

ANTI-POLL TAX BILL TARGET OF TALKFEST



'MISS OREGON'—Joyce Davis, 18, chosen "Miss Oregon of 1948" at Seaside, Oregon, and who will compete in the Atlantic City Miss America contest, is crowned by Jo Ann Amodeo, "Miss Oregon of 1947." Joyce is from Redmond. (AP Wirephoto)

Tri-City To Have Unit Of State Guard

Company B, 186th Infantry, Oregon National Guard, is being organized in the Canyonville, Riddle and Myrtle Creek area, announced Lt. Col. Robert L. Irving of Roseburg.

Federal recognition has been requested and the unit will be inspected Aug. 12 by a representative of the Sixth Army at San Francisco.

Twenty-six men and three officers have been signed for the unit. Second Lt. Robert J. Lilly of Riddle has been appointed acting company commander. The other officers are Second Lt. Russell C. Sharpe, Canyonville, and Second Lt. William E. Markham, Riddle.

Weekly drills will be held in the Canyonville Rod and Gun Club building at Canyonville until a permanent armory has been completed. Drills will be held Tuesday evenings, with the first drill Aug. 3. Plans are to locate a permanent armory at Tri-City, centrally located between the three towns.

The unit, a rifle company, is allotted seven officers. At present, due to the limit on National Guard strength, 26 men will be the company limit, but it is expected the ceiling will be lifted in a short time and the company will be able to enlist 50 men within the next few months, according to Lt. Col. Irving.

Among the ex-service men signed up are Staff Sgt. Less Pressnell, Canyonville; Sgt. Darrell Bowman, Myrtle Creek; Sgt. Paul Knox and Pfc. George Barnes, both of Riddle.

Manufacturer Slain In Gangland Fashion

CHICAGO, July 29.—(AP)—A single shotgun blast killed Nathan Gumbin, 56, wealthy paper carton manufacturer, in a daylight ambush in a busy South Side street yesterday.

Gumbin's son, Owen, 19, who was riding in his father's car to their home, was not hit by the shot. It was fired by one of two men in a car which pulled up alongside Gumbin's sedan as he slowed for a traffic light.

As police hunted the assassins, they said members of the victim's family could give no motive for the slaying.

The slaying occurred a few hours before Gumbin, who was 56 yesterday, was to have been guest of honor at a birthday party at a night club.

AVOID GHOST TOWN FATE

Sustained Timber Yield Insures Permanence Of Industry, Dr. Peavey Says

No nation that neglects its resources will survive through the years, declared Dr. George W. Peavey, former Oregon State College president, in a talk on "Forestry and Forest Conservation" at the weekly Kiwanis Club meeting Tuesday noon in the Umpqua Hotel.

Nature has given this country resources in greater abundance than any other place on earth, and Americans have gone on exploiting without thought of what may happen next, he said. Now, he added, we have come to a point where we must consider the future.

Timber, stated Dr. Peavey, is the life blood of the Northwest. The production center, he said, has shifted from Tacoma south, until Roseburg now lays claim to being the world's timber capital.

"There is a lot of truth in this statement," said the speaker, "but we must think of the future. What of 25 to 40 years from now? What of Roseburg and Douglas County then?"

Cooperative sustained yield, in the opinion of Dr. Peavey, is the

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Britain May Halt Demobilization

Soviet-West Tension Cited To Commons

Bevin Pins Peace Hopes On Conference Sought By Diplomats in Moscow

(By the Associated Press)
Foreign Secretary Bevin today said the British government is considering a halt in demobilization of its armed forces because of the tension between Russia and the West.

He told a hushed House of Commons a decision will be reached "in a few days."

He held out hope that current diplomatic maneuvers of Britain, the United States and France with Russia might determine whether there is a chance of ending the cold war, hottest at Berlin which the Russians have blockaded for a month by land.

Bevin said the Labor government, in allowing British armed forces to be reduced at the rate of 20,000 a month, had not assumed "that the policy of our war time allies would lead to a situation which might involve the use of force."

"The situation that has now arisen has, of course, compelled us to reexamine the whole position," he said. "I have not given up hope."

U. S. Ambassador W. Bedell Smith meanwhile reached Moscow after talks in London and Berlin. He and the British and French Ambassadors are expected within a few days to sound out Foreign Minister Molotov on the chances of peacefully settling

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Paging Song Writers: U. S. Army Wants Song

NEW YORK, July 29.—(AP)—The Army wants a song. It can't draft one. It can't requisition one. So it's using another system—a contest.

First Army headquarters said yesterday either soldiers or civilians may submit entries.

What is wanted is a song "worthy of becoming an over-all Army song."

All kinds of musical ditties, both published and unpublished, have been kicking around in the Army for a long time now, but none of them meets the requirements.

The new over-all soldier's melody, said the Army, must be "of military character, written in a rhythm and range which can be easily be used for marching and singing."

Truman Gives Senate Batch of Nominations

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(AP)—President Truman today sent nearly two dozen nominations to the Senate in the face of a decision by the Republican leadership not to consider appointments at the extra session.

Most of the nominations were reappointments of United States Attorneys and Marshals. The president, however, also nominated:

George Wadsworth of New York, now ambassador to Iraq, to be ambassador to Turkey; and Edward R. Dudley of New York to be minister to Liberia.

Among the reappointments was that of Ernest Gruening of Alaska as governor of Alaska.

AIMS AT LIVING COSTS

Truman Submits Bill To Congress Asking Power To Put Brakes on Prices

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(AP)—President Truman asked today that Congress give him power to roll back prices on essential cost of living items to the level of prices in November 1947 or the nearest "appropriate period."

Mr. Truman sent Paul Porter, former OPA administrator, to the Capitol with details of what he wants.

The president had asked generally for anti-inflation powers in his message to the special session of Congress.

Porter went before the House Banking committee with the president's proposals prepared in the form of a bill.

The bill proposes also limited powers between now and June 30, 1950:

1. To ration a few products in short supply.
2. Some authority over wages in the manufacture of items put under price control.
3. Restoration of war time controls over consumer credit, such as restraints on installment buying.
4. Direct authority to regulate speculation on commodity exchanges.
5. Authority to regulate bank credit.
6. Strengthening of rent control with the administration to bring de-controlled housing units back under rent ceilings if it deems it necessary.
7. Inventory control of scarce commodities which basically effect the essential industrial production, or the cost of living, and the right to ration them to industries.

Porter told reporters that a separate bill will be sent to Congress proposing the restoration of the war time excess profits taxes.

Even before the program was presented, Republican leaders had declared they would not approve such controls. Some said it would mean a "police state."

The measure Porter presented says price ceilings may be put on when:

1. The commodity is important to the cost of living, or of production.
2. The price has risen or threatens to rise at least 20 per cent above the June 1946 level or

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Birmingham Jail Threat Faced by Senator Taylor

MARION JUNCTION, Ala., July 29.—(AP)—A cheering barbecue crowd heard Police Commissioner "Bull" Connor of Birmingham promise to toss Senator Glen Taylor of Idaho in jail if he returns to Birmingham and causes any more trouble.

Taylor, the vice presidential candidate on Henry Wallace's Progressive Party ticket, was arrested in Birmingham last May after he sought to use a Negro entrance to a building where he was scheduled to speak.

Taylor was fined \$50 and given a 30-day suspended sentence. He said in Philadelphia last week that he planned to return to Birmingham.

"Taylor's got to come back because he appealed his fine to a higher court," Connor declared. "If he doesn't come back, we'll go get him and bring him back."

Connor spoke at the Black Belt Agricultural Experiment Station.

Wife Gets Divorce From Non-Kissing Husband

LOS ANGELES, July 29.—(AP)—Kissing—Mrs. Lorraine Rubin said her husband told her—is unsanitary.

"He told me that, and he didn't kiss me for years," Mrs. Rubin, 32, daughter of late New York importer, Charles Baum, testified in divorce court yesterday.

Her husband, Dr. J. Salem Rubin, 48, demurred.

It was just that she made me psychologically incapable of showing affection because of her conduct," he told the judge.

Dr. Rubin charged his wife gambled away much of her inheritance and once allowed another man to have a key to her home.

Burned-Out Families Turn River Campers

COQUILLE, Ore., July 29.—(AP)—The Howard and Metcalf families are camping out on the Coquille River banks and their nine children think it's great.

The parents—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth J. Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Metcalf—think otherwise.

The house the two families occupied went up in flames Saturday. Before cold weather, they hope to buy another house.

Meanwhile they are in a trailer and three tents with the Coquille River for running water.

Train-Auto Crash Kills Man and Twin Sisters

GERVAIS, Ore., July 29.—(AP)—A pleasure ride ended in death for three persons at a train crossing here last night.

The dead were Robert V. Pilcher, 40, and Joyce and Joan Renitz, 8-year-old twin daughters of Mrs. Marie Renitz. All were from Gervais.

Pilcher had taken the girls for an automobile ride and was returning home when his sedan collided with the Southern Pacific passenger train, the Klamath.

Struck Plant Hums Under Police Guard

Dayton, O., July 29.—(AP)—Pickets marched and shouted "scab" today but no heads were cracked at the strike-bound Univis Lens Co. plant.

With 164 policemen in tight lines on duty, the expected violence did not materialize as the eye glass company reopened its plant for the fourth consecutive day.

A mass picket line representative of all CIO locals in Montgomery County was at the plant. Police Chief Rudolph Wurster reported there were 189 men and women on the moving picket line and about 3,300 spectators at the north side factory.

By 8:15 a. m. police said 431 of the plant's 700 production workers had entered—unmolested but with jeers of "scab" and "skunk" following them to their benches.

Court Order Ignored

Husky Lou Kaplan, international organizer of the striking CIO

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Train Kills Ex-Resident Of Roseburg

John Franklin Whitsett, 80, resident of Roseburg since the age of seven years, was killed by the northbound Southern Pacific Beaver yesterday at 11:50 a. m. at the Harrison street crossing in East Millwaukie. He was reported to be hard of hearing and to have stepped in front of the train as it neared the crossing.

He was visiting his son-in-law and daughter, Chief of Police and Mrs. Herman Delph.

He was born March 21, 1868, at Independence, Mo. He was married to Ida Barker at Glendale in 1893. She preceded him in death in 1912. Mr. Whitsett was manager of the Douglas County Fair for a number of years and worked for the Southern Pacific Co. for a long time. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Surviving are his daughter, Beatrice Delph, Millwaukie, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Roseburg Funeral Home Saturday, July 31, at 11 a. m. Interment will follow in the Oak Creek Cemetery, where he will be placed beside his son and wife.

Chinese Plane Crash Kills All 19 on Board

SHANGHAI, July 29.—(AP)—A civil air transport C-46 crashed shortly after its Tsingtao take-off late today, and all 19 persons aboard were reported killed.

The pilot was Richard E. Tardet of Logan, Utah. He was the only American aboard. The others, besides a Chinese co-pilot, were Chinese soldiers being airlifted to Tsingtao.

Witnesses said the plane went into a spin at 100 feet.

Curious Woman Suffers Possible Rib Fracture

GREENSBURG, Pa., July 29.—(AP)—Mrs. Lorraine Rubin, 65, is hospitalized today because of an understandable curiosity.

When an airplane struck Mrs. Caroline's home yesterday, she wasn't hurt a bit. A few moments later, however, she tripped while running out to see what had happened.

Mrs. Caroline was taken to a hospital with possible rib fractures. The plane pilot, Atlas Greenfield, 47, Evansville, Ind., was taken to the same hospital with cuts and bruises.

Neighbors said the plane first struck some utility poles, then came into Mrs. Caroline's rooftop. Greenfield said he was making a refueling stop and tried to gun his craft into the air after overshooting the runway.

K. G. Martin, Ex-Head Of Oregon Blind School, Dies

PORTLAND, July 29.—(AP)—Kenneth G. Martin, Oregon savings bond director and former head of the Oregon Blind School, died here yesterday at the age of 54.

Born in Eugene, he was reared in Salem. There he established a state high school record for the mile run. He had been in business here many years.



Picture by Sgt. Al Hughes

LOST, FOUND, CONSOLED—All officers of the law are not hard-bitten individuals. This is demonstrated here, as Roseburg Police Chief Calvin Baird attempts to console two-and-a-half-year-old Marvin Schneider, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Schneider of Garden Valley. The child became lost from his mother Tuesday about 2 p.m. at Sheridan and Lane Streets, while his mother was shopping elsewhere. Brought to the Police Station by Officer Baird, the boy continued to shed tears. Even a new ice cream cone bought by the officer to replace the one Marvin had dropped on the street failed at first to quiet the boy. His frantic mother called at the station and got the boy a short time later.

Defiant Yugoslavs Keep Marshal Tito as Premier

BERGRADE, Yugoslavia, July 29.—(AP)—Yugoslav Communists repudiated the Cominform's attacks on their leaders today by electing Premier Marshal Tito and his entire list of candidates to the party's 63-member central committee.

The Cominform—the International Communist Information Bureau—had asked Yugoslav Communists to throw out Tito and his principal lieutenants. The Russian-led organization accused the Yugoslav leader of deviating from the Marxist line and pursuing a hateful policy towards Russia.

Speakers at the party congress said these accusations were false and unjust. Delegates hailed Tito as their "glorious leader."

Rapid Enlistments Cut Possibility of Draft

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(AP)—The Army cheerily said today that if enough men continue to volunteer maybe you won't be drafted after all.

Lt. Gen. William S. Paul, chief of Army personnel, held out that hope to draft-age men in reporting that 18,085 swapped civvies for GI duds during the first two weeks of July. This is more than half the 30,000 monthly average the Army has figured it will need during the next year to boost its strength from 342,000 to 790,000.

Paul noted, however, that three-year enlistments of some 240,000 soldiers are now expiring.

'Garden Spot of World' Sells for \$995 an Acre

LANCASTER, Pa., July 29.—(AP)—A 60-acre farm in Lancaster County, often referred to as the garden spot of the world, sold for \$995 per acre.

"In 32 years as an auctioneer of farm sales, this is the highest price ever paid for a Lancaster County farm of that size in my experience," said Landis Buchen, after knocking down the farm to Amos N. Hoover of Ephrata, Pa., yesterday.

The farm was put on the block by Martin Z. Burkholder. Bidding started at \$825 an acre. The price was run up by two determined bidders.

OREGON NATIONAL GUARD CITES 598 VACANCIES

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Stassen President Of Pennsylvania U

PHILADELPHIA, July 29.—(AP)—The University of Pennsylvania today named Harold E. Stassen as its new president.

Announcement of the nomination of the 41-year-old Minnesota came after a special meeting of the University Board of Trustees. Salary terms were not disclosed.

The former Minnesota governor, who was unsuccessful in his bid for the Republican party's presidential nomination last month, will become the youngest president in the university's history.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

An inquiry into high price of meat has been asked of the Senate. This rates a yawn. The notion needs a remedy for them.

Mississippi Senator Opens Filibuster

Time-Consuming Orator Boon to GOP in Plan To Wind up Session Early

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(AP)—With Senator Stennis (D-Miss.) as lead-off man, Southern Democrats plunged into a Senate talkfest today designed to bar action on anti-poll tax or any other "civil rights" legislation.

It was touched off when Senator Wherry (R-Neb.) moved to take up the House-passed anti-poll tax bill.

Stennis got the floor and challenged the right of Congress to pass the bill. He called it unconstitutional.

The Mississippi senator said he would talk about two hours. For the time being, Southern Democrats were not acknowledging a filibuster. Senator Russell (D-Ga.) said they were just out to make sure the country understands the measure. Russell is generally the Southern fight against the bill.

Stennis told his colleagues the "low political expediency" brought the bill before the Senate. Both Republicans and Democrats, he said, were out to win votes by backing the measure. It is one of the "civil rights" laws asked by President Truman. It also is endorsed in both Democratic and Republican platforms.

It was evident that this filibuster to get consideration of the special Congress session would draw a lot of talk, but probably no action.

The anti-poll tax legislation would outlaw payment of state poll taxes as a requirement for voting in federal elections. It has passed the House.

Compromise Try Fails

For several hours late yesterday it appeared that a "gentleman's agreement" might avert a talkfest on the politically explosive issue. Russell said Southern Democrats would drop their fight if the Republicans would agree to call up only the poll tax repealer this session and (b) change that House-passed bill in a proposed constitutional amendment. Since that would require ratification by 36 of the 48 states, the 11 Southern states, if they stuck together, would need only two more votes to block it.

Wherry, Russell, Senator Taft and other leaders of both the majority party and Dixie Democrats held numerous cloakroom conferences. But all came of saying no agreements had been reached.

"Even if we passed the poll tax we still must consider an amendment repealing it," Wherry said. And Taft, chairman of the GO

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C. J. Grimm, Local Grocer, Passes Away

Claude J. "Curley" Grimm, owner of Grimm's Grocery on Jackson Street and a member of the Roseburg School Board from 1937 to 1947, died Wednesday evening after a short illness.

Born June 30, 1893, in Galeota, Pa., Mr. Grimm came to Roseburg 41 years ago. He attended the Roseburg schools, and in 1916 he was married to Nann Shanks. He worked for a number of years in the Kohlsaat Market and later established his grocery store.

Grimm was a member of Laurel Lodge 13, A. F. & A. M., Roseburg Elks Lodge 326, and Eagles Lodge.

Surviving are his widow, Nannie; a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Gardner and a son, George, both of Roseburg; three brothers, Roy of San Francisco, Irvin of Oakland, Calif., and Harry of Portland; a sister, Mrs. Viola Churchill, Eugene, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Roseburg Funeral Home Saturday, July 31, at 2 p. m. Vault interment will follow in the Masonic Cemetery under the auspices of Laurel Lodge 13, A. F. & A. M.

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