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## GRATEFUL TO POLICE

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Police officers doubtless wish at times that newspaper reporters and photographers did not exist. Just about the time the police officer is the busiest, he finds the reporter on the job demanding all the answers. No matter how rushed he may be, the officer must take time to give the reporter the material he needs for his "yarn." In the meantime, the photographer is busy shooting pictures and the officer must be sure that the photographer doesn't tramp around where he will destroy clues, or include in his pictures something that, for purposes of investigation, should not be published.

All members of *The News-Review* staff are under instructions to cooperate with the police in every way possible while still reporting the news. Yet we are aware that the demands from the press must irritate peace officers at times.

Despite any irritation, however, *The News-Review* enjoys exceptionally fine cooperation from all police agencies and individual peace officers in this area. This condition is especially appreciated as we read in trade magazines of some less favorable relations elsewhere.

One of our magazines tells how in an eastern city four newspaper cameramen were roughed-up by the police and their equipment smashed when they attempted to make a picture of an automobile impounded in connection with a hit-run case.

Other instances have been reported in which newsmen and photographers have suffered bodily assault from police officers.

As we read of these cases we can be doubly appreciative of the courtesy and cooperation received from local officers.

We realize, too, that reporters and cameramen are not always deserving. The reporter and press cameraman are generally recognized to have certain rights which cannot be extended to the general public. They usually are passed through fire lines, permitted to inspect scenes of wrecks and disasters, allowed to risk their own lives in areas from which the public has been evacuated because of storm, fire, disaster, etc. But, upon occasion, newsmen will be found who abuse their privilege and show no appreciation for courtesies normally granted them by peace officers.

On the other hand, police have no moral right to deny newsmen full access to the news, either in words or pictures.

Reporting police and crime news frequently raises problems for the newspaper. The average newspaper insists upon publishing all the news to which the public is entitled. Yet, at times, to publish all the facts might handicap officers in the apprehension of a criminal.

The newspaper in such cases must decide whether certain information shall be withheld temporarily to give officers opportunity to capture the criminal or to publish all details and perhaps give the criminal a chance to escape.

These cases demand the utmost confidence between peace officers and newsmen, and it is here that our local officers have best demonstrated their cooperation with *The News-Review*. Our reporters on numerous occasions have been trusted with secret information, have been given progress reports, publication of which would seriously complicate criminal investigation, and have, in general been kept abreast of information available to police. *The News-Review*, in turn, has endeavored to give its readers all the information possible without interfering with the processes of law and order, and when no reason existed for further withholding of important details, has given the public the full story.

This, we believe, is the ideal situation. It can exist only when newsmen and peace officers are in full cooperation. As we read of friction between the press and police in some other communities, we are extremely grateful for the many courtesies, aid and trust from the police and court officers of our own area.

## Dikes Planned To Protect Klamath Area Wildlife

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Fish and Wildlife Service proposes to reconstruct dikes to protect the lower Klamath national wildlife refuge in Northern California.

Albert M. Day, director of the service, has asked the House Appropriations subcommittee handling the Interior, department budget to grant \$150,000 for the work. Day said that the refuge becomes a death trap for thousands of ducks and geese because it is located on a reclamation project

where deadly botulism, a form of poisoning, strikes year after year.

Dikes that were constructed there deteriorated during the war and a serious botulism outbreak occurred a year ago.

"Reconstruction of the dikes will not only go far toward curing this recurrent trouble," Day said, "but will vastly improve the management of this highly important refuge."

The committee's recommendation is to be made public later.

## Unidentified Sub Prowls Near U. S. Base In Alaska

KODIAK, Alaska—(AP)—A cloak of official secrecy shrouds reports that an unidentified submarine was sighted Sunday lurking within a half mile of one of the navy's far northern bases.

The report was made by five civil aeronautics administration crewmen, who said they saw the sub from Woody Island, one of five a short distance off shore. All were interviewed by high-ranking naval officers and said later they had been instructed to divulge no details.

Admiral F. D. Wagner, commandant of the 17th naval district gave newsmen a terse "no comment."

Planes were sent out to search the area but result of the search was not disclosed.

Official sources did not link

## Out of Sight, Out of Mind



## Scams from the MENDING BASKET

By Viannett S. Martin

Wilfred Brown of Hollywood and Camas Valley very kindly took time out from writing the news for that program that "fixes" in order to send a most interesting letter to this column answering the query about the Sunnydale School and Tin Pot.

The schoolhouse mentioned in *Oregon Pioneers* by Rollin Dickerson was at that time known as the Tin Pot school, later Sunnydale. The district has been for several years consolidated with Drain, but the building is still there and, Mr. Brown thinks, used now as a Grange hall. I was delighted to hear how Tin Pot came by its name!

"The curious name of Tin Pot," says Mr. Brown, "by which that pleasant little valley was known for fifty years and more after it was first settled, is reported to have resulted from an incident that occurred during the first surveying of the lines of the donation claim."

"The cook of the surveyors' camp, so the story goes, was much pestered by a stray dog which swiped everything it could grab in the way of 'vittles.' The exasperated cook finally tied a worn tin pot to the poor crea-

ture's tail, and, it is said, the dog ran yelping the full length of the valley with the pot banging along behind it.

"The surveyors," continues Mr. Brown, "lacking more imagination, named the valley Tin Pot. The old settlers were quite outraged when the local schoolboard, which included some 'newcomers,' decided that Tin Pot lacked aesthetic qualities, and named the school the 'Sunnydale school,' about 50 years ago. They even had a sign painted saying it was the Sunnydale school . . . gradually the name came to be accepted."

"Just to the north of Tin Pot is another small valley which was called Hardscrabble, apparently from the difficulties the early settlers had in getting in and out of it in muddy weather—and possibly in earning a living as well. The father of H. H. Davis, author of 'Honey in the Horn,' once taught Hardscrabble school. Davis himself was born at Yoncalla . . . Hardscrabble is now called Eureka, although the stream which flows out of the valley and runs into Elk creek is still called Hardscrabble Creek."

Thanks very much, Wilfred Brown!

## Hal Boyle Says: Hypnotism Is Best Solution To Your Marital Problems

NEW YORK—(AP)—Have you hypnotized your wife or husband? Why not? This is the best solution of everybody's marital problems yet dreamed up.

A New York professor recently indicated that problems of this nature can be solved by the mumbo-jumbo of hypnotism.

He didn't say it quite like that. But he did say that he could hypnotize a gent, snap him out of it and yet still have the guy come back by post-hypnotic suggestion at 3 o'clock the following afternoon to pet a big black dog that wasn't there.

I say that this opens the answer to all the problems of the western world, which are largely male versus female rather than American against Russian. (The Russians must have as much trouble getting along with their wives as we do.)

Personally, fellows, regardless of what you do, I am either going to learn to hypnotize my wife or hire a man to do it for me. How can a guy afford not to? You take the average wife. What does she give you but a lot of common sense and "love's old sweet yelp?" She has no real appreciation of the mysteries of life that makes existence worth enduring—for the male. Her life is ruled by a crass sense of man's injustice, which is the mixed product of lady loneliness, lady insufficiency, and lady propriety. For all this she blames her husband.

A wife not only insists on being boss, but she demands that she not be alone. This is the fatal foolishness that all dictators get caught with: They never realize that power is a solitary enterprise—that nobody is going to admire them merely for their muscle. It is also needless to point out that wives are the soft instruments of power in our civilization. Why remark again upon

## In the Day's News

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They are like the salesman whose strongest argument is that HE WILL MAKE AN AWFULLY NICE COMMISSION FOR HIMSELF if he can only talk the customer into buying the merchandise.

Any expert on salesmanship will tell you that is wrong. The customer doesn't care a hoot what it will do for the salesman. The customer is solely interested in what the merchandise that is under consideration will do for HIM.

If we are going to keep free enterprise in the country, we're going to have to convince the kind of people who HAVE THE MOST VOTES that free enterprise will be better for them than the creeping socialism we seem to be headed for.

If that isn't dead, free enterprise is a dead duck.

HERE'S an interesting dispatch from China:

"Nan Han-Chen, a member of the COMMUNIST People's bank of Nanking, recently told a group of officials that North China farmers are paying at least 20 percent of their TOTAL PRODUCTION in taxes."

"He added that it takes the taxes of 30 farmers merely to feed and clothe one soldier, exclusive of ammunition."

THE dispatch is interesting, I'd say, because it indicates that in China the commies are going to have quite a job in convincing the Chinese farmers that COMMUNISM IS GOOD FOR THEM. Under the circumstances described in this dispatch, it looks like in China the communists are for communism because it is GOOD FOR THEM. I wouldn't blame the Chinese farmer if he were skeptical of the communist arguments.

ANYWAY, if we're going to keep a free enterprise over here, we've got to make it perfectly clear that free enterprise is better for ALL THE PEOPLE and not just better for business people.

## Two Of KRNR Staff To Attend Assn. Meet

Two representatives of radio station KRNR will be among Oregon radio men to attend the annual meeting of the Oregon State Broadcasters association, to be held on the University of Oregon campus Feb. 10-11.

They are LeRoy Hiatt, station manager, and Warren Ward, commercial manager.

Special features of the two-day conference will include a joint luncheon with the Eugene Chamber of Commerce Feb. 10. The newly completed campus radio station will be the site of a radio student-produced play, "Macbeth," to be broadcast from Villard hall studio.

Guest speaker for the Saturday night banquet will be Gov. Douglas McKay, who will also participate in ceremonies dedicating new campus buildings, slated for Friday.

## BENSON PACK TO MEET

The Benson Cub Scout pack No. 334 will meet today at 7:30 p. m. at the Rollett skating rink. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 followed by a skating period for the boys and their parents.

## Decline In Buying Power Of Farmer Endangers Nation's Economy, Brannan Warns

By FRANCIS M. LEMAY

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Brannan has sounded a warning that the nation's entire economy is being endangered by a \$2,000,000,000-a-year drop in farmers' purchasing power.

In terms of 1947 dollars, farm families have been losing purchasing power at that rate for two years, Brannan told a House committee.

"It could drop another \$2,000,000,000 in 1950, or another 15 percent, if farm prices aren't improved," he said, adding: "I cannot conceive of a growing economy during a period when agriculture is going through an economic winter. We must guard against that."

Brannan's statement was released by the house appropriations committee. He made it as he appeared before a subcommittee to argue for his department's appropriation for the next year.

He put in a plug for the "Brannan plan" to set up a system of direct government subsidies for the producers of many farm products.

There he met immediate opposition, with some subcommittee members arguing that the cost of such a program might run as high as \$30,000,000 a year.

Under Brannan's plan many farm commodities would be allowed to sell at what the markets would pay, with the government supplementing farmers' income by production payments or subsidies.

Subcommittee chairman Whitten (D-Miss) argued that the farmer should get his income in the market place, instead of from a subsidy.

Several committee members told Brannan they want to strengthen the present program instead of shifting to subsidies. Farm price supports have come to the treasury only \$1,000,000,000 in 10 years, he said.

Brannan testified that "while farm income has come down more than 20 per cent since 1947, the personal incomes of non-farm people have gone up 10 per cent. Then he gave some details.

"How well are farmers doing? They are still making more than twice as much money as before the war. But everybody else seems to be doing as well or better and, actually, farmers have been making less money every year for the past few years."

"Last year they had less than four-fifths as much as in 1947. Next year they may have only two-thirds as much as in 1947."

"Since 1947, gross farm cash income has fallen more than \$2,000,000,000, and cash expenses have gone up by more than \$1,000,000,000."

Must Heed Warning Signs Although the trends have not impressed all the citizens. Brannan said.

## Dillard

By MRS. ROSA HEINBACH Velma Post, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Post, was home sick with a throat and ear infection last week. She is reported to be recovering satisfactorily and back in school.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Post entertained with a birthday dinner Sunday honoring the seventh birthday of their daughter, Betty Jean. Her cousin, Mrs. Vivian Burgess, presented her with a birthday cake. Covers were placed for Miss Margie Lee Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Post, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Burgess, and two children, the host and hostess, and children Velma and Bobby, and the honored guest, Betty Jean.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Clark and two children of Lebanon are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Belle Clark, and aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barnes, and family all of Dillard, for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Anderson of Boise, Ida., have been visiting at the William C. Heinbach home. Mrs. Anderson is an old-time school chum of Mrs. Heinbach. They are returning from California.

Mrs. Steve Ruthschman returned to her home in Dillard Saturday night with her baby son, Marshall Adair, who weighed seven pounds fifteen and one-half ounces at birth, Jan. 17. Mrs. Ruthschman is a sister of Mrs. E. O. Nickerson of Dillard.

Mrs. Leo Willis left by train Saturday night for Portland to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Harriet Young. Mrs. Young is the grandmother of Mrs. Harry Bratsch of Dillard. Mrs. Don Martyn of Roseburg, Mrs. R. L. Swanson, Harold Thomas and Lew Thomas of Winston.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Andrus and daughter, Sharon, of Eugene, formerly of Dillard, spent Sunday visiting Mr. R. Selby family and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Thomas.

Mrs. Ruby Holloway of Ashland came to the Paul Hult home here and accompanied the Hults to Drail to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hult's father, Claude Patchen on Saturday, Jan. 21. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Krewson of Myrtle Point came over Saturday to attend the funeral of Claude Patchen.

## SUES ON ACCOUNT

Paul W. Barcus and others, doing business as Barcus Sales and Service, filed suit in circuit court Tuesday, demanding judgment for \$236.96, plus interest and costs, from E. E. Kittleman, for alleged non-payment of the balance due for automotive parts and other materials.

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## Students Admit Making Bombs At Rice Institute

HOUSTON, Jan. 25 — (AP) — Police said three sophomore engineering students have admitted making two homemade bombs at Rice Institute. They deny having had anything to do with Saturday's dormitory explosion. Names were withheld. A homemade bomb caused \$1,000 damage to Rice's east hall dormitory for men early Saturday. There were no injuries.

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