

# TRUMAN AGAIN HITS AT RACIAL BARRIERS

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### WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



CHAS. E. WILLIAMS, pictured as he displays a .22 calibre automatic pistol before a gun rack, owns a sporting goods store in Canyonville. Before coming to Canyonville two years ago, he had been in business near Aberdeen, Wash., for about six years; prior to that and for many years he was purchasing agent for the Great Western Sugar company in northern Colorado. In addition to his business duties, Mr. Williams is president of the South Umpqua Rod and Gun club and also president of the Chamber of Commerce of that town.

**The Weather**  
Mostly cloudy with rain today, tonight and Saturday.  
Sunset today 4:53 p. m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 7:02 a. m.

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## Keep Armed Forces Strong, Nation Warned

### World Peace Still Distant, U. S. Reminded

**Eternal Vigilance Need Emphasized By Leaders In Armistice Day Talks**

The nation's top military leaders today urged Americans to keep their armed forces powerful and thus help avoid a third world war.

They spoke at Armistice day observances across the nation, as the world marked the 31st anniversary of the close of World War I—the "war to end wars."

Secretary of Defense Johnson set the tone with a speech at St. Louis in which he declared that "weakness breeds war, and that strength commands respect and discourages war."

In a talk at Greenville, N. C., Secretary of the Army Gray placed the probable ultimate cost to this country of World War II at one trillion dollars, and added that the United States must stay strong to avoid future conflict.

Secretary of Air Syington weighed the cost of the Second World War in terms of men and resources, as well as dollars, and said "we must do everything in our power to prevent recurrences of these international disasters called 'world wars.'"

President Truman, who was due to address the national conference of Christians and Jews during the afternoon, led Americans in observance of the holiday with the traditional presidential tribute—a wreath on the tomb of the unknown soldier at Arlington national cemetery.

Speaking in nearby Arlington, George N. Craig, national commander of the American Legion, declared that the nation is observing Armistice day this year

### International Lions President To Visit Roseburg



Walter C. Fisher, above, president of the International Association of Lions Clubs, will be in Roseburg Saturday, as guest of the Roseburg Lions club at a noon luncheon meeting in the Hotel Umpqua.

Fisher, accompanied by his wife and another officer of Lions International, will stop here en route from Eugene to Medford, on a western tour. This will be the first visit of an International president at Roseburg.

Bruce Elliott, a past local president and past deputy district governor, is in charge of arrangements, and announces an interesting program arrangement. District Governor Forrest Losce will be present for the occasion.

Special invitations have been extended to Lions club members and Lady Lions from Myrtle Creek, Riddle, Canyonville, Sutherlin and Drain.

### Krug Resigns As Secretary Of Interior

**Action Climaxes Split With Truman; Successor Likely O. L. Chapman**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—(AP)—Secretary of Interior Julius "Cap" Krug, whose relations with President Truman have been reported declining, has resigned from the cabinet effective Dec. 1.

Krug, 41, the youngest cabinet member, made the announcement late yesterday. Friends said Krug plans to go into private business.

Under Secretary Oscar Littleton Chapman, 53, is reported in line to succeed him even though that would place a second Coloradoan in the cabinet. Both Chapman and Secretary of Agriculture Brannan are from Denver.

Once intimate friends, Krug and the president apparently have not been on the best of terms recently.

There was some evidence of this at the news conference Mr. Truman held yesterday, several hours before Krug's resignation.

Asked about differences with Krug, and particularly whether he had written the cabinet officer a strong letter about reclamation policy, the president declined comment.

Friends said Krug apparently felt that Mr. Truman should have

### STRONGER ARMS NEEDED Obligation To War Dead Stressed By Gen. Beecher In Memorial Address

America must not only strengthen its arms, but also stimulate in the people of the world an awareness of their personal share in freedom to preserve the world from future conflicts, declared Brig. Gen. Curtis T. Beecher, USMC Ret., on the Indian theater stage this morning.

Speaking to an Armistice day audience, the retired Marine general, veteran of Bataan and Corregidor and former prisoner of the Japanese, gave the principal address at the memorial service which followed a parade through Roseburg's downtown streets.

"While Armistice day is the anniversary of the end of World War I, it has acquired a deeper significance over the years," Gen. Beecher pointed out. "It has now become the Memorial day of our generation, a monument to the victory of our arms."

"But of far greater importance, (it is) an occasion when we may pay humble tribute to those brave souls who gave their lives to achieve these victories that our nation might be free," he said.

"The greatest tribute we can pay, honored dead is to do everything within our power to achieve and maintain the goals of freedom, democracy, and peace for which they gave their lives."

The general's address concluded the annual Armistice day observance which has become traditional in Roseburg. Warren Mack, News-Review reporter, opened the program by singing "My Buddy." Following the song, the audience observed one minute of silence.

Representative of veterans organizations from throughout the county were introduced from the Indian theater stage. The Roseburg Junior high school band offered selections.

In the parade immediately preceding the theater program, National Guard and Naval Reserve units marched, as well as veterans groups, Legionnaires and Veterans of Foreign Wars from nearby cities were represented by color guards. The Junior high school band provided music.

At noon today, veterans and

### Manslaughter Charged To Wife In Mate's Death

PENDLETON, Nov. 11.—(AP)—Sally Sperry Thursday was charged with manslaughter following a coroner's jury verdict Wednesday afternoon that the shooting of her husband, George Sperry, 35, near Gurdane Tuesday night, was "not accidental."

The verdict, following an hour's deliberation by the jury after a two-hour inquest, stated that Sperry came to his death from a gunshot wound at the hands of his wife, and then added the phrase which meant the taking of an official charge, and the arrest of the 34-year-old woman.

The pivotal point in the evidence around which the probability of criminal action revolved was the fact that investigating officers found another cartridge in the chamber of the discarded but cocked .22-caliber rifle, and an empty shell lying near the weapon. The jurors could not reconcile this with other testimony.

Mrs. Sperry's testimony did not deviate from the story she told to officers and neighbors following the shooting. It was to the effect that they had been drinking and "kidding," that her husband picked up the .22 rifle from the corner and snapped it at her chest then handed it to her and walked from the unlighted bedroom into the living room and toward the lighted kitchen. Some eight or nine feet away, he turned to say something, she related, and she snapped the rifle at him—and the gun fired, the high power bullet striking him in the face, just below the right eye.

Then she began telephoning for help and to the sheriff's office in Pendleton.

### Boy Sole Survivor Of Crash That Kills 4 Kin

ST. CLAIRSVILLE, O., Nov. 11.—(AP)—A two-year-old boy in a cowboy suit sat crying in the middle of U.S. route 40 yesterday.

It was fright, more than a bruised knee, which caused the tears.

About him were scattered the bodies of his father and mother, his uncle and aunt.

Michael Kingham was the sole survivor of an automobile crash which killed these people: Herbert Kingham, 26, and his wife Ann, 26, of Borger, Tex.; Kenneth Betts, 26, of Borger, and his sister, Mrs. Wanda Ellis, 13, of Shawnee, Okla.

Corporal G. D. Miller of the Ohio highway patrol said the Texas car crashed into the rear of a car driven by John A. Silvers of Barnesville, O., then careened across the highway, upset and hit a car traveling in the opposite direction.

### Confessed Killer Freed; No Corpse

PASADENA, Calif., Nov. 11.—(AP)—No body was ever found. So Edward H. Evans, who police said confessed a slaying, walked off Scot free.

A murder charge against Evans was dismissed yesterday as Superior Judge Joseph A. Sprankie Jr. said: "It is unfortunate the law requires the corpus delicti, even though the police have a confession. But if it hadn't a man might be convicted in spite of himself."

Evans was accused of killing Capt. Frederick Moore, deputy U.S. marshal, in 1947. Evidence—especially the victim's body—was lacking, the district attorney's office conceded.

Moore disappeared, police reported, after an argument in a restaurant to which he had gone in connection with a lawsuit. Detectives dug and dug in nearby San Rafael hills, at Evans' direction, but never were able to locate the particular tree under which Evans told them they would find the marshal's body.

### Collision With Engine Smashes Trailer Home

A collision between a switch engine and a trailer home early this morning at Oak street and the railroad tracks marked the second time an accident of that nature occurred here in recent weeks.

Several weeks ago a switch engine and a school bus filled with high school students collided, resulting in minor damage to the bus.

According to Police Chief Calvin H. Baird, the trailer was mounted on the rear of a pickup truck operated by Arnold G. Perry, Kirkland, Wn. His passenger was Carlos Read, Melrose Rt., Roseburg.

Baird said the pickup had just crossed the track when the switch engine caught the trailer on the left side, just ahead of the tandem wheels. The trailer was pushed six feet. Its left front side and front was demolished, the chief said.

Perry said he had just purchased the trailer three weeks ago in Idaho, on the tail end of a 4,000-mile nationwide trip. The accident last night occurred at the very end of the journey. The driver was within blocks of home and the end of the trip.

### MIDDLE EAST POWDER KEG Arab-Jewish Deadlock Threat To World Peace, Relief Worker Warns

Eight hundred thousand homeless Arab refugees in the Middle East constitute a threat to world peace and could draw the United States into a shooting war. That was an observation of Emmett W. Guley of the American Friends Service committee, who addressed the Roseburg Rotary club Thursday noon.

Guley recently returned from eight months as director of relief for Southern Palestine, where the Quaker organization undertook work among the Arab refugees at the invitation of the United Nations. Guley is executive secretary of the Oregon regional office of the American Friends Service committee at Portland.

He was introduced to the Rotarians by Superintendent of Schools Paul S. Elliott, a former college classmate. The luncheon was served in the junior high school library, where Rotarians were guests of the school district in observance of American Education week.

Guley told the Rotarians that he had never had a greater opportunity in his lifetime, than when he worked among the refugees in Palestine, because he felt his organization could do a "great deal" toward stopping a war in the Middle East.

Problem Must Be Solved

"There can be no genuine peace until the refugee problem is settled," he pointed out. "Eight hundred thousand people have been dispossessed and are sitting on the sand hills. If a shooting war starts out in the Middle East, war may come to America. The elements are there for war."

The Arab refugees were those displaced from Palestine when the Jewish nation, Israel, was created. Guley said he found there is "a tremendous feeling of

### Community Chest Donations To Date Pass \$12,000 Mark

The Roseburg Community Chest collections continued to rise slowly, with an approximate \$1,000 turned in Thursday, Art Lamka, secretary, reported today. The collections to date exceed \$12,000, which is just under the half way mark in the campaign. The goal is \$25,550.

At a meeting of the Chest campaign steering committee Wednesday, it was found that only 25 percent of the business houses had sent in their donations, said Sam J. Shoemaker, campaign chairman.

"If all business houses make their contributions to the Chest," Shoemaker pointed out, "there is no doubt that the drive will reach its quota and go over the top this year."

The drive, which started Monday, continues through next week and ends officially Saturday, Nov. 19. The business district has been zoned and is being canvassed by Roseburg civic clubs.

Roland West, Rotary club representative to the Chest, announced Thursday that Rotarians had collected \$1,444, the "largest

### U. S. Steel Corporation Strike Appears Settled

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 11.—(AP)—Settlement of the strike against the giant United States Steel corporation appeared only a formality today.

Legal talks continued on an agreement reportedly fashioned after the Bethlehem peace plan which cracked industry's fight against free insurance and pensions.

When the agreement is reached, it will send 150,000 men back to work. That will mean the virtual end of the paralyzing 42-day-old strike.

Today started off on a peace-making note as the steelworkers union and the Colorado Fuel and Iron Corp. announced they had reached an agreement sending 15,000 workers back to their jobs this morning.

### Oregon Armories Get Rehabilitation Funds

PORTLAND, Nov. 11.—(AP)—National Guard buildings in Oregon are due for \$250,000 worth of rehabilitation.

Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea, state adjutant general, said yesterday he had obtained commitments for that amount from department of army chiefs.

About \$150,000 worth of the work on air guard units will get underway this month. The remainder will be spent at Camp Adair, Camp White and Camp Withycombe ground unit facilities.

### New Eugene Policeman Admits Burglary Charge

EUGENE, Nov. 11.—(AP)—A police officer hired in August was jailed here Wednesday night in the burglary of a cafe where he formerly worked.

Police Chief Keith L. Jones said the officer, Thomas E. Bardgett, 35, had signed a statement admitting the burglary. Jones said Bardgett told of using a key he had obtained while an employee of the El Pronto drive-in to enter the cafe. He then opened a window to make it appear the burglar had forced his entrance, Jones said.

### Bids Solicited For Erecting Douglas Community Hospital

A call for bids for the construction of the Douglas Community hospital has been issued by Alvin C. Knauss, administrator. The official notice, published in Thursday's News-Review, set Dec. 14, at 7:30 p. m. in the chamber of commerce as the date and place for opening proposals.

Drawings and specifications for the construction of a masonry and frame 44-bed hospital are available for distribution to contractors by Cleo H. Jenkins, architect, Corvallis.

Applications from contractors interested in bidding on this work should be filed promptly with the architect, and the bidding material will be forwarded as soon as available, the notice states.

Bids will be received separately as follows: 1. General contract to include all work except kitchen and laundry equipment. 2. Kitchen equipment installation. 3.

### Longshoremen Object To Dal King As Trial Judge

THE DALLES, Ore., Nov. 11.—(AP)—The CIO Longshoremen have blocked out another judge from hearing the charges of rioting in the Hawaiian pineapple cargo dispute here.

An attorney for the union filed a motion yesterday asking assignment of a judge other than Circuit Judge Dal M. King of Coos county. A similar motion had disqualified Wasco Circuit Judge Malcolm W. Wilkinson. King had been named to replace Wilkinson.

Meanwhile, the 23rd Longshoremen checked into Portland police headquarters yesterday for arrest. There were 24 indicted secretly after the Sept. 28 riot.

### Romantic Rumors Again Touch Margaret Truman

DETROIT, Nov. 11.—(AP)—Margaret Truman and Frank P. Hardy Jr., of Ypsilanti, Mich., are the center of romantic rumors again.

The President's daughter, who will give a concert here tonight, had lunch yesterday with the young son of an Ypsilanti publisher.

Last winter they were seen together often, but the White House said there was nothing doing as far as romance was concerned.

### Civil Rights Law Demand Is Repeated

**Legislation Would Halt "Persecution," President Tells Christians, Jews**

By ERNEST B. VACCARO  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—(AP) President Truman vigorously renewed his call for passage of civil rights laws today, saying they are needed to overcome "discrimination and injustices."

"In view of the fundamental faith of this country and the clear language of the Constitution, I do not see how we can do otherwise than adopt such legislation," Mr. Truman declared in an Armistice day speech prepared for a meeting of the national conference of Christians and Jews.

The President noted that just a few hours before he had laid a wreath on the grave of the unknown soldier.

"No American knows, and no real American cares," he said, "whether that man was a Catholic, a Jew or a Protestant, or what his origin and color were."

"That grave—the grave of the unknown soldier—symbolizes our faith and our unity."

Cites Foreign Criticism

Mr. Truman indicated that passage of civil rights legislation might do much to spike criticism of the United States by "our enemies" abroad.

"The first step of every enemy of this country has always been to attempt to separate the strands of faith and belief out of which this nation has been woven," he asserted.

"Our enemies have always tried to set group against group, faith against faith—to create prejudice and to spread hate and distrust among our people."

And he appeared to be referring to the same "enemies" whom he said:

"The task of achieving greater justice and freedom will be long and difficult. The beliefs on which we have founded our form of government, and our hope of a better world, are under attack. In various parts of the world today, human rights and freedom are being deliberately violated and suppressed. Men and

### Single Shot Kills Two Elk Hunters

SPOKANE, Nov. 11.—(AP)—Two Spokane elk hunters were fatally injured by a single shot near Anatone, Asotin county, yesterday. Another hunter was recovering in a Yakima hospital after wandering for four days in the Cascade mountains.

Victims of the freak accident were William R. Nolan, 40, and William E. Hamilton, about 28, both of Spokane. Their deaths brought to three the fatality toll of the current elk hunting season.

Asotin county coroner Tom Jordan said the single bullet was fired by James Jones, about 45, of Pullman, Jones and his son, Robert, about 21, were released on their own recognizance. No charge was filed against them.

Jordan said the bullet passed through Hamilton's body below the heart and struck Nolan. The latter died quickly of a severed leg artery. Hamilton lived for two and a half hours but died as Jones and his son carried him to a road for aid.

Meanwhile, another tragedy was narrowly averted when two unidentified hunters found Bob Millet, 54, of Sedro Woolley, near collapse on a forest trail west of Yakima in the Cascades.

### Bonneville-California Power Link Foreseen

PLACERVILLE, Calif., Nov. 11.—(AP)—The time is coming when the Columbia river's Bonneville project and California's Central valley will be integrated for electric power, Rep. Clair Engle (D-Calif.) said here.

"And this will be to the mutual benefit of the people of California and of Oregon and Washington," Engle predicted. "There are periods when there is a great waste of power output at Bonneville. If the two systems were integrated, that waste power could be transferred to California through Central valley to relieve shortages."

### Jas. Roosevelt Expected To Seek Governorship

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 11.—(AP)—James Roosevelt, DR's eldest son, is expected to announce his intentions for the governorship of California next Tuesday.

He scheduled a press conference for the afternoon and a radio broadcast that night. Political insiders figure that Roosevelt, after pulse-taking tours around the state, is now ready to make his candidacy known. His probable major opponent in the 1950 Democratic primary: George Luckey, Truman campaign manager in this state last year.

### Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Soon as Armistice day's observance is over, let there be all-out preparation for the next war. Date, Nov. 24; objective, Turkey.