

# CARDINAL MINDSZENTY DRAWS LIFE TERM

## WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



AL KNUDTSON, local jeweler, skid—no, skid—ed—or, doggone it! You know what I mean. Anyway he went to work that yesterday morning. His house is the one you see in the background of the picture above and he simply cut across lots down to Oak Street and Jackson. His face was properly blackened for sun-glare (or did I over expose it?). At the speed he was making, or looks like he was making, it's a wonder I caught him at all.

## PROGRESS DESPITE HANDICAP

### Electric Co-Ops Grew In 1948, Backen Advises Douglas Group's Meeting

Although the greatest strides were made during 1948 in electrifying rural America, "bottlenecks" in obtaining materials still face the power industry, said Harold Backen Jr., manager of the Douglas Electric Cooperative, at the association's annual meeting Monday afternoon at the Knights of Pythias hall.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THIS writer has sat all day in a meeting of Pacific Coast radio people along with half a dozen or so upper bracket officials of one of the big broadcasting networks.

These Easterners bring to us one definite message: The radio days of the big boom are over and the buyer's market is with us again.

THEY don't say it in so many definite words, but they leave no doubt of it in our minds. Advertising, you know, doesn't just shower down like manna from the skies. It has to be sold. The discussion today has been concerned with just one subject—how to sell more advertising (in this case, more radio advertising).

The best way, we are told, is to find more small customers and by honest dealing and good service to build them up into bigger customers.

In a free enterprise society, such as ours professes to be, that is always sound advice. America

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## LONE WOMAN LEGISLATOR

### Grace Olivier Peck Of Democratic Fold Takes Jest on Initials, GOP

By ESTHER GEDDES

SALEM, Ore.—I wish it were possible to give you a vivid picture of the structure of the halls where the Legislature meets, and a good speaking acquaintance with a great many of the people who inhabit those halls. I'm afraid that an adequate Who's Who of this Legislature would require volumes of paper, not just columns in the newspapers, but I'm going to write a few character sketches of some of the persons you hear mentioned in connection with current activities in Salem.

There is only one woman who has the privilege of speaking and voting in the House of Representatives. The rest of us can listen, and think and write but we don't say a word, and as you can imagine that is rather difficult for some of us. But Grace Olivier Peck from Multnomah County is a duly recognized member of the

House and can have the last word almost any time she so wishes. If the adage which we heard in studying physical science, "Nature abhors a vacuum," were true, then it is also true that a Legislature seems to abhor a

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## The Weather

Partly cloudy with occasional light rain showers today, tonight, and Wednesday.  
Sunset today 5:35 p. m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 7:19 a. m.

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## New Icy Wave Descends on Northern States

### 50-Mile an Hr. Wind Spreads Fresh Misery

Temperatures Go Under Zero, Relief Operations Halted, Trains Stalled

(By the Associated Press)

A cold wave from Canada and a 50-mile an hour storm from the Gulf of Alaska swung a double punch at the weather-groggery West today.

The new storm roared down on Washington at daybreak and was due in Montana later today. Bitter cold stung the mountainous areas.

The freezing breath of the cold wave plummeted the mercury to 16 to 20 below in North Dakota and Montana early today. It went down to 36 below at Big Piney, Wyo.

Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois braced for temperatures of zero to 25 below tonight and tomorrow morning.

Strong winds piled fresh drifts of snow over the western states bringing new hardships to the snowbound, storm-weary area.

Relief operations, by land and in the air, were halted or sharply curtailed in many parts of the western United States.

Some 25 Union Pacific trains were snowbound in Wyoming, stranding more than 4,000 travelers. A state of emergency was declared in Idaho.

Haylift Halted

The Air Force haylift to eastern Nevada livestock was halted by the new storm and at Ely, Nev., George Swallow, secretary

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## Westmoreland Annexation To Roseburg Asked

Petition for the annexation of Westmoreland, in West Roseburg, has been filed for presentation to the City Council tonight. The area asking admission, said City Manager M. W. Slankard, includes about 10 homes in the Westmoreland Addition not now in the city.

The Westmoreland Addition is adjacent to the Senior High School grounds. The two streets in the area—Chatham St. and Council St.—are within the city except where they are joined by a curved street at the north end.

Another petition, bearing almost 90 signatures, has been filed protesting the service offered by the Roseburg Transit Co. The petition asks enforcement of Section 5 of Ordinance 1048, which gives the company its franchise.

This section states that the bus company "... shall in any event continue a minimum of operation substantially in accord with the schedule filed with the city recorder."

A third petition has been filed, according to Slankard, asking for removal of the center strip of grass in N. Jackson St. between E. 1st Ave. N. and E. 2nd Ave. S.

Among the bottlenecks which have faced the power industry are lack of poles, transformers, and construction materials. These have been overcome. The greatest obstacle now is the shortage of aluminum conductors in the new plants to be built in Kentucky. Deliveries are to be made within a year.

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## PAGE 'LITTLE FELLOW'

### Board to Study His Needs Asked Of Congress

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(AP)—"The little fellow" in America should have more to say about what goes on in government, argues Rep. Dwight Rogers (D-Fla.).

Rogers told newsmen today he is drafting a resolution to have the House create a special committee to study the problems of "the little fellow" just as it has set up a committee on small business.

The name of the committee, if the house takes kindly to the Rogers proposal, probably will be "the Select House Committee on Small Peoples' Problems."

"Everybody else is represented here," Rogers said. "Big business has its friends, little business has its friends and there are lobbies actively looking after the interests of almost everybody and everything except the little fellow, who hasn't any lobby."

"About the only time he hears from the government is when he gets a tax bill."

"The little fellow," as Rogers sees him, is the man who is head of a family, earns a small or moderate income, and belongs to no organization having a lobby in Washington.

Liquor Profits For Pensions Get First OK

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR. SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—(AP)—The green light was on today for putting state liquor profits in the general fund—something demanded for years by old age pension groups.

The House Taxation Committee unanimously approved the move. It would become law July 1, thus ending the system whereby liquor profits are earmarked for pensions.

Pension groups have long complained that their checks are tainted with liquor. After July 1, they will get their checks from general fund revenues.

Senators were in an arguing mood yesterday afternoon, passing only three bills during three hours of debate.

An innocent-looking bill to increase the price of the Oregon Blue Book from 25 to 50 cents set off the biggest fireworks.

The Blue Book, published every two years by the secretary of state, is the official manual of Oregon's state and local government.

The dispute started when Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, Portland Democrat, moved to amend the bill to prevent Secretary of State Newberry's name from appearing in the book as its author.

Neuberger's motion was finally defeated 26 to 4, and the bill then was passed.

Dairy Board Survives

The other big Senate argument was over two House bills to continue the State Dairy Products Commission, and to double the butterfat tax which supports the commission. The commission advises the state on the sale of dairy products, and the new tax will be 1 cent per pound of butterfat during May of each year.

The bills passed 23 to 7. Sen. William M. McAllister, Medford, said he doesn't like so many state commissions, and that the dairy products commission was an extra.

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## Douglas County's Road Conditions Improved

Improved road conditions were reported in Douglas County, although chains are still needed over Canyon Mountain to the south, State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell reported.

All other roads are open to travel. The Coos Bay highway is in fair shape and the Drain-Reedsport highway is open. Considerable snow is still reported in the Canyon Mountain section, but highway crews have opened the road sufficiently to handle the traffic, Sgt. Harrell said.

Mis-Thrown Snowballs Break School Windows

Janitors and school officials at Roseburg Senior High will be greatly relieved when the snow season ends. This report was made after three windows had been broken from mis-directed snowballs, and the janitors have been kept busy cleaning snow from the halls near the doors where "missiles" have entered and snow has been shaken off clothing and shoes. Two of the broken windows were in the office and one in the upper hall to the rear of the building.

## Rerouting Of City Buses To Be Considered

Petitioners to Council Protest Halt in Service; Busy Session is Held

WHAT THE COUNCIL DID Delegated committee to study city bus routing. Deferred action for two weeks on West Moreland annexation petition.

Referred Jackson St. widening to Planning Commission. Let gasoline contract to Richfield.

Granted 60-day extension on Military-Corey-Harvard project. Delegated committee to study pedestrian ordinance.

Amended vending machine ordinance to exclude food and soft drinks.

Rerouting of city buses will be studied by a group consisting of the City Street Committee, city manager, manager of the bus company and possibly citizens living on the present route and interested in possible changes. The meeting was agreed upon at last night's City Council meeting at the request of J. H. Abeln, manager of Roseburg Transit.

A petition bearing approximately 90 signatures was read at the council meeting asking enforcement of the city ordinance which gives the bus company its franchise, specifically that position stating the company "shall continue a minimum of operation substantially in accord with the schedule filed with the city recorder."

Roy E. Clark, spokesman for the petitioners, protested that a former half hour schedule to the north and west parts of town had been discontinued, causing considerable inconvenience to residents going home from work in the evening.

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Heir, on Binge, Turns In Six False Fire Alarms

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Feb. 8.—(AP)—Edward Crumme, 51-year-old heir to a banking fortune, is in jail today charged with turning in six false fire alarms.

"I just love to see a book and ladder," he told Police Chief Clinton H. Anderson quoted the retired Goshen, N. Y. banker, Crumme was arrested yesterday at his Benedict Canyon home after the fire chief, an aerial truck, two engine companies, a hose truck and two police cars chased to the vicinity of his home on a false call.

At the police station, he proved somewhat of a contortionist for photographers, literally tying himself in a knot to pose. Anderson said his record shows 12 arrests for drunkenness since 1938.

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Thus far the Legislature has passed 29 bills out of some 270 introduced, Young said. He as-



Picture by Paul Jenkins

SOLOIST—Miss Janet Foster, above, is clarinet soloist in the Roseburg High School Band, which presents its midwinter concert at the school auditorium Thursday at 8 p. m. Miss Foster will play a popular selection, "Pepperino."

North Roseburg Sanitary Dist. Hearing Stated

Hearing on the proposed \$4,928.40 budget of the North Roseburg Sanitary District is scheduled at 8 o'clock tonight at the Church of God, at the corner of Walnut St. and Garden Valley Road.

Estimated expenditures, as set forth in the budget, may be discussed with directors of the district. All persons who will be subject to taxation in the district may be heard in favor of or against the proposed levy and any budgeted items.

The budget has been drawn up for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949, and ending June 30, 1950.

Large item in the proposed budget is for surveying and engineering expenses, \$2,750 being allowed. Other items in the budget are for miscellaneous expenses, including the salary of a secretary, legal fees and office supplies.

George R. Schmore was chairman of the budget committee. Clarence V. Landis, chairman of the board of directors for the district, will preside at tonight's meeting.

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## Exhibit Unit At Fairgrounds County's Plan

Levy Proposed to Aid In Meeting Building Cost, Tax League is Informed

Plans for construction of an exhibit building at the county fairgrounds were told by County Commissioner Lynn V. Beckley to the Douglas County Taxpayers League at its meeting here Monday afternoon. The county court is working on the project in cooperation with the County Fair Board, Beckley said.

It is proposed that a quarter-mill tax be levied, to raise \$12,500 on the county's present valuation. This, together with \$8,500 now on hand, would give \$21,000 with which to erect an exhibit building for 4-H and Future Farmers of America fairs, Beckley pointed out.

The Fair Board is to meet at 7:30 Monday, Feb. 14, in the County Court room to discuss the needs of the fairgrounds. Invited to attend the meeting are Frank von Borstel, county 4-H club agent; Homer Grow, director of the Future Farmers of America at Roseburg High School, and Howard Cracraft, master of Douglas County Pomona Grange.

Beckley told league members of the Fair Board plan soon to make a tour of other fairgrounds in the state to study the types of exhibit buildings now in use. It is expected that the building will be started this summer in order to have a 4-H fair next autumn. County Home Site No. 8 Chosen

The County Court also told the league that a complete record has been prepared of timber sales and contracts, showing the sale price, sale prices, and rates of interest. The Court will also select a site for its proposed \$400,000 county home. The site probably will not be either at Dillard or at the former location on E. Douglas St. east of Roseburg, said County Judge D. N. Busenbark. This is due to lack of adequate sewage disposal facilities.

Resolution favoring passage of House Bill 210 was adopted by the Taxpayers League. The bill would require a turnout of at least 25 per cent of the registered voters in any election for a bond issue to carry.

A meeting with Douglas County's legislative delegation has been tentatively set for Feb. 19 here by the League. It was announced. The legislators will then discuss the tax program to be considered at Salem.

F. H. Young, manager of the Oregon Business and Tax Research, will preside at tonight's meeting.

Envoys to Study Norway's Price For Alliance Link

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(AP)—A meeting of ambassadors of countries negotiating a North Atlantic defense alliance was called today in the midst of American discussions with Norway about the proposed pact.

The state department announced a meeting with the North Atlantic powers—Canada, Britain, France, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg—would be held in the afternoon.

Nothing was said as to the purpose, but it was believed Secretary of State Acheson wanted to discuss the questions submitted by Norwegian Foreign Minister Halvard M. Lange at a conference yesterday.

Large is here for discussions designed to determine, in effect, the price of admission for Norway into the North Atlantic security alliance.

Russia has been exerting pressure on Norway not to enter the alliance.

The Norwegian government delegation, it was learned, has questioned the state department about what protection, if any, Norway could expect while it is considering and negotiating membership in the alliance.

Smuggling of Alien Into U. S. Charged to Seamen

TACOMA, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Two members of the Peruvian steamship Amazonas were arrested here yesterday by U. S. immigration officials on charges of smuggling an alien into this country.

The pair, Chief Officer Esteban Espinoza-Rosses and Seaman Angel Morales-Guerra, are accused of bringing 19-year-old Bolivian James Gainsburg-Duran into the United States from the ship's last South American port of call, Callao, Peru.

A second stowaway, American-born Edward Albert Alvarez, now held in Seattle, is charged with aiding the smuggling.

Doze Worth \$1 Million Seized in New York City

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Seizure of a store of narcotics with an underworld sales value estimated by police at \$1,000,000 was disclosed today.

The narcotics were seized last night in an apartment where they allegedly were being diluted for retail sale.

The seizure followed the arrest of Joseph Basile, 39, in front of the apartment. He was charged with unlawful possession of narcotics.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

## Hungary Court Also Raps Six Co-Defendants

Judge Asserts Cardinal Duped by War Aid Hopes Planted by United States

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Josef Cardinal Mindszenty received a life sentence today from a court which stripped him of his worldly possessions and criticized the United States as a meddling in Hungarian affairs.

The five-man people's court, representing a Communist-backed government, classified Cardinal Mindszenty as a traitor to the country.

The cardinal appealed his sentence, leaving the higher court three alternatives—to let it stand, reduce it or increase it to death by hanging.

The 56-year-old primate of this predominantly Catholic country also was found guilty of trying to overthrow the Communist government and of speculating in foreign currency. The court rejected Prosecutor Eladi's demand for a death sentence, but ordered the confiscation of the cardinal's possessions.

The sentences and the charges on which the court convicted them: Duke Paul Esterhazy, richest man in pre-war Hungary, 15 years; trying to overthrow the government and foreign exchange speculation.

The Rev. Ondras Zakar, six years; trying to overthrow the government and treason.

The Rev. Miklos Nagy, secretary of the lay organization, Catholic Action, three years; foreign money speculation and failing to inform the government of crimes.

The Rev. Bela Ispenky, Father Nagy's secretary, life imprisonment; treason and foreign currency speculation.

Prof. Justin Baranyay, professor of church law at Budapest University, 15 years; trying to overthrow the government.

Laszlo Toth, former editor of the Catholic paper Nemzeti, 10 years; treason.

The court ordered that all the co-defendants be deprived of their jobs, fortunes or political rights.

The defendants may appeal to a higher court which can overrule the lower court or reduce the sentences within 10 days. As an alternative they may ask the

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## Solo Numbers To Feature R. H. S. Band Concert

Band Director C. A. Ricketts is drilling with emphasis the cornet trio of Darrell Davis, Jim Poirat and Roland Shanklin for their "The Three Jacks" number in preparation for the mid-winter band concert Thursday at 8 p. m. in the Roseburg High School auditorium.

Other soloists include Janet Foster, clarinetist, playing "Pepperino"; Jim Ylvisaker, cornetist, in "Pavanne," and Don Parr, Parr, clarinetist, in "Cotton Moon."

Risers were set on the school stage last weekend and the band held its first stage practice Monday morning. The stage was attractively decorated Monday afternoon with dark curtains.

With Director Ricketts stressing that "the more tickets you sell, the more money we have toward the Rose Festival," students are busy selling the ducats throughout the school and community.

The program will vary from jazz to classic numbers. Some of the more popular numbers will include "A Pretty Girl," by Irving Berlin; "Meadowlands," a Russian march, and "Cotton Moon," a classic from the old South. A number that is sure to be enjoyed by the audience is announced as "Amaparo Roca," which all band members reportedly enjoy playing.

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Herbert Hoover's government reorganization plan, approved by the House, is designed to save the U. S. Treasury \$3 billion annually. Fine—if it doesn't put thousands of ousted federal employees on relief rolls for the taxpayers to support—at \$3 billion annually.