

Hunt On For Quarter-Ounce Of Uranium

Loss—Or Theft—From Atom Laboratory Poses Threat To U. S. Security

WASHINGTON, May 19—(AP)—The Atomic Energy Commission was looking for a missing quarter-ounce of uranium-235 today after reporting recovery of a larger amount from waste material at one of its laboratories.

It said that all told about 1.05 ounces of the stuff—32 grams—could not be accounted for last February after a routine inventory at the Argonne National Laboratory in Chicago. The FBI was notified and an analysis of all laboratory waste was started.

"To date," the announcement said, "25 grams of the 32 have been accounted for at Oak Ridge (Tenn.) through analysis of contents of containers of salvage material, machine turnings, chemical solutions and so forth sent there from Argonne Laboratory for recovery treatment."

"The remaining seven grams—less than one quarter ounce—is not believed to have been stolen or lost as analysis of the waste is still continuing."

In New York, the Daily News said in a copyrighted Washington story that three-quarters of a pound of uranium-235 compound, explosive heart of the atomic bomb, had vanished from the Chicago Laboratories of the Atomic Energy Commission.

"The loss—or more probable theft—is considered the greatest threat to national security ever to be discovered in peace time," the Daily News said.

"There is a sufficient amount of the lost or stolen material to permit any competent nuclear scientist to perfect the mechanism to the perfection of a detonating mechanism, details of which even now are known only to a handful of men."

The loss was discovered at the Argonne National Laboratories in Chicago Feb. 14, but was not reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation until March 28, "when the trial of the suspected arch-espionage agent was as the polar ice pack," the Daily News said.

Woodmen Circle Convention To Be Held In Eugene

Delegates of the Supreme Forest Woodman Circle, including members from Roseburg, will meet Friday, May 20, at the Osborne Hotel and the First Methodist Church in Eugene to open a two-day convention. Eugene and Springfield Groves will be hostesses.

In addition to state officers, Mrs. Florence Holden Jensen, second national vice-president from headquarters in Omaha, Nebr., will be a distinguished guest. She will be honored at a reception Thursday, May 19, when members of the Springfield chapter of Tau Phi Lambda, national sorority affiliated with the Woodmen Circle, will present the anniversary ceremony.

Mrs. Sofia Frans, state president, will preside over business and ritualistic sessions. On the agenda is initiation of a large class of candidates, recognition to Legion of Honor members and presentation of proficiency certificates, junior graduation, election of officers, demonstration of the junior ritual and a memorial service.

Plans are being made to reinstitute the Roseburg lodge, Nebo Grove 35, and Junior Grove 8 while the national vice-president is in Oregon.

Ivan Hatfield Member Of OSC Tennis Team

Ivan Hatfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Hatfield of Roseburg, is a member of the Oregon State College tennis team, which defeated the University of Oregon team May 11 by a score of 6-1. He was winner of the single matches and was also winner in the doubles.

He was graduated from Roseburg High School and was formerly employed by the Roseburg Branch of the U. S. National Bank. He will be graduated from Oregon State College June 5 in aeronautical engineering.

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Thrice-Wedded Educator Faces Perjury Charge

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 18 (AP)—Bert Mac Leech, 40, graduate student at the Harvard School of Education, was taken into custody today on a warrant charging he is a fugitive from Tacoma, Wash.

Police Capt. Joseph Crescio said Mac Leech is accused of first degree perjury in the western state. He said Mac Leech asserted he would fight extradition. Arraigned in district court, Mac Leech pleaded innocent. His case was continued to June 20 in \$5,000 bail by Judge Louis L. Green after State Police Lieutenant James P. Coniff told the court he wished Mac Leech held pending arrival of Tacoma authorities.

In lieu of immediate security, Mac Leech was committed to jail.

TACOMA, May 18 (AP)—Pierce County Prosecutor Patrick M. Steele said today that Bert Mac Leech, arrested earlier in Cambridge, Mass., on a warrant charging he is a fugitive from Washington state, is wanted here to answer a perjury charge.

Steele said the charge grew out of Mac Leech's testimony at a divorce action at a time when he was married to three women.

Steele said that Mac Leech, also known as Burt S. Leech, married Jordana Popova in Bulgaria in 1936; Lill Solomon in Tucson, Ariz., in 1940, and Ruth Ellis in South Carolina in 1943.

While still married to all three, Steele said, Mac Leech started separate actions against Jordana in King County superior court, Seattle, and against Lill in Pierce County superior court. It was in connection with his testimony here that the perjury charge was filed.

Bail was set at \$10,000. Mac Leech was a time was director of the Pacific Northwest labor school here, an organization designated as "subversive" by Atty. Gen. Tom Clark.

In testimony before the Washington legislature's Un-American Activities Committee, Louis P. Budenz, former Communist leader, included Mac Leech among a list of persons he described as being "under communist party influence."

MacLeech is a native of San Diego and a graduate of Occidental College, Calif. During his Army service he was stationed for a time at the Harvard graduate school of education.

He was teaching at an American university in Bulgaria at the time he married his first wife.

Rice Valley

Mr. and Mrs. George Crawford and W. A. LaMar of Los Angeles, Calif., are visiting at the Kenneth LaMar home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Castor called at the home of Mrs. Louisa Kruse in Eugene Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dunbar spent Sunday picnicking at the Coast Guard reservation near Winchester Bay.

Billy LaMar, Cecil Hartford, Arlene Fast, and Charles Wales, all from Rice Valley, accompanied other members of their sophomore class on their regular annual class day trip to different points on the coast over the weekend.

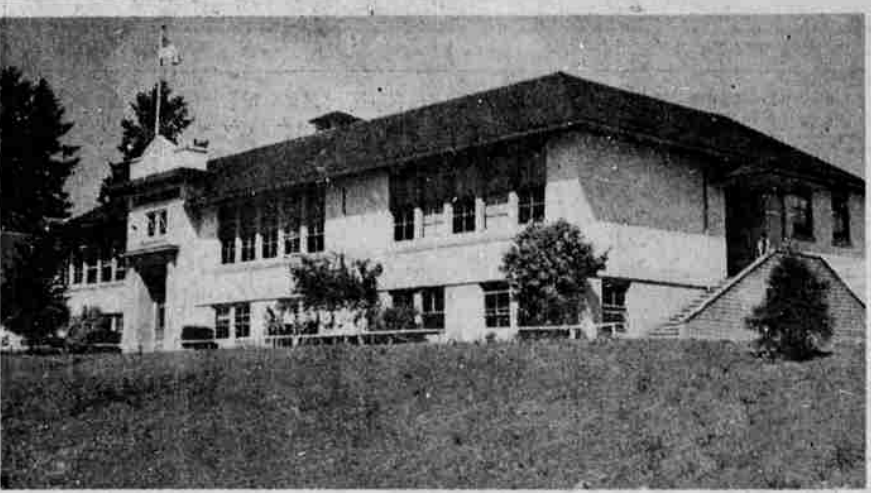
Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Fast and their children took dinner Mothers Day at the Art Adams home in Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Shepherd, Frances Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Shepherd and their daughter, Marjorie, and son, Claude, took dinner Sunday at the Keith Leonard home near Umpqua.

Mothers Day dinner guests at the Cecil Hartford home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. James Shepherd and their sons, LeRoy and Terry, of Rice Hill, Maurice Grass, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Grass and their children, Donald, Nancy and Nadine, Mrs. Clara Hartford, Billy LaMar, the host and hostess and their children, Cecil Jr., Victor, Berneta and David.



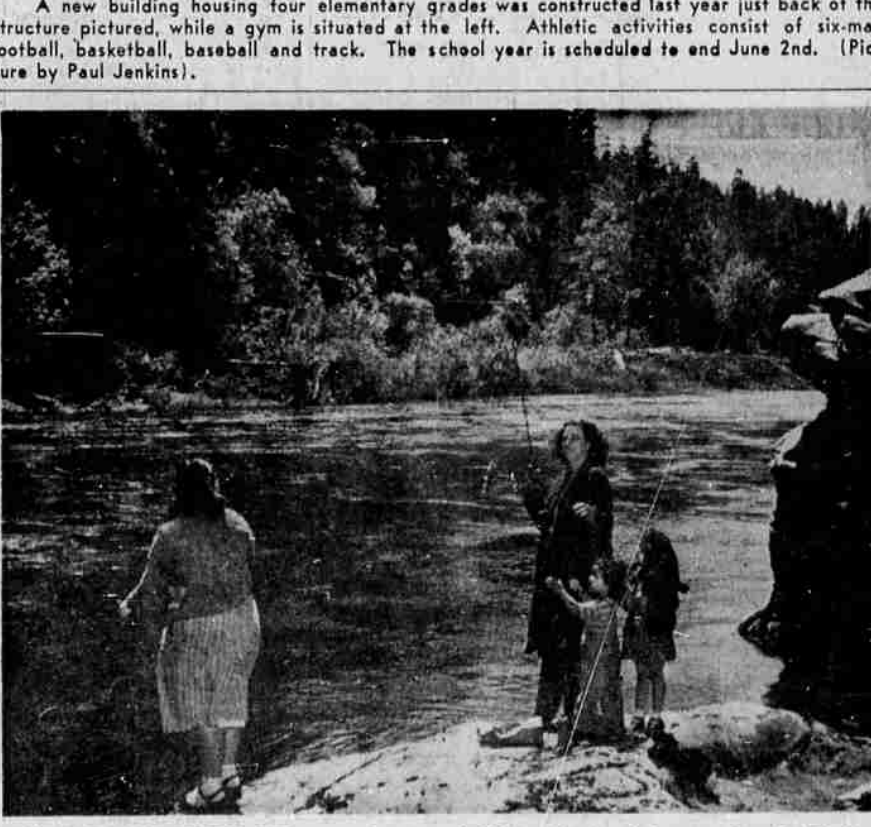
NEW SUPERMARKET OPENS—This is the new City Drive-In Market, for which a grand opening has been set for 9 o'clock Saturday morning. The market is located on Pacific Highway North, near Alameda St., north of the Garden Valley Road Junction. The market will be operated by C. W. and H. O. Tidwell of Sutherlin, and Henry Crowdis and Harold Davidson, now of Roseburg.



SERVES LARGE AREA—Shown above is the main unit of the Glide school, which consists of both the eight elementary grades and the four of the high school. Two hundred seventy-four pupils are in attendance, 60 of whom are in high school.

The school has 12 instructors, with John Orr as the principal of the high school and superintendent of the combined grades. The district operates five buses and draws students from a radius of from 12 to 46 miles along the North Umpqua river, the Buckhorn road and up Little River.

A new building housing four elementary grades was constructed last year just back of the structure pictured, while a gym is situated at the left. Athletic activities consist of six-man football, basketball, baseball and track. The school year is scheduled to end June 2nd. (Picture by Paul Jenkins).



FISHERWOMAN'S PROOF—Who says there aren't fish in the North Umpqua River? The lady at the right in the picture above has just proved that one just had been, at any rate. "Is it legal length?" she was asked. "Sure is now," was the confident answer; "luckily it had a rubber neck!"

These feminine fishers were trying their luck in the big pool just below Idlelyd store, while camped in a trailer nearby. Local fishing experts said fishing was poor; so much snow in the water and the river's height fluctuating frequently and rapidly. (Picture by Paul Jenkins).

Syndicate Of Press Features Struck By Guild

NEW YORK, May 18—(AP)—Employees of four affiliates of North American Newspaper Alliance, Inc., serving an estimated 1,400 newspapers, struck over wages and other demands.

Affiliates of the parent company are Bell Syndicate, Inc., Associated News Features, Inc., and NANA, Inc. The agencies distribute cartoons and features, including columns by Drew Pearson, Dorothy Thompson, Dorothy Dix and Billy Rose.

Local 3 of the CIO American Newspaper Guild said contract negotiations have made no progress since January when the Guild was certified as bargaining agent for 49 Syndicate employees. The Guild had no previous contract with the Syndicate.

The Guild said it was demanding a union shop contract, severance pay, job classification, and a \$110 minimum weekly wage for desk men with other minimums for other types of employees. Present wages average \$65 weekly for deskmen, the Guild said.

Thomas A. Brennan, attorney for the Syndicate, said the walk-out came after the Syndicate refused to yield on the Guild demand on the union shop and checkoff, and the Guild limitation on the management right to determine the number of the force. He said management was ready to negotiate further.

The Guild said the strike has affected copyreaders, clerical employees, mail room personnel and librarians. A spokesman said Guild units in Washington, D. C., San Francisco and Chicago would picket the Syndicate's offices in those cities sometime today. The out of town offices are unorganized and not on strike, both sides said.

Brennan said the strike has resulted in "no interruption of service and we anticipate no interruption."

A bright pink rattle is perched atop a blue powder can so that baby will have sound effects with his powdering.

Boyhood Friendship Leads To Partnership Business In Roseburg Suburban District

Partners managing Roseburg's new City Drive-In Market have had a friendship dating from the time they lived in Colorado as boys, many years ago. Now they are joining in ownership of a supermarket in which they have "spared no expense in making the finest in Southern Oregon."

Grand opening of the new City Drive-In Market has been set for 9 o'clock Saturday morning. The store is located on Pacific Highway North, near Alameda St., north of the Garden Valley Road Junction. The new Roseburg store will be operated in conjunction with the City Drive-In Market at Sutherlin.

Owners of the new store are C. W. and H. O. Tidwell, who have operated the store at Sutherlin the past three years; Henry Crowdis, who will manage the grocery department, and Harold Davidson, the meat department of the new Roseburg store.

As boys, the Tidwells and Crowdis all lived in the same small Colorado town of Grand Valley. The late Mr. Tidwell was sales manager for a wholesale grocery firm, and later owned two grocery stores of his own. The Tidwells sons were in the grocery business in Colorado before moving to Sutherlin three years ago.

Crowdis has had 47 years experience in the production end of the food business. He has been associated with the Bercut-Richards Co., packers, of Sacramento, Calif., and for the past 34 years was district manager in the sales department for the southern half of the United States.

Davidson has had 20 years' experience in the meat business as a butcher and salesman.

Crowdis commented that he and the Tidwells had been planning for sometime to join in opening a supermarket, which would provide the people of the Roseburg area with groceries at "the lowest possible cost."

The new purpose block building is 50x100 feet in size, with a concrete parking area of the same dimensions. There will be space available for close to 100 cars. Latest-model basket buggies will be used to transport groceries right to the customers' cars.

University Of Oregon Chorus Of 40 Voices Will Be Heard At Roseburg High On May 24

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, May 18—(Special)—Forty select singers will present a four-part program in Roseburg High School on May 24. They are the University Singers under the direction of Donald W. Alton, assistant professor of organ and theory.

The singers will go on concert tour from May 18 to May 26. Twelve concerts are scheduled.

Vocalists in the group are selected from the larger choral union in the university. They are non-music majors as well as majors.

The mixed chorus includes many solo voices that will be included in the program. These include a vocal trio of seniors in the music school.

Music in the modern manner will be offered by the trio, which includes Miss Claire Lewis, Camas, Wash.; James McMullen, Junction City; and Wayne Sherwood, Portland.

The trio has made its own arrangements and has a unique style. Last year, Sherwood won the Portland Symphony auditions. McMullen received the same honor this year. Miss Lewis has had major roles in all recent music school operatic productions.

Music from the old masters through the contemporary idiom will be sung by the 40-voice chorus. The students sing music particularly suited to a smaller group.

Two chorales from Bach's "The Ode of Mourning" open the Singers' program. It is followed by several works from the 16th century and a sacred anthem.

Rimsky-Korsakoff, Thomas Morley, Orlando di Lasso, and Alexander Nikolovskiy are some of the composers represented on the program.

Polk songs from Russia, Hungary, Transylvania, and the Negro spiritual of America will be sung. The program also includes several contemporary numbers.

Accompanists for the Singers are Miss Mary Nash, Dash Point, Wash., and Miss Ann Hopper, Portland. Incidental soloists are Miss Virginia Walker, Portland, and Miss Dorothy Gangnath, Yakima, Wash.



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