

Election Dated At Drain on Issue Of School Bonds

Special election for the purpose of voting on a bond issue to finance construction of an additional school building at Drain has been set by School District No. 22. The proposed new building would house increased enrollments at Drain.

During the past two years the growth of Drain and vicinity has been much greater than the average growth for the entire state, the Drain Enterprise reported. In order to meet state school standardization requirements, the new building is considered necessary, it was stated. To construct and furnish the building and to install a central heating unit for all the grade school buildings and to purchase the necessary ground for the new construction will require the sum of \$84,000.

The election will be held at the Drain school house Monday, June 14, between 2 p. m. and 7 p. m.

Pending the election, the board has obtained an option on the Dennis Lovelace property south of the present school building at Drain to add to the school grounds to make room for present construction.

Driving Caution Over Memorial Holiday Urged

A special plea for safe and careful driving was issued today by Secretary of State Newberry to motorists planning Memorial weekend outings.

The secretary warned that the three-day holiday with its heavy vehicle mileage will be marred by deaths and injuries unless drivers make it their business to prevent accidents. He emphasized the danger of speed, which normally contributes to two out of five mishaps and increases in importance as traffic volumes grow.

Pointing to the highway as the danger area, Newberry declared that while an urban accident has about one chance in 100 of bringing death, the same accident in rural areas is ten times as dangerous, with a fatality ratio of about one in fifty.

"We can make our holiday pay dividends in pleasure and in lives saved by careful, heads-up driving all the way," Newberry said. "Get an early start, take it easy, and above all, don't drink while you're on the road."

Second Walnut Spraying Advised

Walnut growers are advised to apply the second (late bloom) spray for the control of walnut blight immediately, according to J. Roland Parker, county agricultural agent. The blight is spread by rains and satisfactory control can only be secured when spraying or dusting is timed to give maximum protection against infection of the young nuts.

A Bordeaux mixture 4-2-100 (4 pounds of copper sulphate, 2 pounds of quick lime or 21 pounds of hydrated lime, 100 gallons of water) is recommended for general use. Where dusting is applied for control, a 20 percent monohydrated copper sulphate dust should be used at 7-day intervals.



By PAUL JENKINS

I SAW Crater Lake a few days ago as great fleecy clouds piled above the southeast rim and a brilliant sun brightened and warmed the snowy scene.

For some reason I couldn't fathom, the lake wasn't as blue as often I've seen it. Its color, as of course you know, usually is the first thing to impress a visitor. Apparently no one ever expects it to be as blue as it is pictured.

Evidently it thus impressed the first white man to behold it—its discoverer. He was an old prospector whose curiosity as to what lay beyond the great rim he so unsuspectingly had come upon got the better of him and he painstakingly scrambled up the long, steep ascent. As he topped the last hard climb he dashed the sweat from his eyes and the glory of the great lake lying below gripped him and held him spellbound. At last he expelled a great sigh and exclaimed reverently "By Jove, it's just as blue as the pictures!"

Marshal Jan Smuts Resigns As Premier of South Africa Following Defeat at Polls

CAPETOWN, Union of South Africa, May 28. — (P) — Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts resigned today as prime minister. His party had lost the election Tuesday to the Nationalist-Afrikaner combine which favors cutting ties with the British Commonwealth.

Dr. Daniel Francois Malan, outspoken isolationist, will form a new government. His nationalist party favors segregating the natives and developing South African minerals under state control.

Malan, 74 and a former Dutch Reformed Church clergyman, was flying from Capetown to Pretoria, the capital.

Smuts, a mighty voice in British councils and long an advocate of close ties with Britain, commented:

"These things happen. What is to be will be."

Smuts observed his 78th birthday last Monday. He was reported planning to retire to his farm at Doornkloof. Defeated even for his own seat in parliament, he was said to have refused five offers to run in "safe" districts. Smuts had been prime minister since 1939 and, earlier, between 1919-1924.

Blow to Britain
The nationalist victory had grave implication for the British empire. The nationalists demanded neutrality when the war started and agitated for a separate peace several times while the fighting was on.

(South African shares fell on the London stock market. Lord Beaverbrook's Evening Standard

said "this is a grave hour for the empire.")
The election was fought fundamentally on the color issue. There is not a single English-speaking member in the nationalist or Afrikaner parties.

Final returns gave the nationalist-Afrikaner coalition 79 out of the 153 seats in parliament. Smuts' United party won 65.

Dams Project Faces Battle

PORTLAND, May 28. — (P) — Petitions opposing development of the Rogue River basin were in circulation here today.

The Multnomah Anglers and Hunters club were circulating them here, and the Isaac Walton League said its upstate chapters also would circulate them.

They oppose the Bureau of Reclamation's plan for developing the basin on the ground one of the west's best steelhead and salmon streams would be ruined for sportsmen.

The petitions are to be presented at a public hearing called by the bureau at Medford, June 8. Under discussion at the meeting will be alternate plans for basin development.

One would call for construction of 16 dams in the Rogue and its tributaries. The other proposes 17 dams. A supplemental program suggests seven dams in the lower Rogue and Illinois River.

Chicago U. Chancellor's Wife Seeks Divorce

CHICAGO, May 28. — (P) — Mrs. Maude Phelps Hutchins, wife of Robert Mavnard Hutchins, chancellor of the University of Chicago, filed suit for divorce yesterday charging desertion.

She asked custody of their two minor children and alimony and support.

The couple's three children are Frances, 22; Joanne, 12, and Clarissa, 6.

Mrs. Hutchins, sculptor and writer, has been living apart from the chancellor for more than a year. He has been staying at a south side hotel, while she has lived at the "chancellor's house" of the University.

Hutchins was dean of the Yale Law School in 1928 at the age of 29 and president of the University of Chicago at the age of 30.

Request for Dump Ground Rejected By County Court

Question of obtaining a garbage dump for the North Douglas County area was discussed in a joint meeting of the Drain and Yoncalla city councils with County Commissioner Lynn V. Beckley Tuesday.

Beckley stated that the county's refusal to obtain a location for a dump for Drain and Yoncalla was because the county would then have to furnish sites for other communities for dumping grounds.

The question recently came up, because the county had closed a dump near Drain where garbage from that city was disposed of. Beckley explained that the reason for the closure was because garbage was being dumped directly from a county road. Part of the refuse remained on the road after dumping.

Request for county aid in purchasing a dump ground at Drain was turned down at a meeting of the county budget committee last week.

At the meeting in Drain this week, Beckley "admitted" that Myrtle Creek is dumping garbage in the South Umpqua River for lack of a proper location and that

the garbage floats down to Roseburg.

It was decided by the Drain and Yoncalla officials that the City of Drain would finance the purchase of a dumping ground, if one can be found, and that the county would grade and gravel a road to the site.

Self-Confessed Yegg Trio Jailed in California

FRESNO, Calif., May 28. — (P) — Three men suspected of robberies in the Middle West and East are in jail here.

Officers identified them as Billy J. Williams, 26, Tulsa, Okla.; Ralph L. Bowman, 41, Pueblo, Colo.; H. A. Cooker, 44, Portland, Ore.

They were booked on a charge of having \$3,500 in stolen government bonds in their possession, a part of which allegedly was taken in safe-cracking in San Bernardino.

Agent L. I. Gopadze of the U. S. secret service, said the men admitted safe-cracking and burglaries during the past four years.

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Discontinuance Of 'Voice of America' Urged on Congress

WASHINGTON, May 28. — (P) — Discontinuance of the "Voice of America," or at least "breather" in its world broadcasts, was proposed today by Rep. Chenoweth (R-Colo.).

Chenoweth made this suggestion as four investigating groups—one ordered by President Truman—began digging into the rumormongering broadcasts which congressmen say have slandered the United States. The first to begin hearings is a House expenditures subcommittee headed by Chenoweth.

George V. Allen, assistant secretary of state, had just testified to the committee that the present broadcasts are "inadequate" and that tighter supervision is necessary.

General direction of the short wave "Voice of America" broadcasts to foreign nations is under the State Department. But the programs which stirred up Congress were prepared and handled by the National Broadcasting Company under a contract with the department.

Chenoweth told Allen: "Nothing can be worse than what is going on now. Some members of Congress suspect this program has been very harmful to this country."

Allen said that "to discontinue the Voice of America would be tragic." He said short wave radio is the only means of penetrating behind the iron curtain.

Two Senate groups also are investigating, but will pool their efforts.

Latin American "Disgusted"
Chenoweth said a South American visitor told him the people in Latin America are "disgusted" and think the programs should be stopped.

Rep. Manasco (D-Ala.) asked if the State Department is investigating the possibility that script writers are deliberately trying to "sabotage" the Voice of America programs.

"Yes, quite extensively," Allen replied.

Allen read a letter he said he received this morning from Rene Borgia, former NBC writer who prepared the scripts for the broadcasts.

The letter said: "I am the person who wrote the scripts. They may be silly and undignified but they are not insulting to United States because nobody could force me to say anything against the United States."

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Woman's Place In Home? Here's Few Ideas on Subject

PORTLAND, May 28. — (P) — The women who don't stay there agreed heartily today that woman's place is in the home.

Clubwomen from across the nation went right along with their capers in saying a woman's home should come first. But that, they added, doesn't mean she ought to be glued to it.

"No one ought to leave the dishes unwashed and the family untended," said Mrs. Amer C. Stolp, Marysville, Calif. "But if you use some intelligence, you can do that and your club work, too."

Delegates here for the general federation of Women's Clubs convention agreed today that all those cartoons of a clubwoman ploughing a furrow of tactlessness through her community make them see pink.

Not red. They don't consider the lampooning important enough for that.

"Let them laugh at us if they have fun laughing," said Mrs. C. M. Tower, Denver, cheerfully. "We just go on with our work. Though I think men's habit of making fun of women's clubs keeps some wives from going into it."

"You do?" asked Mrs. Edwin S. Smith, La Mesa, Calif. She looked surprised. "Oh, I don't think wives pay much attention any more to what their husbands say. They're emancipated."

But a lot of the emancipated ladies had engineered the emancipation.

"It takes time and thought to keep club work from interfering with your home life," said Mrs. Thomas H. Richards, Chico, Calif. "Now when I get home from this convention, I'll let my husband tell me all about what he's been doing first. It may be the next day before I get around to saying what I've done."

"You have," she confided, "to let the man think he's kingpin." The women who've done some of the most important community work in the country agreed that a smart female can bake her cake and eat it at the club meeting, too.

"I think men like women's clubs, really," said red-haired Mrs. Lee Boblitz, Payette, Idaho. "I asked husband once, when I come home so tired I could hardly get the dinner on the table, don't you wish I were a normal, quiet wife that stuck to her house?"

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