

JOHN LEWIS FINED \$20,000 FOR CONTEMPT

Copco Offers
City 2 Pct. Of
Gross RevenueTwenty-Year Renewal
Of Franchise Requested
At City Council Meet

Offering 2 per cent of its annual gross revenues here, the California Oregon Power Co. requested the City Council last night for a 20-year renewal of its power and water franchises, to conform with similar franchises in other cities served by the system. Roseburg would benefit by approximately \$8,000 a year, the council was informed by Dexter Rice, Copco legal counsel, who presented the request. Ten years yet remain on the company's present franchises. However, no provision is made for any payments to the city.

Rice said that the franchise payment is being requested in lieu of any future business or occupational taxes that might be levied by the city. The new franchises would be similar to those granted in Myrtle Creek, Canyonville, and Riddle, which Copco has started to serve during the past year.

Two per cent of Copco's gross revenues in Roseburg would amount to about \$8,000 a year, Rice explained. In the course of the 10 years remaining on the present franchises, the city would derive about \$80,000 revenue, he added.

Council members expressed a favorable reaction to the Copco proposal. They will await presentation of the new franchises.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

HERE of late, the news has been running heavily to jitter news. There is some CONSTRUCTIVE news as this is written.

IN Paris, representatives of 16 European nations and GERMAN'S WESTERN ZONES meet, unanimously adopt and sign an agreement binding themselves into a permanent European organization of ECONOMIC co-operation.

Paris is chosen as permanent headquarters. An Englishman is named president and a Frenchman chosen secretary-general. On the executive committee are representatives from France, Britain, Italy, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, Turkey and The Netherlands.

Note particularly the inclusion of Sweden and Switzerland. For generations, these countries have stood apart from the world, hood their own row and stayed at peace. We don't have to be told they'd like to go on doing so. Recalled drawn up by the company, before repealing the present water

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Kuhn Convicted
As Hitler's Aide

MUNICH, Germany, April 20.—(AP)—Fritz Kuhn, missing former leader of the German-American Bund, was convicted in absentia today by a Bavarian De-Nazification court as a major Nazi offender.

The 51-year-old German was sentenced to serve 10 years in labor camp if he is ever found. He escaped from an internment camp at Dachau last Feb. 4.

The German court reached its verdict after a five-hour trial made conspicuous by the absence of not only Kuhn but also of his lawyer and witnesses.

The trial was carried out entirely by the presentation of documents which purported to show that Kuhn had close ties with Hitler's third German Reich and that he had tried to transplant its ideology into the United States.

For his activities in the United States, Kuhn got into trouble and was convicted of embezzling the funds of his own Bund.

Then he was deported to his native Munich.

Man Kills Himself At
Phone Conversation

PUYALLUP, April 20.—(AP)—Coroner Paul Mellinger told today that Eugene Bock, 29, shot and fatally wounded himself yesterday while talking to a friend of his wife from a drug store telephone booth.

The coroner said he was told by Puyallup police that Bock entered the booth during the noon hour and called the home of Mrs. Evelyn Ugh where he knew his wife was visiting. When Mrs. Ugh said Bock had just left, he replied:

"Well, you might as well hear this as anyone."

Then Mrs. Ugh heard the pistol shot over the telephone. Bock died in Pierce county hospital 90 minutes later.

The Weather

Cloudy with rain late tonight
and Wednesday.

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Anti-Red Lead in Italy Mounts

Commies Lose
Even Their
North BastionChristian Demos Given
Half of Total Vote, Plus
Welter of Small Units

ROME, April 20.—(AP)—Returns from three-fourths of Italy's senatorial districts today gave the American-backed Christian Democratic party almost half the total vote in the crucial election battle between Russia and the West.

Early returns on the Chamber of Deputies indicated a similar crushing defeat for the Communists. The returns raised the possibility that the anti-Communists had seized undisputed control of both houses of the new parliament.

The interior ministry's tabulations on the Senate vote, counted first, gave the Christian Democrats 8,171,569, or 47.4 per cent of the vote. The popular front coalition of Communist and left-wing Socialists got 5,382,976 votes, or 31.3 per cent.

Returns from 4,478 of 41,525 sections in the vote for the chamber gave the Christian Democrats 2,131,608; the front, 936,207, and the anti-Communist Socialists, 269,393.

The votes for minor parties swelled the anti-Communist total. Premier's Dreams Surpassed

Alcide De Gasperi, Italy's Christian Democratic premier, said the returns were beyond his fondest dreams.

The returns were running steadily at two to one against the Communist popular front.

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Lawson to Appeal
Contempt Verdict

WASHINGTON, April 20.—(AP)—Hollywood Writer John Howar and Lawson today planned an appeal from his conviction on contempt of Congress charges.

A federal court jury took two hours and 15 minutes to reach its verdict yesterday.

The jury found the 53-year-old author of such films as "Smash-up" and "Blockade" guilty of contempt for refusing to tell the House committee on Un-American Activities last October if he was a Communist.

Lawson's attorneys argued at the trial that he hadn't refused to answer the question. They said he was in the midst of answering it "in his own way" when Committee Chairman J. Parnell Thomas ordered him removed from the witness chair.

Lawson is the first of ten Hollywood figures to be tried on the contempt charges. All are accused of failing to answer when asked: "Are you now or have you ever been a member of the Communist party?"

Arkansas Court Reverses
Self on Divorce Voiding

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 20.—(AP)—The Arkansas Supreme Court yesterday legalized an estimated 1,753 divorces it previously had invalidated.

At the same time the court declared that it had erred in ruling that the lower court which granted the divorces did not exist.

The decisions were contained in a 5-2 opinion reversing the court's Jan. 12 holding that a special division of a chancery court here was unconstitutional and that its actions were without color of law.

Costa Rican Rebels
End War in Triumph

(By the Associated Press)
In Costa Rica, rebel leaders rushed couriers to their forces to stop further bloodshed. The rebels ratified an agreement with the government aimed at settling Costa Rica's civil war, and the insurgents appeared to be the victors. The agreement provides that Third Vice-President Santos Berrea will be interim president until May 8, when it is believed a constitution-forming assembly will be called.

Bullet in Vet's Stomach
Emerges From His Leg

CHICAGO, April 20.—(AP)—Ten days before the 1918 Armistice, Pvt. Fred Kaddatz was shot in the abdomen. The bullet was not extracted, but Kaddatz was sent home from France, his wound healed.

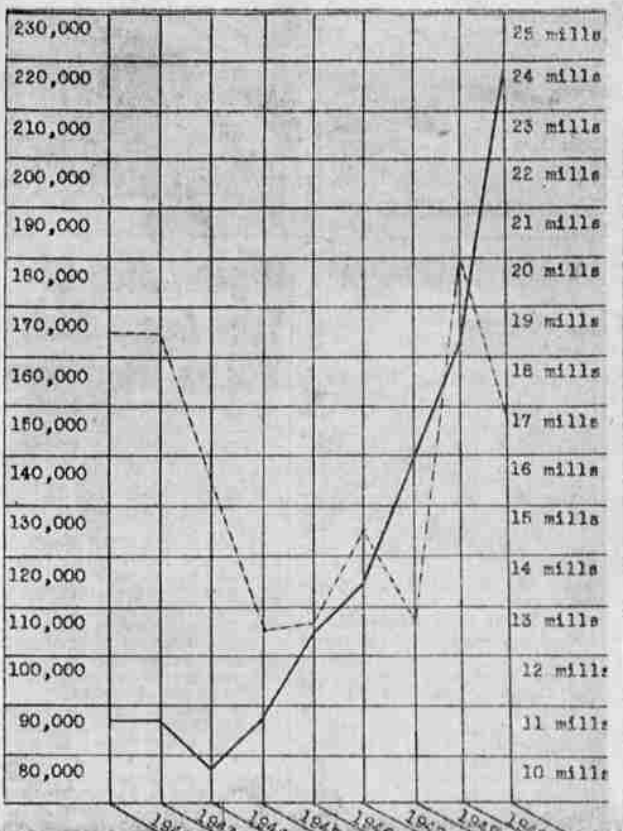
Sunday night, Kaddatz, now 54, noticed a lump on his leg as he prepared to take a bath. He scratched the skin off and lifted the 30-year-old bullet from his body.

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Proposed Higher City Budget,
With Lower Tax Rate, Told By
Manager Slankard at Forum

BUDGETS, TAX LEVIES COMPARED—The chart above compares the size of city budgets each year with the tax levy, from 1942 through the 1948-49 fiscal year. Solid line and the figures in the left-hand column indicate the budget. The broken line and the figures in the right-hand column indicate the millage rate. Chart was prepared by City Manager M. W. Slankard for use in a speech before the Chamber of Commerce Monday.

A population of 16,000 was used as the basis for preparation of Roseburg's proposed 1948-49 city budget, City Manager M. W. Slankard told his audience at the Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon, Monday noon at the Umpqua Hotel.

"If we didn't have a large suburban area," Slankard said, "we wouldn't have to sweep the streets as often. We wouldn't have to maintain as large a police department as we do."

Eight Arrested On
Gambling Charges

Four of eight persons arrested in an anti-gambling raid, Saturday night, were arraigned Monday in the Justice Court. They delayed entering pleas.

The raid was the first to be made upon a local card room by the city police. The officers were led by Chief of Police Calvin H. Baird, who arrested the men as they allegedly were playing a game of stud poker.

Defendants arraigned Monday included: Melvin Otto Jones, 41, Little River Rd.; Glade; David L. McStott, 67, 116 W. Mosher St.; Eric Ernest Johnson, 54, Roseburg, and Ellsworth Pearson Martin, 46, 1020 Military St.

Others arrested in the raid, as named by Chief Baird, included: Clarence Edward Shroat, 30, Roseburg; Stuart Robinson Burbee, 33, 746 Short St.; Emmitt Carl Siems, 47, Idey Rd.; and Howard Fay Johnson, 44, 132 S. Pine St.

All eight men posted \$500 bail each in the Justice Court. Charges against the men state that they engaged in a game of stud poker, "played with cards, chips, and other devices for money and other representatives of value."

The four defendants who did not appear for arraignment had not been notified of the hearing. They were expected to appear today, Justice Hartfield said. The four who were arraigned are to enter their pleas today.

Interwoven Curse Causes
Thief to Return Rug

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., April 20.—(AP)—A thief who took an Oriental rug with a curse woven into it was apparently either superstitious or else has had enough of the curse.

The rug, made 134 years ago in Afghanistan, was stolen from a department store here in February. At that time the owner warned that its Arabic lettering read: "I am Hajj. Whoever has me unauthorized shall have tragedy."

Yesterday it was mysteriously returned. It was found unwrapped, thrust under a carpet display in the store.

Dewey to Talk
In Oregon For
Vote of G. O. P.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 20.—(AP)—Governor Thomas E. Dewey announced today he would campaign for the Republican presidential nomination in Oregon for at least 10 days, beginning with a speech in Portland May 1.

Dewey will fly from New York City to Portland on April 30 and arrive several hours before he is scheduled to address the annual convention of the Oregon State Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Dewey also announced that he would visit some other states in the Pacific Northwest. He will not go into California, however. His practice has been not to invade a state that has a strong favorite son candidate.

Governor Earl Warren of California is one of the five favored candidates for the GOP presidential nomination.

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City Gets Offer
For Fire Truck

An offer for the purchase of "the Stutz," the city's oldest fire truck, has been received from the City of Riddle, Ore. Fire Chief Glenn H. Taylor informed the City Council Monday night.

Taylor suggested the city sell the truck for \$3,500 and put the money in a sinking fund for a new ladder truck.

He said the fire department's longest ladder is only 40 feet. Should a serious fire occur in one of the hotels, he pointed out, a ladder truck would be needed in rescuing people trapped on upper stories, where shorter ladders would not reach.

Councilman W. J. Adair, chairman of the City Fire Commission, said the city would not consider selling the truck until it had learned how fire insurance rates would be affected locally.

Taylor said that Riddle now has only a hose cart for fire protection. Plans are being considered there for the organization of a fire department.

Cops-Robbers Game Lands
Boys in Hands of Law

HAGERSTOWN, Md., April 20.—(AP)—Four youngsters "scares the daylight" out of motorists with a realistic game of cops and robbers here, but were seized themselves when sheriff's deputies played more realistically still.

Sheriff Joseph D. Baker said the teen-aged boys planted a suitcase in the road to stop curious motorists, and would jump out of ambush brandishing toy pistols. But they quickly surrendered when a motorist's complaint led deputies to fire at them.

They were released yesterday with reprimands.

New Zealand Wool Sells
For Record 86 Cts. Pound

DUNEDIN, New Zealand, April 20.—(AP)—A record price of 86 cents a pound for New Zealand wool was paid at the Dunedin auctions yesterday.

The wool was quarterbred Merino and went to French buyers.

Traders said all types of fine wool were finding a ready market in continental buyers.

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TO GIVE RICHES AWAY — Herman R. Schultz (above), 75, wealthy Le Mars, Ia., bachelor farmer, who announced he would give away \$1,000,000 worth of property to friends and relatives, is hearing from a lot of people who want part of it. Schultz will retain enough of his wealth to live comfortably. (AP Wirephoto)

ERP Allotments
Listed by Hoffman

WASHINGTON, April 20.—(AP)—Britain is due for a \$1,324,300,000 slice of the \$5,300,000,000 European Recovery Program, Congress learned today.

The next biggest aid allotments, all of them tentative, are: \$1,130,800,000 to France, \$703,600,000 to Italy, \$599,600,000 to The Netherlands and \$437,400,000 to the U. S.-British zones of western Germany.

In translating the dollars into things, western Europe needs most to regain its economic feet, the recovery program planners expect to spend \$957,200,000 for grain, \$511,300,000 for cotton, \$379,800,000 for petroleum and \$110,200,000 for tobacco.

These and many other long secret figures were submitted to the House Appropriations Committee by Paul G. Hoffman, economic aid administrator.

They were made public by the committee as it summoned Hoffman to a closed door session to determine how much money Congress should make available for the actual operation of the program.

In passing the European recovery act earlier this month, the lawmakers simply gave the go-ahead signal, leaving the issue of funds to be decided later.

Buzzing Flier Fined
For Scalping Farmer

FOSSIL, Ore., April 20.—(AP)—Pilot Frank Coffmann has paid a \$400 fine on a charge of flying so low that he scalped a farmer.

The victim, William Beasley, told Justice Court that it took 17 stitches to sew his scalp in place.

He said Coffmann skimmed a potato field in which he was working and a wing of the plane struck his head.

Mine Workers Draw Fine Of
\$1,400,000; Recommendation
Saves Lewis From Jail Term

WASHINGTON, April 20.—(AP)—John L. Lewis today was fined \$20,000 and his United Mine Workers \$1,400,000 for contempt of a court's stop-strike order.

Judge T. Alan Goldsborough accepted a government recommendation for those fines, but said it had been his own inclination to send Lewis to jail.

The fines are just double what the UMW chief and his miners had to pay after they similarly were found guilty in 1946 of contempt for ignoring a court's stop-strike order.

Then Goldsborough fined Lewis \$10,000 and the union \$3,500,000, but the Supreme Court cut the union's fine to \$700,000.

The fines Goldsborough imposed today were only for criminal contempt. The judge granted a government motion to consider a penalty for civil contempt against Lewis and the union on Friday.

Lewis and the union each were held guilty by the judge yesterday of both civil and criminal contempt.

Assistant Attorney General Graham Morrison told reporters after the court hearing that the reason for delaying the civil contempt sentencing until Friday was to exercise a club over Lewis and the union to get all the miners back to work.

He said another heavy fine—and even a jail penalty against Lewis—is possible if all the miners are not back at work by that time.

"The idea is to provide time to see what they will do by Friday," Morrison said.

Asked specifically if the Justice Department may recommend jail for Lewis if part of the miners are still out Friday, Morrison said:

"We might."

During the entire court proceedings, Lewis sat stolidly, with scarcely a single motion.

Once or twice his heavy jaws twitched.

In civil contempt, penalties are usually based on damages done. So penalties are often fixed to increase if damages continue.

This might result in Goldsborough's imposing a daily penalty in event the miners do not work in protest against the criminal contempt fines.

Many were out of the mines today, waiting to see the outcome of the case.

Notice of Appeal Filed
Lewis' attorney, Welly K. Hopkins, filed notice of intention to appeal the contempt conviction.

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City Park Fence
Bids Will be Asked

Need for the installation of a steel fence around the city-leased Umpqua Park at the County Fairgrounds was explained to the City Council last night by Councilman Percy Croft, chairman of the Park Commission, who said a bid call would be made for the expenditure. Estimated cost is \$2,200.

Croft advised that no expenditures have been made for the fence as yet. Only a tentative bid has been received. Other bids will be sought before a start is made on the project.

He said that the fence is necessary "to control the park grounds." Protection would be given areas seeded for grass and the installation of irrigation equipment. Unless the fence is installed, he pointed out, "we might as well give the park back to the county."

City Manager M. W. Slankard said a factory bid of \$2,012.70 has been received for the fence. Councilman George E. West said preference should be given to local concerns offering bids on the fence.

Prisoner Returned To
Answer Money Charge

Wanted here for allegedly obtaining money under false pretenses, Sanford Edward Malone, 41, was returned to Roseburg from Stockton, Calif., Sunday by State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell and Deputy Sheriff Dick Baker.

Sheriff O. T. Carter said that while Malone was employed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. in its coaxial cable operations, recently, he collected mail at the Roseburg post office for the forwarding of the company's camp at Canyonville.

He allegedly cashed payroll checks contained in the mail, presenting them for payment to local merchants, Carter said. He was picked up at Stockton last week on vagrancy charges and held for Douglas County authorities, the sheriff added.

Burner to be Installed
At Sutherland Lumber Mill

Western States Lumber Co. at Sutherland closed down operations this week during the construction of a new burner at the mill. A permit for erection of the burner was issued by William A. Crowell, city recorder at Sutherland.

Foundation work on the burner is expected to start April 22. The burner will be standard type, 40 feet high, with double screen toppling. Foundations will be of concrete, with natural draft tunnels.

The Alcorn Construction Co. of Eugene, which recently completed a burner at Yoncalla, is the general contractor for the Sutherland project. The Western States mill is expected to resume operations May 19.

Joseph Harris Appointed
To City Police Force

Appointment of Joseph Harris, veteran of the recent war, to a position on the police force was approved by the City Council. Harris resides outside the city limits and his appointment was submitted for council approval as a matter of routine.

An application for a package liquor license submitted by E. L. Simpson of the Mill Street Store, 805 S. Mill St., was turned over to the police committee for investigation.

Truman Recalls Notice
Of Five Nominations

WASHINGTON, April 20.—(AP)—The White House today announced that President Truman was renominating members of the Atomic Energy Commission for new terms but then recalled the announcement.

There was no immediate explanation for the sudden cancellation of plans to send to the Senate the nominations of Chairman David E. Lilienthal for a new five-year term and his four fellow members for shorter terms.

As first announced by Press Secretary Ross, Mr. Truman was nominating Sumner T. Fike for a new four-year term, Lewis L. Strauss for three years; William W. Waymack for two years and Robert F. Bacher for one year.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Retzenstein

The election result in Italy is beginning to arouse Communist barking from other countries. "Beyond the yelps lies Italy."



SHARP-EARED, SHARP-EYED YOUNGSTERS LEADS FBI TO THEIR MAN—These four youngsters led the FBI to a kidnaper in Hillsboro, Ore. They are (left to right) Navarre Smith, 14; Bernice Virgin and sister, Pauline, and Allaire Gronmark. Pauline, 12, heard clues on a radio program identifying John Harvey Bugg, wanted for kidnapping a Missouri sheriff in Tulsa, Okla. One clue was the word "love" tattooed on fingers of left hand, a letter to each finger. Pauline saw a man with fingers taped at a riding academy, got an evasive answer when she questioned him. With the other youngsters, she notified the FBI. (INEA Telephoto)