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## Lone Contest May Develop In First Ward

**Councilman Croft May Decide to Race Again; New Entry in Ward 2**

Voters in Roseburg's Ward 1 may have the only contest in the municipal election in November. Petitions in support of two candidates for the ward's two seats on the city council have been filed, while the petition for a third candidate—the incumbent, Percy Croft—may be filled before Saturday's deadline.

City Councilman Frank Ashley was the first to file his petition and acceptance of candidacy Monday. Thomas H. Pargeter, an insurance man, filed his petition and acceptance of candidacy Tuesday, as his first venture into politics. Both are seeking to represent Ward 1.

Mayor Albert G. Flegel announced that he had persuaded City Councilman Croft, who has represented the ward the past 14 years, to reconsider a previous decision not to run and to try for reelection. Petitions in support of Croft are being circulated today.

Croft, however, still has not committed himself to run. He said he might change his mind under persuasion of friends.

**Chester Morgan To Run**

Another new name in local politics is that of Chester C. Morgan, owner of the Roseburg Book Store, for whom a petition was filed Tuesday. Morgan would represent Ward 2, with Henry T.

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### Bucking Horse Injures 21 Persons at Rodeo

PUEBLO, Colo., Aug. 25. —(AP)— Twenty-one persons were injured, three seriously, last night when a bucking horse threw its rider and crashed into the bleacher section at the Colorado State Fairgrounds.

The untamed bronc, named "Bear Cat," leaped over a fence and charged down an aisle of panic stricken spectators after tossing its rider, Chuck Black of Raton, N. M.

Most seriously injured were Lou Pearson, 66, of Pueblo, who suffered an arm fracture and a badly bruised hand; William Kremis, a head injury, and Wanda Davis, 18, who received possible internal injuries.

The injured ranged in age from four years to 76. Black was not injured.

The accident occurred during the first event of the night's rodeo program. After the horse plunged over the fence it regained its footing and trampled over spectators in the front row.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FRANCE'S new secretary of state announces that the new French cabinet has decided to support a plan for "convocation of an international assembly to draft a charter for uniting Western Europe under a federal constitution."

(Stripped of its big words, the idea is to call something like a constitutional convention to figure out a plan for a United States of Western Europe.)

A COUPLE of weeks or so ago, Count Sforza, Italy's current foreign minister, said that in the interest of making such a plan work Italy is ready to take the lead IN ACCEPTING CURTAILMENT OF ITS POLITICAL SOVEREIGNTY.

Again stripping off the big words, Sforza was saying that Italy might be willing to accept

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## Management, Labor Aides Appointed in Campaign For Community Hospital Funds

"Labor and management will work together on a cooperative basis in the Employee Division of the Douglas Community Hospital Building Fund Campaign," General Chairman H. O. Pargeter said today.

He announced that the Employee Division will be under the chairmanship of Roy R. Cummins, secretary-treasurer and production manager of Youngs Bay Lumber Co., Inc., who will represent management. Assisting him as vice-chairmen and representatives of labor will be Frank Ashley, president, Central Labor Council, A. F. of L., Roseburg, and Dick Gilman, publisher of The Douglas Fir.

The campaign to raise $300,000 from public subscription to build a new community-owned hospital, will begin Sept. 15 and continue through Oct. 6.

"Business management and labor are united in this civic undertaking for expansion of hospital facilities in the Douglas County area. Skilled workers must be attracted for our industries, and they must stay here if our area is to continue to grow and prosper. Ability of workers to obtain adequate hospital service is an essential of our progress," Pargeter said.

He added that the principal industry of this area—logging—is a hazardous one and "it is to the future advantage of both labor and management to work jointly throughout the campaign."

The Employee Division, the general chairman said, is a specialized division set up to concentrate on group solicitation of all employes in firms with 25 or more workers. "An internal campaign organization will be set up within these firms, encouraging workers to invest in future health security for themselves and their families through the Douglas Community Hospital program," Pargeter said.

Soliciting of firm and executive gifts will be made through the other divisions of the campaign organization.

### The Weather

Overcast to partly cloudy today with increasing cloudiness Thursday.

Sunset today 8 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:30 a.m.

## 16 Airmen Die In Superfort Crash

### Four Others Badly Hurt At Hickam Field

**Craft Explodes, Burns After Hitting Another, Then Power Substation**

HICKAM FIELD, Hawaii, Aug. 25.—(AP)—Sixteen airmen died last night in the twisted burned wreckage of an Okinawa-bound Superfortress that crashed in one of the islands' worst peacetime air disasters.

Four others were burned seriously.

One of the big bomber's four engines conked out three minutes after it took off from Barber's Point on another leg of its Far Eastern hop from the 98th Bomber Group's base at Spokane, Wash.

The pilot was ordered to land at the Municipal airport, which adjoins Hickam Field.

The Superfort came in at an altitude of 150 feet and missed the Municipal airport. The pilot banked the plane in an attempt to circle and bring it back in but a wing caught a transport plane parked on a Hickam Field taxiway.

The Superfort crashed into a concrete power substation and exploded. The crash put out all of the field's lights momentarily but emergency lights flashed on as firefighters reached the flaming wreckage.

**Injured In Grave Condition**

Witnesses said the four survivors either jumped or were thrown free from the wreckage. They were rushed to Tripler Army General Hospital, where doctors

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**IN ABORTION MILL** — Delmar J. Frazier, 53 (at top), former Army major and one-time medical student, and his nurse, Mrs. Mary Ellen Snyder, 17 (lower photo), were arrested near Martinez, Calif., charged with operating an 'abortion mill'. Authorities claim the pair have taken in an estimated $350,000 in seven months by performing illegal operations in an elaborately equipped motor vehicle and trailer.

### Pear Picking Will Begin Next Week

Pear picking in Douglas County orchards is scheduled to begin Monday, it was reported today by George T. Foster, manager of the Oregon State Employment Service office in Roseburg. Orders are on hand today for 24 pickers.

A medium crop is reported this year. Orchards cover extensive areas in Garden Valley, Winston, and other parts of the county. Pickers are needed particularly for the orchards owned by Ted Booth, Harry Winston and Paul Helweg, said Foster.

Experienced pear pickers are wanted, with none younger than 16, Foster added. Six experienced pear packers are also needed. Persons who have had experience packing apples, oranges, or other fruits are requested to apply.

Foster said that picking of this year's bean crop is drawing to a close.

### Ailing Woman Jumps Three Stories to Death

HOOD RIVER, Ore., Aug. 25—(AP)—Laura Delleger, 62, jumped to her death from a third story window of the Hood River Hotel here yesterday.

Police Chief Oakley V. Glenn said the woman, a widow, had been ill for some time. She had been working as a restaurant cook.

### Spiritualist Asks Delay in Burial; Trance or Death?

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25—(AP)—The will of a 53-year-old woman, whose avocation was spiritualism, disclosed today she wanted her body to be left unembalmed and unburied for two weeks to make sure she had not just put herself into a trance.

In the will, on file for probate, Miss Emma Von Toerne said her "investigations" into mystic realms might cause her to go into a cataleptic trance that others would mistake for death.

She added that she was afraid she might be buried before she awakened.

Elaborating on her spiritualistic theory, the will said the spirit does not leave the body until decomposition sets in. Furthermore, it went on, "as long as the body is stiff, the spirit still resides there and is merely paralyzed."

Miss Von Toerne, an administrative assistant at the Maritime Commission, was found dead of natural causes Aug. 3.

Her attorney, Rees B. Gillespie, said that "to some extent" her wishes were carried out.

### Boys Found Tied to Bed, Mother Jailed as 'Vag'

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 25. —(AP)— Three small boys who were found tied by their necks to a bed yesterday were in the Marion County Children's Guardian Home today and their 22-year-old mother was in jail on a vagrancy charge.

Police Sgt. Fred Stevens said the boys, John Hauk, 6, and his brothers, James, 4, and Sammy, 2, were found by a visiting welfare nurse yesterday.

Stevens said the boys' mother, Mrs. Virginia Hauk, and Nathaniel Green, 42, were arrested on vagrancy charges when they returned home late yesterday.

Stevens said the boys were clad only in dirty shorts and their bodies were covered with sores and bites. He said Mrs. Green told him they were tied "some time last week because they disobeyed and got into everything."

She is employed as a bus girl in a downtown restaurant.

## Widening Of Streets Given Council O. K.

**Military, Mosher Will Be 40 Feet; E. Washington 24-Ft. Request Debated**

In a brief session yesterday afternoon, the City Council approved the recommendations of the City Planning Commission for the widening of Military St. between the Oak Street Bridge and Corey Avenue, and Mosher Street between S. Main and S. Stephens St.

Engineer's estimates of cost will now be prepared for presentation to the Council at its next regular meeting Tuesday, Sept. 7. The streets will be widened to 40 feet. Military Street is now 24 feet wide between curbs and Mosher Street 28 feet.

At the Planning Commission meeting Monday, tentative estimates were presented giving approximate cost of the widening projects as $6,240 for Military Street and $6,451 for Mosher Street. Asphalt instead of concrete would be used to pave the additional width of the streets.

**24-Foot Idea Rejected**

Following the special meeting yesterday, the council met informally with Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Micelli for a discussion of the proposed improvement of E. Washington St. between Chadwick Street and the Micelli property.

The Commission had recommended the street be widened to 40 feet. The Micellis stated they doubted if property owners on

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### Rankin, 3 Other Congressmen Primary Winners

(By the Associated Press)

Mississippi voters are sending John E. Rankin back to Congress for his 15th term.

The veteran advocate of white supremacy easily defeated two rivals in yesterday's Democratic primary. The party nomination is as good as election in that state.

Rankin, a member of the House Committee on Un-American Activities and outspoken foe of Communism, told voters in his campaign that to defeat him would be "the best news that Joe Stalin ever heard."

Rankin's bid for another two years in the House who faced opposition easily won renomination. Among them was Daniel A. Reed, 72-year-old Republican member of the House since 1919.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio got the American Labor Party's nomination again in New York's 18th district without opposition.

The ALP also nominated Rep. Leo Isacson in the 24th district. Isacson was elected to the House originally with the backing of Henry Wallace, the Progressive Party's presidential candidate.

South Carolina Democrats nominated James B. Hare, 30-year-old Saluda attorney and son of a former congressman, as U. S. representative from the Third District in a runoff primary. As in Mississippi, the Democratic nomination is tantamount to election.

In the Mississippi balloting, Rep. John Bell Williams also was renominated. He is a one-armed Air Force veteran.

### Guard Unit Given Nod To Increase Personnel

Authorized strength of the National Guard Company in Roseburg has been raised from 36 to 40, it was announced by 1st Lt. Steve Fowler, commanding officer. Enlistments of persons into the Guard will be accepted at the Roseburg Armory.

At this week's drill, the company's mess hall functioned for the first time, Lt. Fowler said. Coffee and doughnuts were served. Acting mess sergeant of the company is Bill Evans.

The company's training this week included instruction in interior guard duty and in quelling domestic disturbances. Drills are held each Monday, with training scheduled in various military duties.

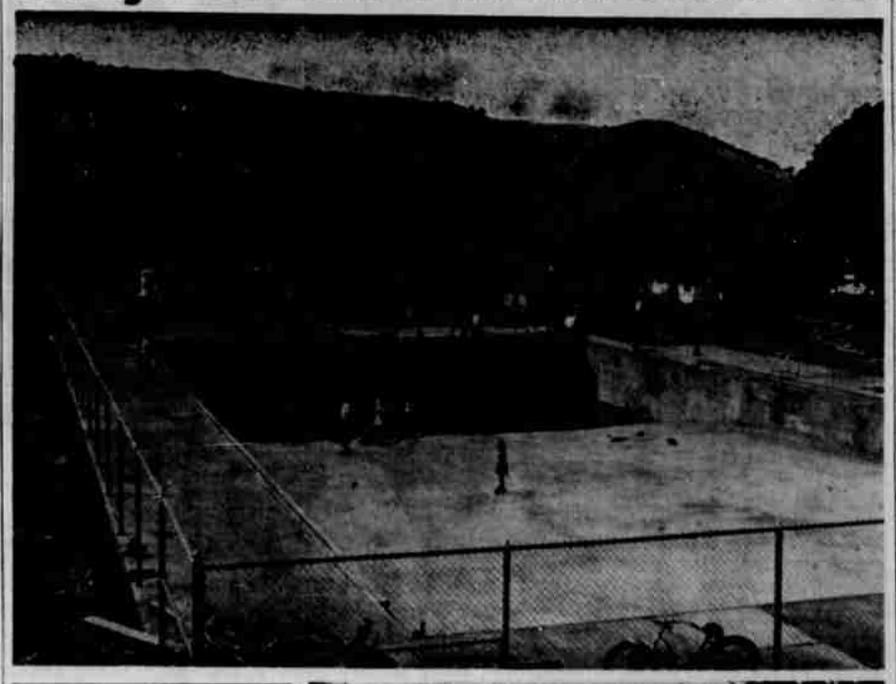
### Gates Man Shoots Cousin In Quarrel Over Auto

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 25.—(AP)—Carl Hardin, 23, highway construction worker, was charged today with assault while armed with a dangerous weapon in connection with the shooting of his cousin, Clifford Hardin, during a family quarrel at Gates yesterday.

He will be arraigned tomorrow in district court. Clifford Hardin, who received only flesh wounds, was in a Salem hospital.

State police headquarters said the argument apparently was over title to an automobile.

## Low-Cost Swim Pool Achievement of City Manager Slankard in His First Official Year



Pictures by Paul Jenkins

**NEARS COMPLETION**—Roseburg's municipal swimming pool (at top) is expected to be completed by Sept. 1, except for the erection of dressing rooms. The 60x120-foot pool, seen in the picture above, is located between Hamilton and South Jackson Streets, directly south of Rose School. It has been constructed under City Manager Matt Slankard's supervision within 3½ months from the first breaking of ground the middle of May. In the lower picture, is seen the new wading pool being constructed in the middle of E. Commercial St.

By LEROY INMAN

Roseburg's City Manager Matt Slankard might be described as a man who took the "bull by the horns," for at the conclusion today of his first year in office, he has the following to show among his achievements: One swimming pool, nearly completed except for the final erection of dressing rooms, showers and foot baths; one wading pool and the ground work laid for a second, and readjustments in the city's departments into a smoother, more efficient machine.

Slankard, of course, does not assume all the credit for these accomplishments. The construction of the swimming pool is the culmination of years of effort by civic minded individuals, past and present city councilmen, park commissioners, and others who have given hours of time and effort in establishing a fund and planning the pool. The wading pool on E. Commercial St., was achieved through plans of the Park Commission, and city readjustments were accomplished with approval and cooperation of the City Council.

**Big Sum Saved**

But it was Slankard who actually got this work done. It was Slankard who said he could build 60 x 120-foot pool for an estimated $53,000—the available funds—when folks laughed at the idea the pool could be constructed so cheaply.

Today, two and a half months from the first ground breaking, the pool, located just south of Rose School between Hamilton and Jackson Streets, stands as a monument to Slankard's long hours of endeavors. Final concrete was poured Friday of last week. A cyclone-type fence encircles the pool, and except for finishing touches, to be added by Sept. 1, the pool is completed.

**$15,000 Still Needed**

The swimming pool will not be available for use, however, until the dressing rooms, showers and footbaths, not figured in the original estimates, are completed, probably next spring. An additional $15,000 will be necessary, but some funds are expected available from various sources.

**2nd Wading Pool Planned**

The wading pool on East Commercial St., also, is practically complete, and should be available soon after Sept. 1, for possible use this fall. Plans are to lay the ground work for a second wading pool in conjunction with the swimming pool to be built at a future date.

The pool construction did not just happen to come out below the estimated cost. Many Ingenious moves by the city manager are responsible for saving the city thousands of dollars.

To begin with, Slankard, himself, has devoted his untiring efforts toward the project. To save the cost of a superintendent he volunteererd to undertake the job, moved his own office from the City Hall to a shack constructed at the site of the pool, and from there he has not only taken care of city affairs, but has personally supervised and

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### Soviet Police Kill U. S. Army Agent Fleeing Over Zone

BERLIN, Aug. 25. —(AP)—Border shootings of Germans in Berlin and Bavaria kept tension between the West and Russia alive today.

American authorities in Nuernberg said Russian zone police Monday shot and killed a German intelligence agent of the U. S. Army who was fleeing across the Soviet Zone border. They said the German, one of scores used by the Army as intelligence agents, was at least 100 yards inside the American Zone near Coburg when he was shot.

The military government said the German had been sent into the Russian zone by U. S. army intelligence agents to obtain some information the mission had labeled "top secret."

Despite the continuing aggravations, the Russian-licensed Nacht Express headlined a dispatch on the Moscow diplomatic talks with this optimistic line: "Hope rises for German peace."

The Russians, violating the four-power agreements for free exchange of information in Germany, extended their "iron curtain" against publications sponsored by the U. S., Britain and France. American officials said the restrictions were exerted through a distribution monopoly which the Russians created. The monopoly permitted only the Communist sponsored organizations to obtain dealers' licenses.

### AFL Group to Work For Democratic Ticket

CHICAGO, Aug. 25—(AP)—The American Federation of Labor today reaffirmed its long-standing policy of not endorsing presidential candidates, but announced the formation of a committee to work for the election of the Truman-Barkley Democratic ticket.

Formation of the committee, to consist of the international presidents of as many AFL unions as are willing to join, was announced at a news conference with William Green, federation president, and George M. Harrison, head of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks.

Harrison said the new Committee would be independent of Labor's League for Political Education, the federation's organization concerned with the congressional races.

### VFW Post Will Sponsor Victory Day Jubilee

Third annual Victory Day Jubilee to be sponsored by Patrick W. Kelley Post No. 2468, Veterans of Foreign Wars, is scheduled Saturday, Aug. 28, it was announced today.

The festivities will include street dancing and an indoor carnival. Prizes to be offered include a floor lamp, three-piece luggage set, and a bedroom set. The celebration will be on Washington Street, between N. Jackson and N. Rose streets.

### Gov. Hall Proclaims Draft Registration

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 25.—(AP)—John H. Hall issued a proclamation today ordering registration for selective service between August 30 to September 17.

The registration dates are the same as those already announced by selective service headquarters.

The governor also called upon employers to cooperate with the draft officials.

## Soviet Resents U. S. Action In Teachers' Case

**2 Consulates in America, One in Siberia Affected; Embassy Will Function**

By THOMAS P. WHITNEY

MOSCOW, Aug. 25—(AP)—The Russian government, reacting sharply to the expulsion of the Soviet consul general from New York, chopped off all consular ties with the United States today.

The action entails the closing of Russian consulates in New York and San Francisco, the closing of a United States consulate in Vladivostok, Siberia, and the voiding of an agreement granting the United States the right to open a consulate in Leningrad.

It grew out of what has become known as the Kasenkina affair, the case of a Russian school teacher, now in a New York hospital, who has been the subject of an international tug-of-war on the highest diplomatic levels.

The U. S. State Department, on Aug. 19, asked the Russian government to recall Jacob M. Lomakin, the Soviet consul general in New York, because of his activities in the Kasenkina case.

(Lomakin is scheduled to start home Saturday. The U. S. note informed the Russian government that Mrs. Kasenkina would not be turned over to Russian authorities against her will and rejected contentions that she had been kidnaped.)

**Soviet Reply Presented**

The Soviet reply, as published by Tass, categroically rejected the United States contention that Lomakin and other Soviet officials had exceeded their legal rights in the cases of Mrs. Oksana Kasenkina and Mikhail I. Samarin, another Russian school teacher in the United States.

(Both teachers were in the United States as instructors of children of Soviet officials and

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### Perjury Evident In Spy Inquiry

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25. —(AP)— Alger Hiss and his accuser, Whittaker Chambers, confronted each other in the congressional spy hearings today and were told that "certainly" one will be "tried for perjury."

The statement came from Chairman J. Parnell Thomas of the House Un-American Activities Committee.

Hiss, former state department official, and Chambers, now a senior editor of Time Magazine, have told the committee widely varying stories.

What Thomas' statement implied was this: the committee intends to make a decision which one is lying and seek action against him in the courts.

The 43-year-old Hiss was sworn in as the first witness immediately after Thomas' statement.

Hiss then publicly admitted for the first time that he once had known Chambers, but said it was under the name of George Crosley.

At previous hearings, Chambers has accused Hiss of being a member of a Red underground in Washington in the 1930s. Hiss has denied it.

### Dewey to Visit Oregon On Campaign Swing

PAWLING, N. Y., Aug. 25. —(AP)— Gov. Thomas E. Dewey was reported today to be planning a swing into Oregon when his campaign for the presidency takes him into the Far West.

The Republican presidential nominee's itinerary has not been announced yet. In fact, the party's national committee still is at work lining up dates and places for speeches.

But friends of the New York governor told a reporter that Dewey has a soft spot in his heart for Oregon and that a campaign speech some place in the state is almost certain.

It was in the Oregon primary last spring that Dewey's political fortunes hit the upgrade after a pair of reverses which had the makings of disaster.

### New Mills Will Rise at Yoncalla

Plans for the construction of a sawmill by the Wise Logging Co. and of a planing mill by E. R. Zielke, both at Yoncalla, were revealed this week.

The Wise Logging Co. recently purchased the Burns property about a mile north of Yoncalla on the Pacific Highway. This land adjoins the Thompson mill and contains 12 acres.

The land will be equally divided, with the Wise Logging Co. using six acres for the construction of the sawmill, and Zielke using the remaining six acres for the erection of the planing mill.

About three acres of the area will be used for a log pond for storage of approximately one million feet of logs. The logging company proposes to build an electric mill which will cut 20,000 feet of lumber a day.

The company now operates a portable mill on Billy Creek on the Fred Alden place. About a month's cut of logs is remaining there, it is reported.

### Playmates Toil to Aid Youth Who Loses Leg

INGLEWOOD, Calif., Aug. 25. —(AP)— Paul Homan's playmates miss him. But they don't just sit around, doing nothing.

Paul, seven, was playing near railroad tracks last week. A freight train passed, severing one of his legs. The other was amputated.

Paul's parents are poor. So are most of his playmates. But the youngsters went to work, gathering rags, magazines, scrap metal. In less than a week, they've netted $145. Today they extended their collection into Hollywood.

Meanwhile, Paul emerged from an eight-day coma. Doctors say he still doesn't know his legs are gone. But he was able to take his first food today, and he smiled a little.

### Peddlers' Ordinance Copy Request Granted

Fame of Roseburg's recently enacted peddlers' licensing ordinance is spreading.

City Recorder William Bollman received a request from Verne Sass, jeweler at Kellogg, Ida., for a copy of the ordinance. Sass said he had been informed by a traveling jewelry salesman that Roseburg has the "best Green River Law in the country."

The Kellogg jeweler referred to Green River, Wyo., which enacted the first peddlers' licensing ordinance in the country. A copy of Roseburg's ordinance was mailed to Sass today.

**Levity Fact Rant**
By L. F. Reisenstein

**Oregon is now importing food to feed the trout in her hatcheries. One would think they could be sustained by the scraps over fishing conditions.**