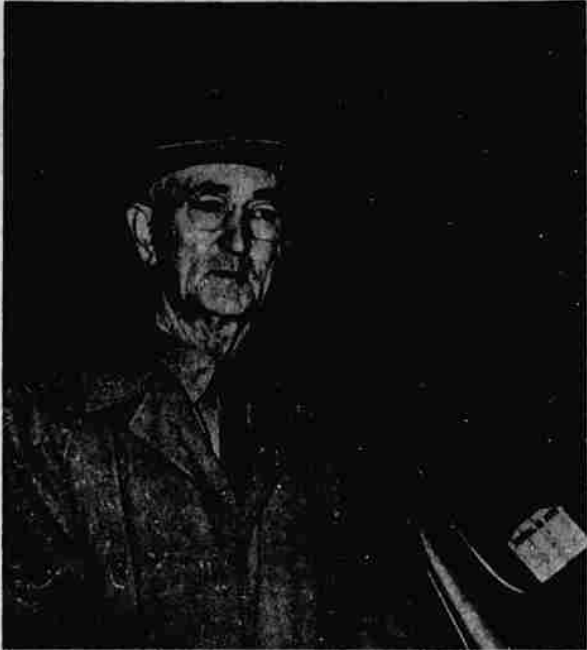


WALLACE GREEN CHARGED WITH MURDER

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



W. R. DENTON, farmer, lives in Garden Valley at Brown's bridge. He is pictured as he stood recently beside his car in front of the courthouse where, as the sticker on the windshield indicates, he was serving jury duty. A fine dry snow was sifting down from the heavens at the moment, commencing one of the dozens of snowfalls which at least have added variety to the winter climate we enjoy here. Or should I have said we enjoy it.

Mr. Denton came to Roseburg with his family in 1942 from Corinth, Mississippi. He loves to fish and hunt but greatly misses in this country a sport he was very fond of in Mississippi—fox hunting. "We hunted them just any old way," he told me, "on horseback, on foot, in motorcycles and in cars, using Walker hounds for the most part. The foxes were extremely numerous, having been protected for many years for hunting purposes. Finally they became infected with rabies and then new laws had to be passed allowing great numbers of them to be killed." Conservation has a way of backfiring now and then, hasn't it.

POPULAR VOTE STRESSED

Senate Begins Debate On Plan To Abolish Electoral College, Also Unit Rule

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—A split in party lines was reported today on the question of doing away with the electoral college in the election of a President and Vice President.

The report came from Senator Lodge (R-Mass.), the chief sponsor of a constitutional amendment which would drastically change the nation's traditional method of electing a chief executive.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

YOU may remember the name Wayne Richardson. He's a correspondent (AP). He boarded the American merchant ship Flying Arrow in Hong Kong a while back and rode it through the blockade shooting, landing eventually in Shantung. He got ashore while the boat was unloading cargo, and spent four days talking to the Shantung Chinese, who are now ruled by the communists.

Since he is a trained correspondent, seeking only such facts as he can find, caring not a tinker's dam for propaganda, what he tells us is interesting.

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India Becomes Democratic Republic After 178 Years Of Allegiance To Great Britain

NEW DELHI, India, Jan. 26.—(AP)—India today inaugurated her first president and became a sovereign democratic republic. The installation of 64-year-old Rajendra Prasad, veteran disciple of Mohandas Gandhi, ended the allegiance that for 178 years the vast Asian sub-continent has paid, willingly or otherwise, to Britain's king.

The new republic of India, remains, however, a voluntary economic and political member of the British commonwealth. India joined the commonwealth Aug. 15, 1947, when she and Pakistan became sovereign dominions.

Indians insisted on fulfilling their dream of setting up a sovereign republic. Pakistan has remained a British dominion. Gunfire meanwhile was occasioned elsewhere in India by the inaugural. In Bombay today police fired nine shots to disperse an anti-republic demonstration organized by Communists.

The police said eight of their men and one girl were injured by the mob.

Prasad, in his inaugural address, offered thanks to Gandhi as the father of the nation and to "the numberless men and women who by their suffering and sacrifice rendered the attainment of independence and the establishment of this sovereign

DR. RAJENDRA PRASAD
India's First President

The Weather
Cloudy with rain showers today, tonight and Friday. Slightly warmer.
Sunset today 5:17 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:34 a. m.

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Acheson's Pat For Hiss Stirs G.O.P. Wrath

Head Of State Dept. Blasted By Sen. Mundt

Acheson Announces He Doesn't Intend To Turn His Back On Alger Hiss

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson's sudden famous statement that "I do not intend to turn my back on Alger Hiss" stirred Republican wrath today.

A number of those who have been arguing that the Roosevelt- Truman administration have been "soft" toward Communism prepared to follow the lead of Senator Mundt (R-SD).

Mundt directed a three-hour attack on Hiss, Acheson and administration foreign policies last night in the Senate.

Of Acheson's statement that he wouldn't turn his back on Hiss, Mundt said: "It is the position of his back that the Americans would like to know is how far Dean Acheson has permitted Hiss to influence his mind."

Senator McCarthy (R-Wis.) wanted to know whether Acheson's statement might be an indication that the Secretary of State is also telling the world

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U. Of O. Group To Visit Roseburg

The University of Oregon is coming to Roseburg Thursday, Feb. 2, by delegation consisting of President Harry K. Newburn and others, including an athletic department representative.

The delegation will appear at the Roseburg senior high school Thursday morning at the Rotary club at noon and at a joint Alumni association-Oregon Mothers club-Lions club banquet meeting at the Hotel Umpqua Thursday evening.

U. of O. alumni, former students, mothers and fathers of currently enrolled U. of O. students and members of the Roseburg Lions club will be contacted by direct mail and tickets will be on sale for the banquet starting Saturday of this week at the Hotel Umpqua, Roy Young's office and at Roseburg Refrigeration.

Thursday evening banquet plans are being handled by the Mothers club with the assistance of members and president Mrs. H. O. St. Onge, chairman Mrs. Harold Horn, and by Douglas County Alumni association director George Luoma.

Later Opening Of Trout Season Sought By Club

The Roseburg Rod and Gun club will ask that the 1950 trout season in the Umpqua river system be opened May 1 instead of April 15, as proposed in the game commission's tentative regulations, Kenneth Gilkeson, president, reported today.

The later opening, Gilkeson said is desired to permit escapement of steelhead and cutthroat brood fish, following the spawning period.

The May 1 opening would correspond with the date tentatively set for the McKenzie and Rogue rivers.

A letter containing the Roseburg club's recommendation has been forwarded to the commission, which meets Friday to set final rules, Gilkeson said.

Teen-Ager Penalized On Hit-And-Run Incident

A teen-age driver was fined \$10 and had his operators license suspended for 60 days today, when he pleaded guilty in justice court to a hit-and-run charge involving a steelhead and cutthroat brood fish, following the spawning period.

State police reported the youth struck a late model sedan owned by John W. Howard, Rt. 4, Roseburg. The accident occurred in the 100 block on S. Stephens street. The 16-year-old youth was arrested outside the city limits by state police.

BEAT DAD AT POKER

Bill Hart Jr. Testifies How He Won Ranch

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Bill Hart Jr., says he once won the 250,000 Horeshoe ranch from his father in a poker game.

"It was in 1934 when I was 12 and dad set out to teach me to play draw poker," he testified yesterday in his suit to share in his father's million-dollar estate.

"He explained the rules then dealt the cards and asked what I wanted to draw."

"I said I'd stand pat, but he shook his head and said, 'you're supposed to draw, son.' When I wouldn't draw he said:

"I'm going to teach you a lesson. Go ahead and bet."

Young Hart said he bet his stamp collection and finally his coin collection. Finally his father said:

"Tell you what, I'll bet you the whole ranch if you'll throw in your Scotty dog, Penny."

"So I called him the dog," Hart Jr. said, "and dad laid down two pairs, sevens and tens. But I had a full house—three Jacks and two deuces. Dad shouted:

"You win. But you'd have the ranch anyway after I'm gone, so I guess it doesn't matter."

The late cowboy actor will most of his estate, including the ranch, to the county for a public park.

Chrysler Strike May Last Month

DETROIT, Jan. 26.—(AP)—The CIO united auto workers faced up to a possibly long strike today for the kind of pension plan they want from Chrysler.

Some union sources said the strike, which started yesterday, might last at least a month. It immediately idled 106,000 workers.

State and federal labor mediators, however, expressed hope that bargaining talks could be resumed this week.

Both company and union representatives said they were willing to return any time the mediators arranged a meeting.

At a dead stop was the daily production of 7,000 automobiles by Chrysler, one of the industry's three top producers. Chrysler's major rivals are Ford and General Motors.

Basically, the company-union fight was over the form and administration of \$100 million pensions.

After negotiations covering half a year's time, Chrysler offered the pensions. But the union objected to the conditions.

The walkout affected 85,000 Chrysler production workers, most of them in Michigan. The company makes Chrysler, DeSoto, Plymouth and Dodge cars.

Coal Industry Bids Anew To John L. Lewis

Contract Huddle Again Asked As Strike Spreads, Railway Layoffs Mount

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 26.—(AP)—The soft coal industry today renewed its offer to John L. Lewis to negotiate a new contract.

The operators said the offer was made because "employees are being deprived of badly needed earnings" and "an actual shortage of coal" exists.

The offer was made in a letter sent Lewis by the operators negotiating committee of the national bituminous coal wage conference.

The industry said it sought a contract based on the same demands it listed in previous fruitless contract negotiations. They are:

1. That the contract run until 1952.

2. That no wage increases be sought.

3. That the contract contain a no strike pledge.

4. That it eliminate the clause that in the past permitted miners to work only when "able and willing."

5. That memorial strikes be banned.

Royalty payments would continue to be 20 cents per ton.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—A direct signal from John L. Lewis appeared today to be the

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"Equal Rights" Proposal's O.K. Sought In House

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Backers of a proposed constitutional amendment to give women "equal rights" pressed today for swift House action following the measure's easy victory in the Senate.

"We want action during this session of Congress," said Rep. Katharine St. George (R-N.Y.). "The fight has been half won with Senate approval. It is now up to us in the House to remove the discriminations that still are found against women."

She referred to laws in some states banning women from jury duty and certain jobs, and making other distinctions in treatment between men and women.

Some of those distinctions—those granting special protection to women—would remain in existence under the bill the Senate passed yesterday on a 63-to-19 vote.

The amendment to assure continuance of legal safeguards for females was approved 51 to 31.

One other amendment was tacked onto the bill, at the insistence of its opponents. That set a seven-year deadline for approval of the proposal by the states.

To become part of the constitution, the proposed amendment needed a two-thirds majority in the Senate—which it got—and must have the same margin in the House. Then it must be approved by three-fourths of the state legislatures.

The amendment has been around town for a quarter of a century. The Senate passed it once before, but it died in the House.

"LITTLE PEOPLE" ASTIR

Foreign Trip Observations Told By Marshall Dana At Commerce Chamber Feast

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Efforts of the Jewish people to make Israel a real nation and a symbol of advancing civilization were praised last night by Marshall N. Dana, speaking before a capacity crowd at the Roseburg chamber of commerce annual banquet.

Factors which have made these efforts largely successful in creating and maintaining the new nation Dana referred to as the "canny acumen" and "mystic audacity of the Jewish people."

"We must link of Israel as a real symbol of an advancing civilization," Dana declared. "I'm glad those people are making a success of their longed-for venture. I have a great faith in their future."

A feature of the banquet was introduction of out-of-town guests, including delegations from visiting chambers of commerce, who were among the 200 persons present at the First Methodist church banquet room. The master of ceremonies, Rev. W. A. MacArthur, kept the crowd in gay spirits with his humorous introductions of guests and retiring and incoming chamber of commerce officers, John Todd, former president, and Harold Schmeier, new chamber of commerce head, spoke briefly to the crowd.

Included in the program were two vocal solos, rendered by Warren Mack, accompanied by Mrs. Frances Lintott.

Dana, editor of the Oregon Journal editorial page, prefaced his remarks by recalling to listeners that he traveled much of Asia and Europe studying problems of occupation and effects of the Marshall plan, two years he termed "a remarkable experience."

"There is a great and inexorable movement afoot in the world

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W. D. Van Horn Death Accident, Inquest Verdict

Funeral services for Willburn Dorson Van Horn, 59, killed at a railroad crossing Jan. 23, will be held in the Chapel of the Roses, Roseburg Funeral home, Saturday, Jan. 28, at 10 a. m., with Rev. Kenneth Knox officiating.

A coroner's inquest, conducted by Deputy Coroner Doug Tudor and District Attorney Robert J. Davis, Wednesday declared death to be accidental due to collision of Van Horn's automobile with a locomotive. Van Horn was killed while driving across railroad tracks on a private road near Green station.

The coroner's jury, which found "no party guilty of a crime" in the death, consisted of E. E. Clark, Sid Fredrickson, Robert Bellows, Irv Pugh, Harold Horn, Paul D. Haddow and Fred C. Reece.

Surviving the accident victim are his widow, Lillie of Glider; a daughter, Mrs. Penny Platto, Roseburg; two sons, Edgar Van Horn, Canyonville; Millard R. Van Horn, Roseburg; two step-children, Mrs. Joyce McDaniel, both of Portland; three brothers, Joe Van Horn, Grants Pass; O. P. Van Horn, Roseburg; J. D. Van Horn, Myrtle Creek; and two sisters, Mrs. Everal Johnson, Roseburg, and Mrs. Chessie Scolling, Shreveport, La.

Vault interment will follow in Oak Creek cemetery.

Unauthorized Soliciting For "Red Cross" Reports

The Douglas county chapter, American Red Cross, issued a warning today against unauthorized door-to-door solicitors.

Douglas Simms, manager, stated that word has been received at chapter headquarters of youthful citizens of Roseburg going from door to door requesting that they be given money for the use of the Junior Red Cross unit of the Douglas County chapter.

Simms stated that such solicitation is not authorized, that the money is not being used for Red Cross, and that it is not Red Cross policy to permit solicitation by children.

The regular Red Cross fund drive will not begin until March 1. At that time all persons seeking donations for Red Cross will carry proper Red Cross identification.

Three Money Charges Jail Scottsburg Man

Bail totaling \$4,500 was set against Robert Allen Hillman, 23, Scottsburg, when he appeared for arraignment in Reedsport justice court Tuesday on charges of obtaining money by false pretenses and cashing checks with insufficient funds, Sheriff O. T. "Bud" Carter reported.

Hillman was brought back from Portland on a hold order issued at Reedsport, by Deputy Sheriff Cecil Bever. Bail of \$1,000 was set on each of two charges of writing and cashing checks with insufficient funds and \$2,500 bail was set on one count of obtaining money by false pretenses.

Hillman was lodged in the county jail upon failure to post the necessary bail.

Portland Drops Plan To Tax Its "Outsiders"

PORTLAND, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Portland isn't going to tax its "daylight citizens."

Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee yesterday dropped her proposal that all persons who work in the city but live elsewhere be taxed \$25 a year.

The proposal aroused strong protest. Mrs. Lee said the \$25 tax was offered as an expedient to get the city out of its financial hole, but she believed budget cuts and other new revenue sources would do the job.

Grand Jury's Bill Specifies First Degree

Youth Alleged To Have Killed Grandfather At Dillard Thanksgiving Day

Wallace Green, 20-year-old student, was indicted Wednesday by the Douglas county grand jury on a charge of murder in the first degree.

The grand jury, reported District Attorney Robert G. Davis, returned a true bill against young Green in connection with the death of the youth's grandfather, Robe Thomas Green, 77-year-old railroad pensioner, of Dillard last Thanksgiving day.

The indictment charged that the youth did "purposely and of deliberate and premeditated malice . . . kill one Robe Thomas Green . . . by striking him in the head with a blunt instrument . . ."

The indictment was returned after the grand jury had heard testimony from state witnesses most of the day. District Attorney Davis said that no date had been set for Green's arraignment to hear his pleading in the case, but indicated it would not be long delayed.

According to Davis, the body of the aged pensioner was reported found between 5 and 6 p. m. on Thanksgiving day by young Green, who had been with his grandfather about two months. He had come from Bremerton, Wash., where his father, Austin C. Green, resides. He had attended Bremerton junior college and also

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Commie-Aiding Judge Accused Of Embezzlement

SULLIVAN, Ind., Jan. 26.—(AP)—Judge Norval K. Harris, former co-chairman of a committee to defend 11 Communist leaders convicted in New York, said today he is innocent of three charges filed against him in his own court.

Judge Harris was indicted by a Sullivan circuit court grand jury yesterday on charges of embezzlement, issuing a fraudulent check and forgery.

The 58-year-old judge told the grand jurors who had indicted him:

"I have only to say that I am innocent and a jury of my peers will so agree."

The embezzlement indictment charges Judge Harris last February took \$150 paid to the court by a husband for maintenance of his divorced wife.

The check fraud count charged he tried to pay back money with a check on a bank in which he had no account.

The forgery charge alleged he signed another man's name to an application for a birth certificate. (Judge Harris in 1931 served a seven-month term in federal prison on a forgery charge.) He pleaded guilty to cashing veterans' bonus checks while he was service officer of the American Legion. He was pardoned by President F. D. Roosevelt.)

Prosecutor John K. Parrell said Judge Harris probably would not be arrested until a special judge is named to hear the case.

Judge Harris expressed the opinion that the indictments would not have been returned if it had not been for his activity in behalf of Communists.

He served as co-chairman with Singer Paul Robeson of the committee to defend Communist leaders last year. He said explicitly for permitting the use of his name, he took no active part in their defense.

Judge Harris has insisted he is not a Communist, but has been a Democrat all his life. He has been a belligerent defender of civil liberties.

Two Youths Accused Of Beating High School Boy

SEATTLE, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Two youths accused of beating a high school student, because he told his father about gambling games near the school were charged yesterday with second degree assault.

Prosecutor Charles O. Carroll said, however, it was unlikely that the pair—Albert E. Koepf and Donald Cupp, both 18—would be tried here. He said he intends to turn them over to Whatcom county authorities to face burglary charges pending there.

Carroll and Franklin high school officials said they were continuing their investigations into the story of the beating victim, 16-year-old John Michael Fix, that the students frequently skipped classes to gamble and drink.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Of all glad words in printer's ink, That would make us dance together, Are just these three: "Fair and Warner" in the forecast of the weather.