

TRUMAN ASKS "MODERATE" NEW TAXES

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



BEVERLY ANN and JOHNNY WEST, aged five and six years, sit proudly on Royal Nord bikes which their father sent them all the way from Belgium for Christmas. The two are children of Mr. and Mrs. John West of 404 East Second avenue, North. Mr. West has charge of the appliance department at Montgomery Ward. At the time he ordered the bicycles he was in Belgium as a member of the American Graves Registration command.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ON the last day of the year which, by the way, happens to be also the last day of the week and the last day of the month) this dispatch comes from Prague, the capital of Czechoslovakia.

"In a New Year gift to the nation, the communist-led Czech government today abolished gasoline rationing for private cars, cut the free market price of meat and clothing and liberalized provisions for shopping in rationed shops."

"I'm getting to be a suspicious old bird — which is one of the curses of getting older. When you're young, you're apt to assume that what CLAIMS to be pure and lovely IS pure and lovely. As the years creep up on you, you incline more and more

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Dedication Set For Green School

Dedication of the new Green school and open house will be held at the new building Friday at 8 p.m., under sponsorship of the Green Parent-Teachers association.

The dedication and program will follow a brief business meeting of the P.T.A.

Enrollment at the school totals 215 pupils, with a staff of nine teachers and W. E. Stonebraker as principal.

The new building, designed by architect Cleo Jenkins, Corvallis, consists of nine completed classrooms, two unfinished rooms used temporarily as an auditorium, one lunchroom, a kitchen, an inner office and an outer office.

E. A. Shannon, Roseburg, contractor, built the school.

THIEVES, BEWARE!

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Thieves who took a small box resembling a cash register from the mechanical research laboratory may be picking it out of their teeth one of these days.

The box is an instrument used for testing earth strata for underground oil pools. It contains 27 dynamite caps, and if any attempt is made to open it, the box will explode, laboratory officials said.

LUMBER MARKET GOOD

Douglas County Industry Emerged From '49 Slump, Regained Full Production

By LEROY INMAN

Lumbering business in Douglas county had its ups and downs during the last year, but the end of 1949 showed a marked trend toward stabilization. The industry snapped out of the big lumber slump, which brought uncertainties a year ago, and the market is reported generally good.

The demand for lumber has kept most local operations continuing at full force during the winter months. However, some logging and mill operations have been forced to close temporarily because of weather conditions, and the local office of the Oregon State Employment service reports a considerable amount of seasonal unemployment at the present time.

Compared with the big industrial developments of 1946-47-48, the year 1949 had little to brag about, and indicated, for the present at least, a tapering off of industrial expansion.

A survey shows that, while several smaller operations were suspended following last winter's

general slump and for other reasons during the year, a number of new enterprises have risen to take their place. Larger lumber and logging works successfully weathered the slack period and are now in full production.

Principal among the new industries of Douglas county opening during the year was the As sociated Plywood's sawmill. The mill reportedly employs 74 men, in addition to the 85 men previously employed in logging operations.

A list of new lumber and logging operations and the approximate

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The Weather

Cloudy to partly cloudy with showers of rain or snow today, clearing tonight, increasing cloudiness Thursday. Sunset today 4:51 p. m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:46 a. m.

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2 O.S.C. Athletes Killed In Crash

Stan McGuire, Bill Corvallis Die In Tragedy

Toboggan Carrying Pair Breaks Lose From Auto, Swerves Into Another

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 4.—(AP)—Two tobogganing Oregon State college students—both prominent athletes—were fatally hurt when hit by a car on the campus last night.

Stan McGuire, Portland, football end named AP line man of the week for his stellar play against Michigan State last fall, died at 7:11 a.m. today.

Bill Corvallis, 21, also Portland, a pitcher for the Santa Barbara, Calif., farm club of the Brooklyn Dodgers last season, died minutes after the toboggan in which they were riding swung from its tow car into the path of another automobile. He was a junior in the business-technology school.

McGuire was to have captained Oregon State's football team next fall. He died without regaining consciousness after the 11:30 p.m. accident.

Accident "Unavoidable" City Policeman W. P. Harris reported the toboggan was being towed behind a car driven by Bill Austin, former OSC football player back at the college to complete his studies. Harris said

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Will Of Actor Bill Hart Center Of Court Battle

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Many western film stars of past and present are scheduled to appear at the trial to break the will of "Two-Gun" Bill Hart, whose estate is worth \$1,700,000.

Selection of a jury began yesterday for trial of the will, brought by the late actor's son, William S. Hart Jr., and the actress Winifred Westover.

Hart once vowed that his only son never would "want for anything even if I should have to beg, borrow or steal."

The actor, who died June 23, 1946, at the age of 83, cut him off in his will but made him the beneficiary of a \$100,000 trust fund before his birth.

Young Hart and his mother charge that Hart was failing in mind and was unduly influenced before his death. The contested will left most of the estate to Los Angeles county. The county was bequeathed Hart's famed horse shoe ranch and at least \$150,000 for its upkeep as a memorial park.

The son's attorneys said that discovery of oil nearby might greatly add to the property's value.

The will, dated Sept. 9, 1944, stated that Miss Westover, who divorced Hart in 1927, was provided for in a settlement and has no claim. Miss Westover asks that the settlement be set aside and that she be awarded a share of the estate.

Egyptian King Suffers Rebuke In Election

By The Associated Press

The WAFD party, mildly reformist, won an overwhelming victory over other conservative parties in yesterday's Egyptian elections.

The top-sided vote—running as high as 10 to one for the WAFD—was considered a rebuke to the SAAADist party and indirectly to King Farouk for the poor showing made by Egypt in the Palestine war.

The SAAADists were the major party in the last parliament which was controlled by a coalition government. King Farouk has been opposed to the WAFDists. He dismissed them from office in 1944 and has often ruled with a strong hand through SAAADist and coalition governments.

Soccer Parlay Winner Will Adopt Children

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., Jan. 4.—(AP)—Albert Ernest Moxon, 50-year-old coal deliveryman, won \$30,351 pounds (\$84,782) Tuesday on a soccer parlay.

What will he do with the money? "We're going to adopt some children and give them the benefits we never had," he said.

Moxon and his wife, Clara, 49, have two children of their own, a daughter, 28, and a son, 15.

TO QUIT STATE POST SALEM, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Mrs. W. F. Loizis, superintendent of the state Hillcrest school for girls for five years, will quit on June 15.

She told the State Board of Control she is resigning because she is going to be married to State Police Lt. Erick Tucker, Portland, next May.

The News-Review

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Street Lighting, Sewer Line For West Roseburg Planned At Session Of City Council

Sewer Survey, Cost Estimates To Be Followed By Public Hearing; Action On East Roseburg Election Deferred

Preliminary surveys for the installation of a sewer system were authorized for West Roseburg, and a proposal for street lighting, as mapped by the West Roseburg Improvement association, was given tentative approval by the city council last night.

The council instructed City Manager M. W. Slankard to work with City Engineer Arthur Boyer in making the surveys and approved \$1,000 for the work. Slankard was also instructed to confer with California-Oregon Power company officials relative to establishing street lights for West Roseburg.

Slankard explained that the sewer survey would be more costly than usual, since street elevations must first be established before the sewer lines can be determined.

If at all feasible the sewage flow will be directed toward the city's present central pumping station and disposal plant. The survey will determine whether or not this will be possible.

For Two Localities The city manager said that the plant is large enough to handle the estimated 100,000 gallons of sewage daily from the West Roseburg area. However, he recommended that improvements be made to the plant which would assure the use of the facilities for both West Roseburg's future development and the added need if East Roseburg votes to come into the city.

The additions proposed would include a sludge digestion tank, larger sludge drying beds and added rock to the filter. This work, he said, should be done anyway to care for the city's ex-

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Admiral Bogan, Demoted, Applies For Retirement

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 4.—(AP)—The commander of the U. S. first task fleet, who authored a letter involved in the armed services unification row, has applied for retirement rather than accept demotion to a rear admiral's post at Jacksonville, Fla.

Vice Admiral Gerald F. Bogan said he had learned through the press that orders were being issued transferring him to the fleet air command at Jacksonville.

The veteran aviator announced in a one-sentence letter released by the 11th naval district yesterday that he was asking to be placed on the retired list, as soon as he is relieved from his present command.

Bogan asserted in a letter—released to newsmen in Washington last October by Capt. Charles G. Crommelin—that policies followed by the defense department under the unification act had failed to achieve top-level unification, had wrecked navy morale and threatened national security.

The letter indirectly started the airing of the unification dispute before a congressional committee.

Bogan told newsmen after release of his retirement request that he planned to "look for a job and that he expected to use the freedom of retirement "to carry on the fight as long as there's a fight to carry."

Bogan, who is 55, commanded the aircraft carrier Saratoga in 1942 and 1943 and later a carrier division in Pacific campaigns.

Former State Senator O. B. Robertson Passes

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Former State Senator O. B. Robertson, 70, retired banker and wool merchant widely known in North Central Oregon, died here yesterday after a long illness. He had been living in recent years at Agate beach.

A native of Turner, he first entered business at Fossil after attending the University of Oregon. Later he moved to Portland and then was in banking at Condon and Mitchell. In 1920 he operated a large Gilliam county sheep ranch and managed the Columbia Basin wool warehouse in that county.

He was a state senator from Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler counties during the 1921-23 regular and special sessions.

His widow, Helen, of Agate beach, and a daughter, Mrs. Bernadine R. Richards, Yamhill, and a son, Jack L., San Francisco, survive.

Man Slain By Wife He Branded As "Too Dumb"

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 4.—(AP)—A plump former WAC told police she shot and killed her husband six months after he told her "Women are too dumb to use a gun."

Police said they found John Howrychak, 35-year-old steelworker, dying on the kitchen floor of his father-in-law's bungalow yesterday when Mrs. Dorothy Ziegler Howrychak, 29, telephoned them "I just shot my husband."

Howrychak died as he was being carried from the house.

In a statement made to detectives, Mrs. Howrychak said the shooting climaxed six months of domestic strife resulting from her husband's jealousy.

Union Official Shot As He Sits In His Home

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4.—(AP)—A laundry union official was wounded last night by an assailant who shot through a living room window and then disappeared.

The victim, Charles Naddoo, 46-year-old vice president of the AFL-Laundry Workers union of Philadelphia, was struck on the left wrist as he sat watching a television movie with three sons.

Naddoo said he could give no reason for the attack.

Most Of State Clad In Light Snow Blanket

Some Areas Get Heavy Snowfall; Local Traffic Slowed By Wintery Cover

Most Oregon residents awoke this morning to find their homes clad with a blanket of snow, but the 29 inch of precipitation measured in Roseburg by weather bureau personnel placed the city far down the list for snow depth.

Although traffic, construction and other outside activity was slowed down this morning, rising temperatures and a possibility of clearing skies is expected later in the day.

The low reading during early hours Wednesday was 32 degrees, a rise of 14 degrees over the season's low of 18 recorded Monday night. Last night's snowfall was the heaviest since 6.5 inches fell Feb. 6 and 7 of last year.

Pendleton Gets 13 inches Elsewhere in the state, Pendleton reported 13 inches of soft, dry snow fell during the night to approach the city record of 15 inches set in 1935. Snow blocked all roads at Hells, 20 miles northeast of Pendleton, with citizens reporting the only transportation is by foot, reports the Associated Press.

Except for some coastal points, the rest of the state reported snowfalls ranging from one to seven inches. Most Willamette valley cities bordering highway 99 were not affected.

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Larceny Charges Jail Man Here

Leo Eugene Craft, 22, of Arvin, Calif., was arraigned in justice court here Tuesday on charges of larceny from a store and larceny of an automobile, reported by Justice of Peace A. J. Geddes. Craft is being held in the county jail under \$1,500 bail on both counts.

Craft is charged in a complaint signed by Chief of Police Calvin Baird with larceny from Caskey's Union garage here. The second complaint, charging larceny of an automobile, was signed by Lockwood Motors.

He was returned to Roseburg by Deputy W. A. Worrall, from Sacramento, Calif., where he was arrested. Upon arraignment he waived preliminary hearing.

Worrall also returned Lloyd James Veach, 22, of Roseburg from Los Angeles. Veach, charged with non-support, is being held under \$200 bail, following his arraignment in justice court, reported Geddes. He also waived preliminary hearing.

Russian General Stages 2nd Walk From Council

By The Associated Press

Russia's Lt. Gen. Derevyanko has again walked out of the Allied council for Japan to avoid hearing charges that 375,000 Japanese war prisoners are still in Russian hands or dead.

The charge was made by the council's American chairman William J. Sebald. Derevyanko walked out four days before Christmas when a similar charge was laid. Russia claims only 19,000 Japanese, classified as "war criminals," are still in Russian hands.

Murder Indictment Faced By Doctor For "Mercy Killing"

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 4.—(AP)—A popular young country doctor was under indictment today on a first degree murder charge in the mercy killing of an incurable cancer patient.

The county grand jury returned the indictment yesterday against Dr. Hermann Sander, 40, father of three children, in the death of Mrs. Abbie Borroto, 59, wife of a Manchester oil salesman.

Among five witnesses appearing before the jury were a nurse who, authorities said, unwittingly assisted the physician in injecting air into his patient's system.

The state charges the air, injected into the veins, hastened the end of the cancer-ridden patient as she lay near death Dec. 4 at county hospital in Goffstown.

Reginald Borroto, husband of the dead woman, said he and his daughter were "terribly saddened" upon hearing of the indictment. Earlier, he had described Dr. Sander as "a great physician."

Reached by phone at his Manchester home, Borroto said: "I think Dr. Sander is the biggest man I ever knew. That ex-

Ending Of Excise Levies, Offset Sought In Message To Congress That Repeats Former Demands

By ERNEST B. VACCARO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—President Truman advocated a "moderate amount" of new taxes today in a glowingly optimistic state of the union message voicing hope of an eventual trillion-dollar economy.

If America keeps growing as it has in the last 50 years, he told Congress, the total national production 50 years hence will be nearly four times what it is now, or at the rate of more than one thousand billions of dollars a year.

In a mixture of humility and pride, Mr. Truman said: "Today, by the grace of God, we stand a free and prosperous nation with greater possibilities for the future than any people have ever had before."

OREGON TO OHIO

Ellsworth Takes Yule Tree East In Half Sections

Grandchildren of U.S. Representative Harris Ellsworth found their Christmas gifts piled under a real Douglas county Christmas tree this year—even though their home in Cleveland, Ohio, is far removed from the land of the Douglas fir.

"Ingenuity which many folks think is quite foreign to the nature of most congressmen was responsible for this county's contribution to the family's recent holiday enjoyment. Desiring of carrying his Christmas tree along with him but forced to conserve space, the Roseburg congressman came up with what may have been the first section al, or divided, yuletide tree.

Cutting the tree in half, Ellsworth placed each part inside a heavy cardboard tube, taken from a roll of linoleum. Upon his arrival in Cleveland, he put the tree back together again, using common tin cans as a sleeve.

Presto! Occupying the place of honor in one Cleveland residence was the Douglas fir—2,657 miles from home.

U. S. Debt Boosted Past \$257 Billion

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The government's debt bonded above \$257,000,000,000 on the final day of 1949, as the current deficit mounted to \$3,299,738,921.52 at the midway point of the fiscal year ending June 30.

The treasury, reporting this today, showed a \$615,712,000 burst of spending for 1949's final operating day, December 31.

The total that day included \$335,000,000 spent by the Veterans Administration, \$90,750,000 by the Air Force, \$74,162,000 by the Agriculture department, \$43,948,000 by the Navy and a \$109,536,000 payment of interests on the debt.

Overriding its income by nearly \$3,300,000,000 in the first half of fiscal 1950, the government moved well on the way toward the \$5,500,000,000 deficit President Truman has estimated for the 12-month period.

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Family Has Close Call In Automobile Upset

Carl Mendezona and his daughter, Ramona, 11 years, narrowly escaped serious injury, when their car skidded on icy pavement at the junction of the Brozio and Garden Valley roads, nine miles from Roseburg, about 10 a.m. Monday.

According to a report from Mrs. Mendezona, the car, in attempting to swerve onto the Garden Valley road, was stuck over the embankment, turned over and came to a stop just before plunging into the swollen Umpqua river. Part of the car was in the water.

Mr. Mendezona managed to get the car door open on the top side and climbed out of the car with the girl, who was knocked unconscious. Her condition, however, was reported as not serious. She also sustained leg bruises.

Mr. Mendezona sustained minor chest injuries.

Bandit And Victim Each Eight Years Of Age

KLAMATH FALLS, Jan. 4.—(AP)—What must be the youngest robbery—in age of the bandit and victim—on record in Klamath Falls was revealed by city police who said an 8-year-old boy was picked up yesterday afternoon for taking \$2 from another 8-year-old.

One youngster reportedly observed the other get two one-dollar bills in change at a local drug store after knocking someone, then followed him to a side street where he demanded a split in the money.

The first boy refused. Whereupon the second drew a pocket-knife and took the \$2.

He was picked up a few minutes later in another drug store—with \$1.35 left—and was taken to the juvenile home.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

If "Misery loves company," as the saying goes, Chiang Kai-shek must be entertaining deep affection for those other hard losers, the coaches of defeated football teams in the bowl classics.



DR. HERMANN SANDER