



NEW RED CROSS HEAD WELCOMED—Al Clute, left, new chairman of the Douglas County Red Cross Chapter, receives a hearty handshake from V. V. Harpham, outgoing chairman. Clute was selected at the annual chapter meeting Monday.

Loyal Racial Groups, Fine Judicial System Found By Judge Wimberly in Hawaii

That the mixed racial strains of Hawaii "get along in absolute harmony" was impressed on Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly during his recent trip to the islands to study the Hawaiian statehood question for the Senate subcommittee on territories and insular affairs.

Pruning of Budget, Tax Bills Starts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Congressional Republicans moved in with axes today against President Truman's budget, while House Democrats laid plans to do some chopping of their own on the GOP tax reduction bill.

The budget-cutting task was assigned to the 12-man Senate House Committee set up two years ago to clamp a ceiling on federal expenditures.

The tax-pruning job was in the hands of Rep. Doughton (D-N.C.), top minority member of the House Ways and Means committee, which is backing the GOP measure to cut the national tax bill.

Doughton told reporters he has drafted a plan to trim taxes only \$4,000,000,000—but by following the general lines of the Republican legislation rather than the substitute urged by President Truman.

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Hayton Admits Slaying Third Wife

Funds Wasted, She Wasn't Loyal, He Says

Agrees to Lead Officers To Body; Story of Money Cache Lie, He Confesses

MILTON, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Roscoe Lee Hayton confessed early today, Chief of King County Detectives Adam Lyskowski said, that he choked his third wife, Mrs. Ellen Buckingham Coyle Hayton, to death and later buried the body.

The 63-year-old carpenter and retired merchant, a member of a prominent pioneer Skagit County family, made the statement in the presence of Lyskowski and Detective Phil Sands, and later signed a statement in which he described the slaying.

In the signed statement, Hayton said:

"On January 8, 1948, between 9 and 10 A. M., I killed my wife in our home by choking her. About 30 minutes later I put her in my car and drove to —. I think it was about 30 feet off the highway where I laid her on the ground and covered her up with leaves. I took a shovel with me. I also put some dirt over her. I then returned to Seattle."

Information as to the place where Hayton said he disposed of the body was withheld to permit authorities' search without outside interference.

"Double-Crossing" Charged
Hayton said in his statement that he killed his wife because she was "double-crossing me."

"She was squandering my money. We had words as to what she did with the money. I also found two letters where she had been corresponding with men. I also found pictures of these men."

He said the slaying occurred in the bedroom of their Seattle home.

"We were dressing and changing clothes. I put my arms around her, and she slapped me."

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Running Mate Hurry Not Needed, Truman Says

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(AP)—President Truman said today there undoubtedly will be an announcement by someone seeking the Democratic presidential nomination before the July convention, but he sees no need for hurry about it.

He joshed with reporters at a news conference about 1948 politics and said a front-porch campaign is probable. Not once, however, did he come out flatly and say he would be the candidate.

Asked about a proposal of Charles E. Wilson, of General Motors, that the work week be raised to 45 hours, the president said he was sorry to say that Wilson is living in 1890. He added he preferred a proposal by another Charles E. Wilson (of General Electric) who recently cut prices of some G. E. products.

Rosebura Girls Listed In Essay Prize Winners

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Mary Jo Bean, 15-year-old Woodburn farm girl, today was named winner of the \$50 first place prize in the Keen Oregon Green essay, roster and achievement contest. She won second place last year.

Second prizes of \$25 each went to Fred Cummins, Route 1, Woodburn, and George Elder, Joseph.

Third place awards of \$10 went to Frank Wiley, Portland, and to two sisters, Freda and Hilda Swanson, Swishome.

Winners of \$5 prizes included Carola Speckman and Sonia Lander, both Roseburg; Bob Saffor, Veneta; Clara Brinson, Albany; and Margaret Starnes, Shady.

Boys Shoot Gas Station Owner, Flee with \$90

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Police today were hunting for three teen-age boys who wounded an elderly gasoline station owner at Athens in a holdup at 9 o'clock last night and fled with \$90 cash.

A. J. Queener, station owner, is in a hospital with a head wound from the grazing shot. He was not considered critically wounded.

State police said partial descriptions of the boys were obtained, but that it was not known for certain whether they fled in an automobile that might have been parked nearby.

Man Admits Burning Auto To Collect Insurance

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Franklinville man faced an arson charge today after his arrest on an allegation that he burned an automobile to collect insurance.

District Attorney George Neffson said Donald Ray Snellings had signed a statement saying he had removed accessories from the car before he set it on fire. He said the car was insured for \$1,000.

Snellings was held in lieu of \$1,000 bail.

Ev-Rosebura Policeman Joins Coquille Force

COQUILLE, Jan. 22.—Announcement of W. H. Inham, formerly sergeant with the Roseburg Police Department, and Leslie J. Honeyswell, Coquille, to the Coquille police force is announced by Chief R. H. Creech. Inham is a fingerprint expert. Both are assigned to the night shift.

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By L. F. Rasmussen

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Bavaria Strike Order Aims At Food Shortage

Nearly Million Toilers Slated to Quit Tonight In U. S.-Controlled Zone

MUNICH, Germany, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The Bavarian Trade Union Federation called today for a 24-hour walkout of virtually all workers in Bavaria to begin tonight at midnight.

The strike, protesting food shortages, could affect nearly 1,000,000 workers in this American zone state.

About 200,000 workers staged a 24-hour strike yesterday in Nuernberg and Cologne. It was the largest walkout in western Germany since last April.

The strike call will affect such large cities as Munich, Nuernberg, Augsburg, Regensburg, Wuerzburg and Coburg.

Trade union leaders arranged a broadcast to all union members throughout Bavaria, appealing for a strike between midnight Thursday and midnight Friday.

American and British authorities took emergency steps to relieve the food crisis, releasing 5,000 tons of imported fats to boost the ration of 40,000,000 Germans during the coming month.

The strikes of the last two weeks have been directed largely against fat and meat shortages.

Grenade Blasts Hotel

A home-made grenade blew up last night at the Grand Hotel here, headquarters of U. S. war crimes prosecutors.

The explosion, on a dining-room window sill, showered glass on a score of Army officers and lawyers.

Army investigators said only two or three were scratched. Investigators did not connect the blast with hunger demonstrations.

A 24-hour strike began yesterday in key industries involved about 100,000 persons in Nuernberg.

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Prodigy Demands "Fun" To Ease Cloistered Life

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Jacqueline Horner, 15-year-old Hollywood piano prodigy and actress, proposed today to compromise pleasure and the keyboard after an eight-day fling that brought worldliness into her cloistered life.

"I want to have fun and live a normal life," said the girl who ran away from fame and career after a spat with her mother.

She was found here yesterday in a hotel room with Seaman Second Class Wallace Wells, 19, Hood River, Ore., after a nationwide search.

Jacqueline said she was considering going home if she could have more freedom. However—"If I don't get my way in some things, I'll run away again."

Farm Program Opened to Two-Man Partnerships

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The Veterans Administration opened its farm management training program today to two-man farm partnerships.

Hitherto, the program has been limited to one war veteran per farm, the veteran being the owner or having economic control of the farm.

Because of this limitation, brothers who lived on the same farm have had to divide the property if they wished to take G. I. bill on-farm training, which combines classroom instruction with practical farming.

Army Ordnance Blast Jars Parts of 3 States

SAVANNA, Ill., Jan. 22.—(AP)—A violent explosion of 150 tons of anti-tank mines in an underground ammunition dump at the Army's big ordnance depot near here last night shook a wide section of three states and shattered windows in several communities, some 50 miles away. There were no casualties.

Tremors were felt in a 100-mile radius of northwestern Illinois, southern Wisconsin and eastern Iowa following the blast about 9 P. M. which made a hole 100 feet wide and 50 feet deep.

Mayor Forced to Take Part-Time Railroad Job

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Cheyenne's Mayor Ben Nelson disclosed today that he would work part-time at his regular job as a Union Pacific railroad brakeman-conductor.

Pointing to the \$250-a-month salary as mayor which he said was less than he earned at railroad, Nelson called the arrangement "the only way a person of my means could accept the office."

Contributions To March of Dimes Go Past \$3,000

"We've topped \$3,000." That was the standing of the local March of Dimes as given by Del McKay, city chairman, today. Contributions, large and small, have been coming in from the employees of local business houses, clubs, church groups, and other organizations, he said.

Local sports fans will be given the opportunity of contributing, when the girls' twirling corps at Roseburg High School gives a special exhibition between halves at the basketball game Friday. A collection will be taken in the audience as the girls twirl their batons.

A special polio program is scheduled for students at the high school in an assembly Jan. 30, McKay said.

The annual "Mile of Dimes" will be held Saturday morning with the aid of local Boy Scouts. Dimes and other loose change from the pockets of local citizens will be laid on the N. Jackson St. sidewalk, starting in front of the Umpqua Hotel, McKay said.

Contributions to the campaign may be made in city parking meters at any time, he reminded.

All dimes, which are not good for parking and which are dropped into meters by "mistake," will be turned over to the polio fund for the duration of the drive.

Enrollment Hike Factor in Mulling Next School Outlay

Discussion of the possibility of an increase of 400 pupils in the Roseburg schools next year was given by the school board at its regular meeting this week, as a preliminary to its sessions in the spring with the district budget committee. Superintendent of Schools Paul S. Elliott said.

Length of the 1948-49 school year, probable number of teachers, and estimated enrollment were all considered in the discussion, as a preliminary census report indicates there are 3,100 children in the district now, an increase 600 over last year, Elliott said.

Elliott discussed trends in salaries in the educational field, as brought in the recent conference of superintendents of first class districts at Portland. Teachers' salaries generally are being increased to meet the rising costs of living, he said.

Alva Laws, principal of the Senior High School, was authorized to attend the State Department of Education conference at Salem Jan. 26, called for the purpose of giving instructions for automobile driving courses. This course is being offered at Roseburg High School this year with the use of a dual-control automobile donated by the Hansen Motor Co., Elliott said.

A delegation from Benson school, including Principal Earl Ladd, and Perry Thiel and Don Reed of the P.T. A., agreed to furnish information on the cost of enclosing a portion of the Benson playground for use as a basketball court.

Names Being Drawn For Circuit Court Jury Duty

Chance for service on Circuit Court juries in the coming year await 300 citizens, whose names are being drawn from poll books this week by County Commissioners H. B. Roadman and Lynn V. Beckley.

From the list of 300 names selected by the commissioners, a panel of 31 names will be drawn by County Clerk Roy Agee prior to the February, May, and November terms of court.

The commissioners try to select the names of persons they know would be good jurors, they said. Names are drawn from all parts of the county. Although there are no qualifications for jury service, one commissioner commented, "We do excuse all persons over 70 from service."

Meat Prices Slump In War Over New Market

ST. HELENS, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Hamburgers at one pound free to a customer today, picnic hams were listed at 45 cents a pound and beef roasts at 39.

This stab at the high cost of living wasn't expected to continue, however—it was a price war which followed opening a new market.

When the new market listed hamburger at 35 cents—a 10-cent slash—another put its price at 29 and a third came out with the offer of one pound free to a customer. Other meats were priced down too, but still required cash.

There was no hint how long the customers would be profiting.

Russian Drive Portends War, Bevin Warns

LONDON, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Foreign Secretary Bevin said today Soviet Russia is making a ruthless drive to dominate Europe and that he believed continuance of this policy by any one power will lead to another war.

"If the policy is pursued of trying to dominate Europe by any one power, by whatever means, direct or indirect," Bevin said, "we are driven to the conclusion that it will inevitably lead again to another war."

Bevin said Russia's reaction to the Marshall plan has unmasked her desire to control Western as well as Eastern Europe.

"The Marshall program has brought to light vividly what must have been under the surface all along," he asserted.

Nevertheless he emphasized British eagerness to cooperate with the Soviets, saying:

"It is madness to think of anything else if we are ever going to have peace."

"But the British government cannot agree to four-power cooperation while one of those four powers continues to impose its political and economic system on the smaller states."

Evolution of the Yalta decisions, Bevin told the House of Commons, "reveals a policy on the part of the Soviet Union to use every means in their power to get Communist control of Eastern Europe and, as it now appears, in the West as well."

"We have seen the game played out in Poland, Bulgaria, Hungary and more recently in Romania and, from information in our possession, other attempts may be made elsewhere," he said.

"Yet all the evidence is that she is not satisfied with this tremendous expansion."

"It has been quite clear, I think, that the Communist process goes ruthlessly on in each country. It therefore matters little how we temporize and maybe appease, and try to make arrangements."

Strike Halts Coal Output In Kentucky County

PAINTSVILLE, Ky., Jan. 22.—(AP)—An estimated two thousand miners, both union and non-union, were idle in Johnson County today and the movement of coal had stopped following action of United Mine Workers in declaring a "holiday" to protest non-union truck mines and coal loading ramps.

The county's 40 truck mines and 11 ramps remained shut down, and one ramp operator neglected the work stoppage would be a long one.

Church Gains \$5,000 By Cat Beneficiary's Death

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Herman, a blue Persian cat, lost out on a \$5,000 legacy.

He died before his mistress, Mrs. Ellen Smith.

The widow will get the \$5,000 and the rest of her estate — another \$5,000 — to the Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Smith died last week. The church will get the whole \$10,000.

More Highway Connections With Rest of Oregon Asked By Coos at Legislative Hearing

COQUILLE, Jan. 22.—(AP)—A complaint that this Southern Oregon coastal region is the neglected stepchild of the state was placed before the legislature's interim committee on highways today.

The Coos County Highway Council declared this important lumber region is isolated and neglected, and asked for more highways linking it to the rest of Oregon.

The council proposed immediate completion of the Coos Bay-Coquille highway; development of roads to beach areas; a new high speed highway from Coos Bay to Roseburg; a secondary highway up Coos River to Umpqua Highway 38; reconstruction of the Powers Highway; improvement of the Coquille-Argo-Myrtle Point Highway; improvement of the Coos Bay-Redwood section of the Coast Highway.

Today's hearing was the last the interim committee will conduct this month. Other hearings, to find what the different parts of Oregon want in road development, will be held later.

Douglas County Group on Hand To Present Community Needs

Members of the Douglas County Court, representatives from the Chamber of Commerce, and city officials spent today in Coquille attending a public hearing called by the legislative interim committee studying state highway needs.

A uniform set of proposals and recommendations will be presented with only one exception. The County Court expresses its "elf" "unalterably" opposed to bond issues for highway purposes. The Chamber of Commerce, on the other hand, will recommend bond issues only if necessary for earliest completion of highway reconstruction, with the added suggestion that bonds be paid from highway revenues.

The County Court, Chamber of Commerce and a Redwood delegation will join in recommending improvement of the Sutherland-Eliot road and Drain-Redwood road for commercial purposes, to provide an outlet for heavy overland carloads to deep water harbors at Redwood and Coos Bay. The city's highway needs will be submitted by City Manager M. W. Slankard.

Captured Documents Show Hitler Eventually Ended Agreement By Refusing to Pay Russia's Price

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The United States uncorked a major propaganda blow against Russia today by officially revealing a Soviet offer in 1940 to join the German-Italian-Japanese Axis at a price Adolf Hitler refused to pay.

Already the government's information mouthpiece to the world, the "Voice of America" shortwave radio, is pouring into Russia and the rest of Europe the factual story told in a fat volume of long-secret German foreign office records suddenly published by the State Department.

AFL Chief Gives Production Plan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(AP)—AFL President William Green proposed today management and labor voluntarily set up a 45-hour work week on an overtime pay basis as a means of producing more goods and helping to beat inflation.

The 74-year-old labor leader told the Senate Banking Committee that labor would consider the extra work hours if Congress, in turn, would approve an effective means of halting the price spiral.

This would include most of the 10-point anti-inflation program recommended to congress by President Truman, except standstill authority to control wages, Green said.

Green suggested an extra hour of work a day. He told a reporter that this would mean an increase from the present 40-hour-work week in most industries to 45 hours, with labor receiving time and one half pay for the extra five hours.

"I offer this suggestion as a practical recommendation of the ways in which employers and workers could jointly make a contribution to the anti-inflation fight," Green said.

He estimated that 16,000,000 workers now employed in manufacturing would provide an additional 8,000,000 "man-hours of production per day" under his proposal.

State Department officials now give the formal explanation that they changed signals after being pressed with demands from both scholars and correspondents for the documents. They also say that much of the information was gradually leaking out anyway.

Among informed authorities, however, there is no doubt that the personal decision of Secretary of State Marshall for publication now was made in the light of the intensified propaganda campaign which the Soviet Union has been waging against the United States.

These authorities consider it beyond question that the documents would not have been released so long as they had any application to current international politics, in an area of good feeling between America and Russia.

White Wife of GI, Jay Artist Commit Suicide

YOKOHAMA, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The Australian bride of an American Army sergeant and the young artist son of a wealthy Japanese family died Tuesday after taking poison in the shabby railway station of this port city, the U. S. Eighth Army announced today.

The army identified the victims as Mrs. Sylvia Wynn Loran, wife of M. Sgt. Leonard Loran of Olmstead, Wash., and Rokuji Mitsuhashi, 23-year-old mural painter and the son of a former executive in the Mitsubishi Industries.

Notes were left by the couple, an army spokesman said, but he did not divulge their contents.

Loran and his wife were parents of a three-year-old son.

Extortion Attempt on Betty Grable Charred

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Mrs. Jane Bean, 20, was indicted yesterday on charges of extorting an extortion letter through the mail to Actress Betty Grable.

Mrs. Bean, who came here recently from Knapton, Tex., was arrested two weeks ago by FBI agents, who charged she sent a letter threatening to kidnap Miss Grable's seven-month-old daughter, Jane, unless the actress paid \$5,000.

She was held in jail in lieu of \$1,000 bail.

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