

THUNDERSTORM BATTERS ROSEBURG AREA

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



E. K. MULKEY, left, of Yoncalla; CHARLES DYAR of Roberts Creek and ROYCE BUSENBARK of Melrose foregathered at an open house held last week by the Interstate Tractor and Equipment company and discussed farm problems. Judging from their expressions, these problems are about to be licked; either that or someone perhaps had just discussed something else in a lighter vein.

White Jail Fugitives Slay 3 Members Of Negro Family, Seriously Wound Two Others

KOSCIUSKO, Miss., Jan. 10.—(AP)—A critically wounded Negro early today gasped out a story that three white men massacred three members of his family after attempting to rape his 14-year-old step-daughter.

The Negro, Thomas Harris, was shot in the back and lung. White possemens combed central Mississippi for two of the white men. A third was captured yesterday.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE teletypes that click away, hour in and hour out, in the newspaper offices tell many a strange story. Here is one of them:

DOWN in the lower Willamette valley in the wee, small hours of the morning, 60-year-old William F. Grummons of Beaverton was driving along in his pickup truck through the nearby village of Cornelius.

As he approached an intersection of the village's Main street some need to turn around and proceed in the opposite direction arose. What the need was doesn't matter. The legal way to have done what he wanted to do would have been to make a right turn

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CIO Wins Election At Weyerhaeuser Plants

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 10.—(AP)—Workers at Weyerhaeuser Lumber, Pulp and Logging operations in this area named the CIO Woodworkers as their bargaining agent in a special MLRB election yesterday.

The CIO polled 265 votes, the AFL 219.

The national labor relations board had ordered the balloting after suggesting that integrated lumber operations under one management could best be served by one union. The order followed a hearing in which various craft unions of the AFL claimed jurisdiction over several job classifications at the Springfield Lumber and Pulp mill.

Besides the votes for the CIO and AFL, there were 10 votes for no union. Eighteen other ballots were challenged and one was void.

POLIO EXPENSE MOUNTING

Higher Costs Of Service Stressed At Meet To Plan Drive In Douglas County

It takes 30 cents today to do the work a dime would do a few years ago.

A. G. Henninger stressed this point Monday night as he addressed workers preparing for Douglas county's participation in the annual March of Dimes. Henninger, chairman of the county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, conducted the meeting held at the Umpqua hotel, where county chairmen were instructed in plans for the campaign and were issued supplies for use in their respective communities.

Pointing out that hospital charges have been boosted from the prewar \$5 per day to more than \$13 per day, and that all professional services, materials, and supplies have gone up in like proportion, Henninger stressed the importance of work to raise much more money than in any previous year. He also called attention to the fact that the county chapter has been called upon for more money than was raised last year in treating approximately 15 cases, and that two of these cases have been very expensive. The bill for one alone, he said, amounted to almost \$1,000 for only two months of treatment and that care must be provided for

many more months. The chapter was able to pay all bills only because of a reserve fund from former years, the chairman said. He added that unless a much larger quota is raised this year than ever before, the chapter will have difficulty in handling its heavy case load.

Workers were wet-eyed as they listened to Mrs. Lee Marshall of Roseburg tell what the Infantile Paralysis Foundation means to her.

The young mother of four children, she was completely paralyzed when stricken with polio a

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy with rain showers today becoming mixed with snow. Colder tonight and
Sunset today 4:57 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:44 a. m.

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Near-Hurricane Lashes Northwest Coasts

Succeeding Blizzard Hits Inland Oregon

72-Mile Wind Velocity Rakes Redmond; Snow On Santiam Routs Plows

(By The Associated Press)
Howling winds of near-hurricane force raked the coasts of Oregon and Washington early today, then swept inland to become a blizzard.

Whole areas were left isolated in the coastal battering, and inland regions were fast being knocked out as the storm raced to the southeast.

Thirty inches of snow fell in the Santiam pass of the Cascade mountains in Oregon, and snow-plow crews gave up. Elsewhere east of the Cascades the snow was falling fast and drifting badly.

A bus with seven passengers was trapped when the blizzard hit the Santiam pass, but all made their way to shelter. They are safe and have food, but their rescue will await the end of the storm.

Through the night much of the Oregon coast and the upper Olympic peninsula in Washington was cut off entirely from communication.

The leading edge of the storm, which started in the Gulf of Alaska, moved into the high plateau region of eastern Oregon in mid-morning and raced on to

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Democrats See Little Chance Of Defeating Taft

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Democratic leaders are reported to have marked down as less than even their chances of defeating Republican Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio and Forrester Taft and Donnell are top targets for the administration in this year's campaign. Nevertheless, a quiet survey is said to have convinced some members of the Senate Democratic campaign committee that they can harvest more results elsewhere.

With the present Senate margin standing 54 to 42 in favor of the Democrats, Republicans would have to pick up a net of seven seats to win control.

Senator Brewster of Maine, the Republican Senatorial campaign chairman, told reporters he thinks a swing is developing toward his party which, if it continues, would land Republicans in those seven seats.

Brewster said a new feeling of unity was being demonstrated among Republicans in their attempts to draft a statement of principles for the Congressional drive. He said that if it continues, such a statement should help party candidates this fall.

Against Brewster's optimistic prediction of a seven-seat gain in the Senate for the Republicans, Senator Kerr (D-Okla.) placed a counter-claim that the Democrats will pick up five seats.

Two re-appointment orders were signed by the Douglas county board Monday.

Cleo Tipton was reappointed to the Douglas county fair board for a three-year term, beginning Jan. 1, 1950. He was originally appointed to the post July 26, 1949, to fill an unexpired term left vacant by Lawrence Roberts.

Arthur Marsh was reappointed to the budget committee for Douglas county for a three-year term, dating back to July 1, 1949. His term expired June 30, 1949.

Auto Kills Pedestrian; Son Involved As Driver

CUMBERLAND, Md., Jan. 10.—(AP)—The lights of that other car "blinded me," Walter S. Nyman, 39, told police yesterday after his car had struck and killed 64-year-old Abraham Teter who was walking along the side of a road about a mile from his home.

The driver of "the other car" was identified by police as Byron Teter, the victim's 22-year-old son.

No charges were filed pending a further investigation.

Penitentiary Term Meted To Dillard Man

Meredith Roberts, 30, Dillard, charged with obtaining money and personal property by false pretenses, was sentenced to serve three years in the state penitentiary when he appeared before Judge Carl E. Wimberly Monday.

Armored Cars, Tanks Loaded In U. S. For Formosa

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Ninety carloads of tanks and armored cars consigned to the Chinese government at Formosa were loaded aboard a Philadelphia freighter at a Philadelphia pier today.

Agents for the ship, B. H. Soberman & Co., Inc., said the ship will depart next week. The agents declined to give detailed information on the consignment, stating an agreement with the Turkish company prohibits release of any news reports to the press.

A railroad spokesman said the tanks and armored cars came "from some government storage place in Ohio."

Walkouts Of Miners Grow; Congress Acts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Twin moves shaped up in Congress today to provide new legal tools for dealing with John L. Lewis.

One was a resolution due to be introduced by Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) asking President Truman to invoke his emergency powers under the Taft-Hartley law to end the present three-day coal mining week.

The other was the suggestion by Senator Robertson (D-Va.) that the senate banking committee sponsor a move to apply the anti-trust laws to labor unions. This was to be discussed by the committee today.

Lewis, meanwhile, stuck to his position that mine owners sign on the United Mine Workers' terms. Those are a 95-cent daily wage boost for miners now receiving \$14.05 and a 15-cent increase in the present 20-cent tonnage royalty for the miners' welfare fund.

Most of the coal operators have balked at these demands as too costly. Their fight with Lewis

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U. S. Sends Help To Flying Arrow

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Defense Secretary Johnson said today that U. S. destroyers have orders (1) to help the steamer Flying Arrow reach any port but Shanghai, and (2) to leave immediately if the vessel proceeds toward Shanghai.

Two destroyers are standing by the Isbrandson line freighter of the China coast. The Flying Arrow was shelled yesterday by a Chinese nationalist gunboat blockading Communist-held Shanghai.

(The Chinese Nationalist foreign office expressed hope tonight the Flying Arrow incident would not affect friendly feelings between the Chinese and American peoples. In a formal statement the foreign office said the American freighter was shelled yesterday by a Nationalist warship "when she sailed into the closed area of Chinese territorial waters in the Yangtze estuary," despite warnings to stay away.

(The foreign office said the gunners took "care that no injury would be done to lives on board" the Flying Arrow.)

Economy Cry In Congress Grows Louder

Demands For Reducing Truman Budget Voiced Almost Unanimously

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—A congressional economy clamor grew louder today around President Truman's \$42,000,000,000 out-of-balance budget.

Nearly all the Senators and House members were saying openly or behind their hands that spending will be too high, the deficit will be too big and they ought to get out the ax and go to work on the budget.

Yet in years past all that talk of economy in January often has turned out to be still just that in June—still just talk. And some lawmakers are aware that this year's economy campaign also could turn out to be more talk than action.

Senator Aiken (R-Vt.) summed up that point of view: "I had been anticipating a deficit. And it is going to be difficult to pare it in this election year. We may be able to make some reduction but not to any great extent."

Nor were there any loud calls for a hefty tax increase, or even for the "moderate" one Mr. Truman keeps asking for. A tax

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Korean Student, "Honor" Slayer, Tries Hari-Kari

DUBUQUE, Iowa, Jan. 10.—(AP)—A Korean student, held in jail for questioning in what he called the "code of honor" killing, slashed his hari-kari fashion with a broken glass yesterday. He was in critical condition.

Police Chief Joseph H. Strub said Duk Sang Chol, 36, slashed his wrists and laid open his abdomen with glass from a broken pair of spectacles.

Strub said Duk, being held on an open charge in the razor slaying of a fellow Korean student, made the suicide attempt in his jail cell. He asked for the glass, Strub said, for use in reading his Bible.

Strub said Duk had readily admitted killing his good friend, Chun Keng Oh, 24. The attack took place last Friday in Chun's dormitory room at the University of Dubuque where both were students.

Duk explained the killing with a straight edge razor was done under the oriental code of honor, Strub said. Duk said he accused Chun of cashing a \$6.40 check belonging to Duk, Strub related, but that Chun denied it. He quoted Duk further as saying: "I told him that I believed he did not cash the check. I told him that . . . I wanted to be friends. But I saw that he did not believe me so I cut him."

Drunk Driver Draws \$150 Fine, Jail Stretch

A fine of \$150 and a 30-day jail sentence was meted out to Herbert Warren Muma, Roseburg, yesterday when he was found guilty in municipal court on a drunk driving charge, reported Judge Ira B. Riddle.

Muma also had his operator's license revoked for a period of one year.

TIMBER PRICE SOARS

Umpqua Forest Auction Produces Heaviest Bids Of Postwar Era's Boom

The highest price for timber since the immediate postwar boom period was bid in spirited competition between two large lumbering firms in an Umpqua National Forest auction conducted at the local office here Monday afternoon.

Supervisor M. M. "Red" Nelson reported that Bohemia Lumber Co. was the high bidder for an estimated 17,000,000 board feet of timber in a tract on Brice creek 25 miles east of Cottage Grove in Lane county.

IWA By-Passes Pensions To Urge Health Program

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The CIO Woodworkers will by-pass pension demands this year to concentrate on improving health, welfare and holiday clauses in their contracts.

Possible wage increase demands were not mentioned by James Faddling, president of the CIO International Woodworkers of America, last night as he disclosed the 1950 goals.

The aims were drawn by union leaders here in a weekend meeting. They will affect 50,000 IWA members in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Negotiations are expected to start with 675 companies in February.

Faddling said the question of pensions would be studied further. He added that the health and welfare demands "can be granted by any type of employer in the industry, whether it be large or small operations, long-term or short-term operations."

He insisted that the present price of lumber permitted the expense. Previous IWA demands for such benefits have been unsuccessful.

Faddling said the goals were: 1—employer-paid life insurance; 2—employer-paid hospital and surgical service insurance; 3—\$40 a week sick benefit; 4—paid holidays; 5—pay for idled workers to make up the difference between the state workmen's compensation allowances and \$40 a week.

Faddling referred to the pension proposal of the Weyerhaeuser timber company, announced last week. The union chief said this would be "explored to the fullest extent for such stable operations."

The rival AFL Lumber and Sawmill workers had announced last month that \$10 a month old age pensions would be an objective of its 1950 negotiations.

Relocation Job Near Lookout Pt. Dam Awarded

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(AP)—A \$2,064,758 contract for relocation of a highway and railroad line near Lookout point dam went today to Leonard-Slate-Hall Co.

Col. Donald S. Burns, Portland district engineer, said it was the seventh relocation project at the dam site on the middle fork of the Willamette river.

The company winning the award is a combination of the Leonard & Slate Oregon, Ltd., firm and the E. C. Hall company, both of Portland.

The work involves relocating two miles of the Southern Pacific railroad and two miles of state highway 58. Completion time is 550 calendar days.

City Streets Awash, River Up Five Feet

Sewers Flooded Beyond Capacity; Deer Creek Laps At Some Doorsteps

A total of 1.28 inches of rain fell between 8 p. m. Monday and 8 a. m. in the Roseburg area today, raising the Umpqua river rapidly, flooding small streams, and taxing the city's sewers beyond their limit.

The Umpqua raised five feet between 5 p. m. yesterday and 8 a. m. today at the Roseburg sewage disposal plant, according to City Manager M. W. Slankard. The river is continuing to raise rapidly, with runoff of surface water.

Possibilities of a general flood was questionable, however. Reports from the U. S. Weather bureau show that snow is falling in the higher elevations. A drop in temperature is expected to change the rain into mixed snow and rain in the lower elevations.

Unless there is another change to warm weather, the general consensus is that the flood conditions will subside, as soon as the surface water is taken care of.

A miniature cloudburst was reported between 4 and 5 a. m. today, with wind velocity estimated at between 30 and 40 miles per hour. While this is low compared with the blows in other parts of the Pacific Northwest, where it ranged up to 70 miles per hour, this velocity is very high for Roseburg, the Weather Bureau reports.

State police say highway con-

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Federal White Woman, Negro In Love Piracy Suit

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Miss Ruth Weyand, a white government lawyer, remained silent today on charges of an "illicit love affair" with a Negro woman.

The Negro woman, Mrs. Olive J. Perry, sued Miss Weyand for \$50,000 yesterday in District court for alienating the affections of Leslie S. Perry.

Miss Weyand, assistant general counsel of the National Labor relations board, handles the board's supreme court cases.

Mrs. Perry's suit said a child, named in the complaint as Perry Weyand, was born in the course of the alleged "illicit love affair."

Perry, who is legislative representative of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored people, also refused to comment on the suit. He said his wife obtained a divorce in the Virgin Islands last August.

Mrs. Perry said Miss Weyand who she described as "a single person of great wealth" spent four years "scheming" to alienate her husband's affections, gave him "a lot of trouble" and other gifts, and willed him all her estate.

Miss Weyand joined the NLRB in 1938 and has won important labor decisions before the Supreme court. Born in Grinnell, Iowa, she was graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1930 and received a doctor of jurisprudence degree from the University of Chicago law school in 1932.

Japanese File Claims For Wartime Losses

SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Western Washington Japanese have filed claims totaling an estimated \$4,000,000 for losses incurred by their wartime removal to relocation camps.

The estimate was prepared by Quilliam Y. Mimbu, who said he had prepared claims for 451 persons totaling \$2,834,925. Some 900 claims have been filed altogether, he said.

Mimbu said two big claims from Willapa harbor are based on the loss of oysters from the beds while owners were in relocation camps. Others are for the loss of wages and income that would have been earned. And for life insurance losses (policies lapsed before death because the holders could not maintain premiums while in camps).

Retail Trade Assn. Will Hear Sales Consultant

There will be a regular meeting of the Roseburg Retail Trade association Wednesday noon at the Hotel Umpqua.

Featured speaker will be Thomas A. Thompson, representing Norm Davis Sales Consultant firm of Portland. Thompson will outline the course of study to be offered in February by his firm for all persons interested or engaged in selling.

Roland West, president of the Roseburg trade group, said all local retail merchants or sales persons are invited to attend the meeting.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Summarizing the U. S. policy toward Formosa:

Defense aid—Hand off.

Economic aid—Handout.

Ultimate loser—American taxpayer.



41 PERISH IN HOSPITAL BLAZE—Heavy duty equipment moves in to probe and clear the still smoldering ruins of the women's mental building of Mercy hospital at Davenport, Ia., after a flash fire turned the 40-year-old building into a raging death trap. Forty-one persons perished in the blaze.