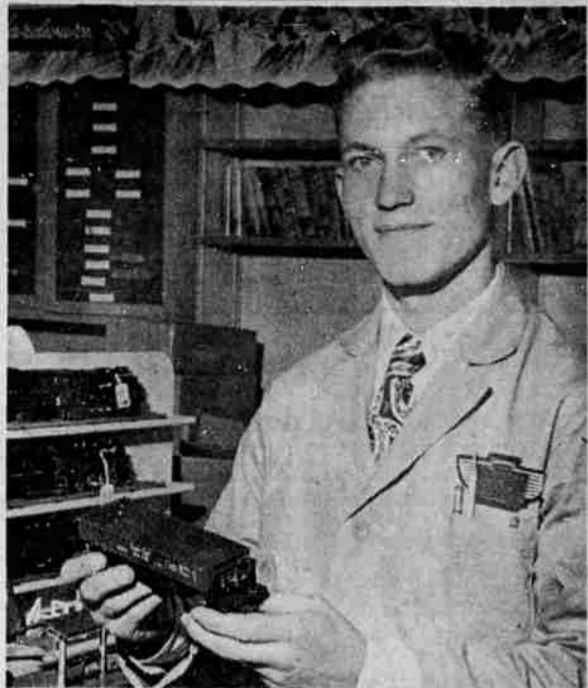


WHO DOES WHAT By Paul Jenkins



DUANE POPE is a salesman in Freeman Keller's brand new Firestone Store on Jackson street. At the moment you see him, he is exhibiting some locomotive rolling stock—a boxcar, part of a railway system Dads buy for their kids then crowd 'em away from when it comes to playing with it.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Signs of the times (maybe):

In New York, a young man runs out of pocket cash, steals an Eighth Avenue bus from its garage and runs it over its regular route, collecting fares and pocketing them. He might have got away with it quite profitably if he hadn't got careless and smacked a taxi, which brought ambulances and police radio cars on the double.

He sized up the situation, climbed out of the bus and disappeared into a subway entrance (jingling the dimes he had collected so far).

INCIDENTALLY, he was a colored boy—which makes no difference whatever. The color of one's skin has nothing to do with basic integrity, or the lack of it.

ANOTHER sign of the times—maybe:

In Portland, a group (let's don't call it a gang) of youngsters, only three of them over 18 and one of them a girl, goes on a bad-check binge running into the thousands of dollars. Three of the eight have been rounded up, and the police are gunning for the other five.

It looks like easy money—which everybody wants. In the long run, it won't turn out that way.

HERE'S the story-book OTHER side:

In Los Angeles (believe it or not) there is a parking lot attendant who is courteous, thoughtful and friendly toward everybody. Among those to whom he exhibited courtesy, thoughtfulness and friendliness was an elderly shoestring and pencil peddler who yesterday cashed some war bonds and gave the pleasant and agreeable parking lot attendant a \$1,000 tip.

HERE'S a bit of advice—given with full knowledge that nobody likes advice:

If you're going to be courteous, DON'T DO IT SOLELY IN THE HOPE THAT SOMEBODY WILL BREAK DOWN AND GIVE YOU A \$1,000 TIP. If you start out on such a project, you'll probably wind up disappointed and disillusioned.

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Welfare Payments Continue Until Legislature Acts On Controversial Pension Bill

Mrs. Lois Baker, Douglas County Public Welfare commissioner, announced that in view of the attorney general's ruling on the recently passed old age pension bill, the Welfare Commission is going ahead with plans for December old age assistance.

Mrs. Baker stated that any person eligible for old age pensions—who are 65 years of age, a resident of Oregon five of the last nine years with the year just preceding spent in Oregon, and in need—may make an application for old age assistance, under the welfare program which is still in existence.

The attorney general has ruled that the pension bill guaranteeing \$50 a month to men over 65 and women over 60 years of age passed by the voters at the general election is of doubtful constitutionality.

The Welfare Department, said Mrs. Baker, announced that in view of this ruling, December and probably January payments will not be held up, November

Service Stations Up Price of Gas 1.1 Cents Locally

Independent service station operators in Roseburg today raised retail gasoline prices one and one-tenth cents per gallon, following a raise of two-tenths cent per gallon by major oil companies Thursday.

This action was taken at a meeting of independent dealers yesterday afternoon. The proposed price raise was approved unanimously, said Ken Gilkeson, spokesman for local independent dealers.

He explained that most of the major oil companies had followed the lead of the Standard Oil Co. of California in boosting gasoline prices. He said the independent dealers here had decided to share the raise, as there have been previous price boosts from which the dealers have not profited.

"Due to the rise in our operating costs and continuing rise in wages, it would have been impossible for us to continue to operate at a profit and not increase our prices," Gilkeson said.

Gasoline prices are now 28 cents and 30 cents per gallon, respectively, for regular and supreme grades. Previously the prices were 26.7 cents and 28.7 cents per gallon, respectively, for the two grades.

This price increase has been adopted by some 30 or more independent dealers in the Roseburg area. Not taking part in the action are the two Standard Stations, Inc., which will not raise prices unless directed to do so by their head office.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13.—(AP)—Richfield gasoline cost one-fifth of a cent per gallon more today in northern California as the company followed the lead of Standard Oil in raising its prices. Both companies said the increase was due to the 12-cent hourly wage boost which ended the recent oil strike.

Marshall Denies Report Of Hinted Resignation

PARIS, Nov. 13.—(AP)—U. S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall said today he has made no definite plans to resign.

In a statement given to reporters by the American delegation to the United Nations Marshall said:

"I note in this morning's press a statement alleging that I still cling to my original intention to resign from the cabinet by Jan. 20. I regret that my remarks at the press conference yesterday have been misconstrued. I thought I had made it obvious that I would never take a decision of this nature without discussing it with the president, and that he and I have never discussed the matter."

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Wong said he would appeal to the Circuit Court.

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The Weather
Mostly cloudy today and Saturday. Cooler with scattered light showers Saturday.
Sunset today 4:52 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:04 a. m.

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China Forces Will Receive Arms Shipment

U. S., Canadian Ships Said Carrying Bombers, Small Arms, Explosives

(By the Associated Press)
Five thousand tons of small arms ammunition were on their way today from the United States to beleaguered Chinese government forces and another 5,000 tons of explosives were being loaded aboard a Canadian freighter at Vancouver, B. C.

The Canadian shipment also was reported to include 30 Mosquito Bombers, although an announcement from Shanghai today said the Chinese Nationalist air force had abandoned use of the fast two-engine British craft.

A Canadian government spokesman said in Ottawa he had received no notice that the bombers had proved too speedy and "hot" for the Chinese pilots to handle.

He said the 30 planes and the explosives were purchased by the Chinese government through its Ottawa supply mission, and filled part of an order for 150 Mosquitoes and surplus RCAF aircraft parts.

The arms cargo is being stowed in the holds of the Montreal-owned freighter Islandside, which recently carried nitrate to Haifa, Palestine. The sailing date for the 22-day voyage to Shanghai has not been announced.

The 5,000-ton supply of small arms ammunition from the United States left a West Coast port recently under terms of the China aid pact of 1948, the defense department announced in Washington. It said additional shipments would be made in the near future.

In contradiction to a report by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, a department official said no P-47 Fighter Planes were included in

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Fall Ceremonial Of Hillah Temple Of Shrine Slated

Wearers of the red fez will converge on Roseburg Saturday, Nov. 20, to attend the annual fall ceremonial of the Hillah Temple of the Shrine, Southern Oregon Masonic organization.

The highlight of the ceremonial will be the initiation of new members in the Roseburg Armory, preceded by a band concert, reception, and special drills by the Hillah Temple Patrol.

On hand for the occasion will be Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury, who is illustrious potentate of Hillah Temple, W. C. Holmes of Roseburg is serving as general chairman, and William A. Oerding as assistant general chairman of the ceremonial.

The public will be given a view of the colorful uniformed units, when they march in the afternoon from the Armory to the Rose Hotel, where Shriner's will board buses to Kennedy's Dutch Mill for a turkey banquet.

Participating in the gathering of the uniformed units will be the Hillah Patrol, drum corps, band, marching crew, and Camel Herders. One of the features of the ceremonial will be the massing of all units on the Armory floor.

The day's program will open with registration in the morning at the Rose Hotel, ceremonial luncheon, and initiation for Camel Herders, business session of Hillah Temple, hospitality hour, parade, banquet, reception, initiation ceremonial, and hospitality hour.

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Railroads, Unions Settle Third Round Dispute on Wages

CHICAGO, Nov. 13.—(AP)—The nation's railroads and three operating unions have settled their third round wage dispute.

The some 125,000 union members—engineers, firemen, switchmen—accepted a pay raise of 10 cents an hour, retroactive to Oct. 16. The boost in their weekly salary checks will cost the carriers an estimated \$40,000,000 a year.

A similar wage hike was accepted by two other operating unions—conductors and trainmen—last Oct. 4. At that time the railroads estimated the pay raise to the 175,000 workers would cost them \$55,865,000 annually.

There was talk in rail circles that the 10 cent hourly boost now accepted by the five operating brotherhoods may set a pattern for ending the wage-war dispute between the railroads and the 16 non-operating unions.

The engineers, firemen, and switchmen, whose threat to strike last May was blocked by government intervention, had asked a pay raise of 18 per cent in their third round demands. This amounted to about \$1.76 a day, the difference between the 15 1/2 cents hourly boost accepted last July and original second round demands for a 30 per cent raise with a minimum raise of \$3 a day.

Engineers now receive between \$88.80 and \$128.66 a week; firemen \$78.83 to \$103; conductors \$77.40 to \$111.34; trainmen and switchmen \$71.58 to \$96.50. The pay varies with the class of service.

A presidential fact-finding board is studying the dispute involving the 1,000,000 members of the non-operating unions. These workers, telegraphers yardmen and others not actually engaged in operating the trains, have asked for a pay raise of 25 cents an hour, reduced work-week from 48 to 40 hours and various overtime concessions. The carriers said the demands would cost them \$1,500,000,000 a year.

Surviving are his widow, Grace, Canyonville; four sons: Claude Brown, Prineville, Clyde R. Riddle, Jennel and Charles Brown, both of Canyonville; two brothers, Dan, Isma, Calif.; and Foster, Ariz.; and three grandchildren.

Ross Brown Dies At Canyonville

Ross Arthur Brown, 55, died Nov. 12 after a short illness at his home in Canyonville. He was born April 7, 1893, in Hodgman, Kan., and came to this community eight years ago to make his home.

Surviving are his widow, Grace, Canyonville; four sons: Claude Brown, Prineville, Clyde R. Riddle, Jennel and Charles Brown, both of Canyonville; two brothers, Dan, Isma, Calif.; and Foster, Ariz.; and three grandchildren.

Funeral service in charge of the Roseburg Funeral Home will be held Thursday, Nov. 18, at 2 p. m. in the Methodist Church in Canyonville. Interment will follow in the Canyonville Cemetery.

Klamath Indians Plead Guilty to Theft of Cow

PORTLAND, Nov. 13.—(AP)—Three Klamath Indians pleaded guilty in Federal Court here yesterday to theft of a cow.

They were Francis Green, Archie Mitchell and Ernest Hunt. Their case was referred to a probation officer for pre-sentence investigation.

Carlton S. Dale, 54, Pendleton, pleaded guilty to sale of liquor to an Indian. He was placed on a year's probation.

Mayor to Hand Out \$5 To Elizabeth Day Babes

Woodstock, Ont., Nov. 13.—(AP)—The mayor of Woodstock will hand out \$5 to each baby born here the same day as Princess Elizabeth's child, Mayor Thomson said he took his cue from the Lord Mayor of London who announced he will give funds to each child born that day.

Woodstock has a population of about 15,000.

Elmer J Moser Murder Trial Opens Monday

Defendant Will Face Charges as Result Of Willis Moffitt's Death

Trial of Elmer Jesse Moser, 37, for the murder of Willis Moffitt, 80-year-old welfare recipient, who was found beaten and unconscious in a Roseburg alley the night of Aug. 13, will open Monday in Circuit Court.

Moser has been held since his arrest Aug. 15, when he reportedly signed a complete confession of his part in the alleged robbery and beating of Moffitt, Roseburg's oldest native-born citizen at the time of his death.

Moser's attorneys, Jarvis B. Black and Avery Thompson, Friday moved the court for an order permitting them to examine "one certain writing" purported to be the confession signed by Moser and now said to be in the hands of the district attorney.

Awaiting a separate trial in the case is Francis Stanley White, 41, who was named by Moser in his confession as the instigator of the robbery, according to police report, and who was arrested from a description given by Moffitt shortly before his death.

White has maintained his innocence from the beginning, it was both he and Moser were indicted by the grand jury recently for the robbery and murder.

Moser's trial is scheduled to open at 10 o'clock Monday morning with Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly presiding. It is expected that most of the opening day will be given over to the selection of a jury.

Rilco is Closing Plant at Sutherlin

Rilco Laminated Products, Inc., is dismantling its manufacturing plant at Sutherlin and is closing production facilities and its western division sales office, it was announced today. The company's activities are to be confined to its headquarters at Albert Lea, Minn., and subsidiary operation at Independence, Kansas.

The Rilco plant at Sutherlin has been supplying building rafters and trusses for the eleven western states and has shipped some of its products into Illinois.

A crew of approximately 30 persons has been employed. No reason for discontinuing its operation at Sutherlin was given, other than that the building was needed more urgently for other purposes. The structure which housed the manufacturing plant is to be used by the Rock Island Lumber Co., a related concern, for lumber storage.

Some of the machinery from the dismantled plant will be sold locally, but the bulk of the production equipment will be shipped to Kansas to be added to the factory there.

Guilty Pleas Entered To Charge of Larceny

William Lenox Fitzgerald, arraigned before Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly Friday, pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny in a rooming house. The judge postponed imposing a sentence until a time to be fixed. Fitzgerald was charged by a Grand Jury indictment with having taken a camera, camera case and an alarm clock from a rooming house in Sutherlin.

Frank Henry Shultz, 38, also pleaded guilty to a larceny charge, when arraigned Friday, but the judge postponed imposition of sentence indefinitely and Shultz was released.

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FACES LOCAL CHARGE—Frank Vern Skinner, 44, on left, Friday was arraigned in the Justice Court of Thomas C. Hartfiel on a charge of manslaughter. He is accused in connection with the death Nov. 8 of his wife, Margaret M. Skinner. On the right is State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell, who filed the complaint.

United Nations President Makes Urgent Appeal to End Berlin Dispute Immediately

PARIS, Nov. 13.—(AP)—The president of the United Nations Assembly and the U. N. secretary-general made an urgent personal appeal today to the chief executives of the United States, Russia, Britain and France to settle the Berlin dispute at once.

Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, Australian foreign minister, who is president of this assembly's session, and Tyngve Lie, the secretary-general, offered their good offices to the four big powers in efforts to solve the dispute. Their action was without precedent in the U. N.

The two invoked the recent Mexican resolution approved unanimously by the assembly, which had called upon the Big Four to do all possible to settle all their differences.

The appeal was sent to the chief delegates here of the four powers, with the request that it be sent to President Truman, Prime Minister Stalin, Prime Minister Attlee and Premier Quett.

Evatt and Lie asked the four to give this appeal urgent consideration. They said they believed the first step toward settlement of major differences would be a solution of the Berlin case.

Soviet Russia has blockaded Western Berlin by land since June 23, and attempts in the U. N. Security Council to resolve the issue have failed thus far.

Secretary of State Marshall said yesterday the case still is before the Security Council and that the West still is looking to the so-called neutrals of the council for anything they may propose as a solution. Russia vetoed their first proposal.

The Evatt-Lie letter said in part: "Every day that the deadlock over Berlin continues, the danger

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Large Scale Shipping Seen Immobilized

Only Gulf Ports Now Open to Ocean Born Traffic; Wages Issue

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—(AP)—An East Coast Longshoremen's strike swelled to full-scale proportions today, immobilizing a large part of the nation's ocean-borne commerce.

Some 65,000 dock workers at ports along 700 miles of coastline from Portland, Me., to Hampton Roads, Va., were ordered off their jobs, as of midnight last night.

The official strike call was sent out by Joseph P. Ryan, president of the AFL International Longshoremen's Association, after he said members had voted "overwhelmingly" to reject proposed wage terms.

With port operations halted by the strike, the American Association of Railroads clamped an embargo on the shipment of nearly all export freight destined for Boston, New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Hampton Roads, Va., and Wilmington, Del.

The walkout threatened to paralyze the multi-million-dollar Atlantic shipping industry, and stem the regular flow of Marshall plan aid to Europe. Foreign vessels also were affected.

Ryan, who said the need for calling the strikers a "national calamity" said Stevedores would refuse to load or unload any cargoes, except mail and supplies for army ships.

Ordinarily mail, commercial freight and foreign aid shipments will not be handled, he said, adding: "As long as we're having a strike, let's have a strike."

The Baltimore port was at a standstill. About 5,000 stevedores quit at 11 p. m. last night on instructions from August Idzik, international representative of the Longshoremen's Association. There were 85 ships in the port yesterday, and nine are due in today.

It was estimated that a prolonged strike would affect the jobs of about 20,000 workers in

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Frank V. Skinner To Face Charges Of Manslaughter

Frank Vern Skinner, 44, today was arraigned on a charge of "manslaughter" in the court of Justice of Peace Thomas C. Hartfiel in connection with the death Monday, Nov. 8 of his wife, Mrs. Margaret M. Skinner, 38, at their home at Honeycreek Camp on the North Umpqua Road.

Skinner asked permission to see an attorney before determining whether or not to request a preliminary hearing. His bail was set by Hartfiel at \$5,000. He was arrested by State Police Thursday afternoon.

The complaint, prepared by District Attorney H. A. Canaday and signed by Sgt. Lyle Harrell, charges specifically that Skinner on Nov. 6 did "unlawfully and feloniously while engaged in the commission of an unlawful act, involuntarily kill another, to wit, one Margaret M. Skinner, by him the said Frank Vern Skinner, then and there unlawfully assaulting, striking, beating and bruising the body of the said Margaret Skinner with his fists or feet, or by other means to the complaint unknown."

Infllicting such mortal wounds and injuries within which and upon the body of the said Margaret Skinner and from which such wounds and injuries the said Margaret Skinner on the 8th day of November did die.

Tillamook County Appeals For Damage Repair Funds

TILLAMOOK, Nov. 13.—(AP)—Tillamook county will appeal to the Oregon Congressional delegation for funds to repair battered Bayocross peninsula.

County Judge Harland Woods, informed that Army engineers have no available funds for repairs, said tideland farmers and oyster bed fishermen need assurance that the area will be protected from further damage.

He plans an emergency request to the congressmen before the peninsula, which was cut by a storm last week.

Youth Pays \$50 Fine On Reckless Driving Count

Raymond Dale Bonebrake, 16, of Melrose Rd., paid a \$50 fine on a reckless driving charge brought in Municipal Court this morning. Chief of Police Calvin H. Baird said Bonebrake was arrested Thursday morning on W. Oak St., allegedly weaving in and out of traffic and speeding 53 miles per hour in a 25-mile zone. Bonebrake pleaded guilty to the charge before Municipal Judge Ira B. Riddle. In addition to the fine, his driver's license was suspended for six months.

Couple's Death Believed Caused From Gas Fumes

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 13.—(AP)—A couple found dead in an auto court cabin yesterday were identified as Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert J. Goodman, Baker, Ore. The man, who was 33, and his wife, Cressie, 50, were victims of gas fumes. Their poodle dog also was dead of the fumes.

Last seen Sunday morning they had been living here a month. The bodies were discovered by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fulford, relatives of the Goodmans. They stopped at the auto court en route from their home in Ridgefield, Wash., to a vacation in Baker. A gas heater in the cabin was turned on. The coroner is investigating.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reimann

Suggestion to Christmas shoppers: For the defeated political candidate, a copy of that well-known book, 'How to Make Friends and Influence People.'



PUPILS AID RED CROSS—Here are pupils in the class of Mrs. Althea H. Caraway at Fullerton School, who display a large afghan they have knit for the Junior Red Cross. The afghan will be given to a veterans hospital—possibly the Roseburg Veterans Hospital—for use by a patient. The Junior Red Cross is conducting its annual enrollment drive among the schools in the county. In addition to making afghans, such as pictured here, school children are packing gift boxes to be distributed overseas by the Red Cross.