

TRUMAN GIVES HYDROGEN BOMB ORDER

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



CECIL H. DOTY is salesman at the Roseburg Jewelry company on North Jackson street, having been employed there in that capacity for the past three years. Prior to that time he was with the Outdoor Store for one year. He came to Roseburg four years ago after his discharge from the army. His former home was in Klamath Falls. He and his wife live at 878 West Lane street.

Boston City Council's Snub Of Japanese Visitors Softened

Diet Members Get Welcome In Massachusetts Legislature

BOSTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Members of the Japanese Diet (parliament) received a cordial invitation to attend today's Massachusetts legislative session despite the fact they were barred from a Boston city council meeting yesterday.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

R. Ralph E. Gibson, director of Johns Hopkins university applied physics laboratory and one of the nation's top scientists, said the other night in an address at Princeton:

"This country CAN BUILD A ROCKET TO THE MOON, but until we feel safe from Russian attack we should concentrate on shorter range projects."

THAT sounds like good sense. Until life on this planet is safer, saner and decenter, we have plenty of work to do here at home.

R. Gibson added: "The United States has the know-how for 5,000-mile intercontinental rockets. (That is to say, we already know how to build a)"

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Another Effort To Float Warship Missouri Fails

ABOARD THE BATTLESHIP MISSOURI OFF NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 31.—(AP)—Another attempt to float this grounded battleship failed today and salvage experts said, "we believe we are hung on a rock."

Rear Admiral Homer N. Wallin told reporters the failure of tugs and beach gear exerting some 1,000 tons of pull indicated that "probably a large rock has dented the ship's bottom and keeps her from riding over it."

The boss of the salvage job, Rear Admiral Allan E. Smith, said another attempt "the fifth since the big Mo. ran aground on a Chesapeake Bay shoal January 17 . . . will be made tomorrow. If that try fails still another attempt will be made Thursday."

Campaign To Boost Polio Fund Will Continue Into February

Activities Scheduled In Effort To Attain \$1 Per Capita Goal

City polio campaign chairman Del McKay said today the drive to raise funds from this area will continue into the month of February, in an effort to reach the \$1 per capita goal set by local infantile paralysis fund workers.

Friday will be the big day of the week, with three separate activities listed.

Henceforth, Friday, Feb. 3, will be known as "Polio Coffee Day," McKay said. A total of 37 local eating places and coffee shops in the city are cooperating to dole out their "take" on coffee sales between 2 and 4 p.m. Instead of paying for coffee in the usual manner, customers are to place the money, plus any additional donations, in special containers in each restaurant.

The rural fire whistle will sound to signify the beginning and ending of the two-hour per-

iod. Co-chairmen of the Coffee Day activity are Ed Kalivoda of the Snack Bar and Gene Springer of Douglas County Creamery.

Boyd's Coffee company of Portland is donating 40 pounds of coffee for general use, in addition to an allotment to each of their regular users, McKay said.

Other Events Listed
Second event slated for Friday is a special talent show to be staged at the senior high school and designed especially for student consumption. A variety of

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy today and Wednesday, occasional light snow Wednesday, continued cold.

Sunset today 5:24 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:28 a. m.

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Roseburg Shivers In 16 Degree Cold

Winter Sets New Record For January

Mercury Dives Below Zero In Eastern Oregon And Willamette Valley

The thermometer at the Roseburg office of the weather bureau dropped to 16 last night, setting another record for the month of January—but the minimum was still way above the minus 6 posted in 1888, a record which has stood for 62 years.

The previous low this month was 18, recorded Jan. 3. Procrastinators who failed to shovel away yesterday's snowfall resorted to ice picks today, the only method of ridding sidewalks and porches of the icy coating. Service stations open during late evening hours reported a rushing business, as frantic motorists brought steaming cars and frozen radiators in for treatment.

Persons contemplating highway travel today were warned by state police to expect dangerous icy conditions on all of the state's highways.

Roseburg thermometers, after hovering near the freezing point most of the month, took a nose dive Monday and last night, with yesterday's maximum only two degrees above the previous mini-

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Oregon's Income Tax Take Drops

SALEM, Jan. 31.—(AP)—State income tax collections in 1949 totaled \$52,111,792, which was 12 percent less than the record total of \$59,203,647 in 1948.

But the State Tax commission isn't worried. It pointed out that the 1948 record was set because that was the year when the withholding tax went into effect, with the result that many taxpayers paid two years' taxes in that one year.

The commission said that, allowing for the withholding tax collections, the collections for 1949 would be greater.

Of the total for 1949, \$10,603,892 was paid under the withholding tax.

Corporations paid \$19,183,885 in income taxes last year, which was 1.5 percent less than in the record year of 1948.

The commission said that in 1949, there were 389,811 taxable returns filed by individuals. The record was 520,342 in 1948.

Life Term For Slaying Given Man Aged 87

COLUMBUS, Miss., Jan. 31.—(AP)—An 87-year-old man was sentenced to life in the penitentiary yesterday for killing a neighbor.

Circuit Judge John Greene said under the law he could do "no more nor less."

Capt. T. Hunter Sharp, aristocratic former mayor and postmaster, had pleaded guilty to shooting down Henry Moore in a line fence dispute.

The straight-backed, white-haired, mustached patriarch sat with his hands folded over the head of his cane. He nodded affirmatively when sentenced but did not speak.

He will be the oldest prisoner at the state penitentiary at Parchman.

Sharp's Landlord, H. W. McCown, 61, goes on trial today on another murder charge growing from the shooting.

Phone Equipment Union Plans To Join Strike

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(AP)—CIO phone equipment workers of Washington and Oregon plan to picket "strategic" exchanges Feb. 8 along with CIO Communication Workers union members on strike elsewhere.

Dan Harris, president of the area local, said 250 union members would be on strike against Western Electric company. The firm installs and maintains telephone equipment of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company and other Bell system affiliates.

The union has been unable to win contract demands in recent negotiations with employers, he said.

Harris estimated that 5,000 other telephone company employees may refuse to cross the picket line.

Talks between the company and union, underway since November, were scheduled here today with Federal Labor Conciliator Guy V. Lintner.

The News-Review

Indochina Reds Recognized By Russian Govt.

Sudden Action Of Soviet Counters Stand Taken By United States, Britain

MOSCOW, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Russia has recognized Ho Chi-Minh's and French-Viet-Nam republic in Indochina and has agreed to exchange diplomatic representatives with the Asiatic communist chief.

The announcement today by the Soviet news agency Tass at the same time described the French-supported rival Viet-Nam regime of former Emperor Bao Dai as a "puppet government" representing only a "small group of reactionaries."

The Soviet statement called attention to the fact that Britain and America have announced they probably will recognize the Bao Dai regime.

Formal Soviet recognition of Moscow-trained Ho Chi-Minh will be of major interest to the French, whose troops have been fighting Ho's troops since 1946.

The Soviet announcement came only a few hours after a report from Washington said Secretary of State Acheson had sent greetings to Bao Dai, expressing the hope of establishing closer relations. Diplomatic officials in London said yesterday Britain will recognize the Bao Dai government next week and the United States probably would follow suit.

French in Control 163 Years
(Ho Chi-Minh's guerrilla forces)

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Search Plane Crashes; Pilot In Heroic Trek

WHITEHORSE, Y. T., Jan. 31.—(AP)—A U.S. Air Force C-47 search plane crashed in the wilderness country 21 miles south of here yesterday, injuring four of the five men aboard. Two escaped with shock and minor bruises.

The pilot was not learned until last night when the blood-faced pilot staggered to a highway after wading six hours through waist deep snow and thick forest.

Li. Charles R. Harden, the pilot, was picked up by two civilian employees of the U.S. Engineers on the Carcross road 21 miles below this principal search center for 44 persons missing since last Thursday in a C-54.

He told his rescuers that his twin-engine plane plunged into the treetops five miles east of the spot where he made his way out of the woods.

As soon as word of the crash was received here a ground party

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CRASH DAMAGES CARS

Police Chief Calvin H. Baird today reported "considerable damage" was inflicted on cars of two Roseburg persons, following a collision Monday at the intersection of Lane and Sheridan streets.

Drivers were Abraham H. Malone and Herman M. Preston, both of Roseburg. Neither was injured.

Baird blamed icy street conditions for the accident and said no citations were issued.

CONTEMPT CHARGED

Robert James Daw, 25, Klamath Falls, charged with being in contempt of court (non-appearance) was brought back from that city by Deputy Sheriff Cecil Bever and is being held in the county jail, awaiting appearance in circuit court, Sheriff O. T. "Bud" Carter said.

SALVATION ARMY personnel and advisory board members met Thursday evening to hear the annual report given the board by Capt. Claude Bowden of local Salvation Army headquarters.

Pictured above are (right to left) Capt. and Mrs. Bowden, Kenneth Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Harpham, Judge D. N. Busenbark, Arthur McGehehey, Mrs. Busenbark and Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Wainscott. At left foreground are Capt. and Mrs. Kenneth Anderson and Nancy Rabuck. (Picture by Photo Lab.)

LOW BID TOPS ESTIMATE

Mercy Hospital Defers Action On Contract For Construction Of Annex

Sister Superior Mary Austin of Mercy hospital, upon her return to Roseburg, reported today that Donald Drake Co., Portland, submitted a low bid of \$395,750 for the proposed hospital annex.

Awarding the contract will await further study by the governing board of the hospital, she said.

Ten basic bids submitted were opened Jan. 27, in the office of Jacobberger, Stanton & Zeller, architects, in Portland.

The bids included eight by Portland firms, and one each by Eugene and Coos Bay building firms. Three other Portland firms bid on kitchen equipment.

Considerable study of the bids submitted will be necessary, said Sister Austin. Even the lowest bid was somewhat higher than anticipated by the hospital and the problem of coordinating the submitted amounts to the present plans of the hospital will have to be worked out, she said.

The hospital originally announced plans for a \$300,000 three-story, concrete annex, to be constructed adjoining the present hospital structure.

Other bidders included A. V. Peterson Co., Charles J. Johnson Co., H. J. Settergreen Co., Teller Construction Co., Robertson Hay and Wallace Co., and Howard Halvorsen Co., all of Portland; L. J. Hansen Co., Coos Bay, and Stein Brothers, Eugene.

Defense Chief Urges U. S. To Stay Powerful

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—

Secretary of Defense Johnson calls in his first annual report for America to stay powerful and alert until international cooperation "is accepted by the adversaries who are now doing their utmost to destroy it."

He coupled this call, in the report issued last night, with a warning that his country could be attacked "from the opposite hemisphere without warning and with unpredictable fury."

Johnson noted that Russia now has the atomic explosion secret. But he also expressed his belief that "the threat of war has diminished as our strength has increased."

He assessed this strength as the most formidable since the height of our military power in 1945. Elsewhere he termed the readiness of our armed forces and our military potential "greater today than in any previous peace time period in our nation's history."

Burlesque Theater At National Capital Closes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The national capital's only burlesque theater, The Gayety, is closing its doors after Thursday night's show.

The Gayety, located on Ninth street off Pennsylvania avenue featured girly shows for 44 years. Its audiences have included even high in government.

Many of the old faithful still attend, manager Bernie Ferber said. "But we don't seem to draw any new customers."

Patients Rescued When Nursing Home Burns

YAKIMA, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Twenty-eight patients, many of them old and unable to walk, were rescued from a nursing home which burned to the ground here at noon yesterday.

Flames raced through the 60-year-old, two-story frame building despite the efforts of city and rural fire departments. Two nurses, including Mrs. Clarence Williams, the wife of the owner, directed the evacuation.

Mrs. Conner, mother of the slain children, wept silently when the verdict was given. The sanitary commission, composed of a judge and two physicians, deliberated but 17 minutes. Conner's father, Guy Conner, of Portland, Ore., was by his son's side.

Portland Teachers Win Living Cost Allowance

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(AP)—City school employees won a fight last night to have a \$200 cost-of-living allowance paid last year added to their basic minimum and maximum salary scales.

The school directors voted 4 to 2 after a session with representatives of the teachers, clerks and janitorial workers.

The new minimums provide \$2,600 minimum and \$4,300 maximum for teachers with bachelor degrees; \$2,800 minimum and \$4,700 maximum for those with master degrees.

Winery Blast And Fire Take Employee's Life

CUCAMONGA, Calif., Jan. 31.—(AP)—One man, perished in a vat as 1,500,000 gallons of wine was lost in a \$1,000,000 blaze at the Pioneer Vineyard association winery.

Thomas B. Wyllie, 49, an employee apparently climbed atop a 40,000-gallon vat yesterday to escape the flames, then fell in when the heated liquid exploded and blew the top off the tank. Firemen heard his screams but were unable to reach him.

Some 75 huge vats exploded, one blast shaking windows more than a mile away.

Paul Hofer, president of the cooperative of 15 grape growers who operated the winery, said insurance covers part of the \$1,000,000 loss.

Able Defense Of U. S. Aim Of Program

Atomic Weapons Held Needed Until World Control Is Created

Washington, Jan. 31.—(AP)—President Truman today told the Atomic Energy commission to work on the "so-called hydrogen or super-bomb."

He said in a two paragraph statement that he has ordered the AEC to continue work on all forms of atomic weapons, including the super bomb, because of his responsibility "to see to it that our country is able to defend itself against any possible aggressor."

He added that this work will be pursued on a basis consistent with American plans for peace and security.

The development of atomic weapons is to continue, the President directed, "until a satisfactory plan for international control of atomic energy is achieved."

This is his statement launching the government officially into a hunt for a new weapon perhaps as much as 1,000 times as powerful as the original A-bomb.

"It is part of my responsibility as commander-in-chief of the armed forces to see to it that our country is able to defend itself against any possible aggressor."

"Accordingly, I have directed the Atomic Energy commission to continue its work on all forms of atomic weapons, including the so-called hydrogen or super-bomb. Like all other work in the field of atomic weapons, it is being and will be carried forward on a basis consistent with the overall objectives of our program for peace and security."

"This we shall continue to do until a satisfactory plan for international control of atomic energy is achieved. We shall also continue to examine all those factors that affect our program for peace and this country's security."

The question of whether the United States should undertake production of the bomb has been

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Assn. Has Fire In Its Own Office

Faces of Douglas County Fire Protective association employees were fire engine red yesterday when a blaze started in their office building and city firemen had to be summoned for help.

City Fire Chief "Dutch" Mills said the rural truck and eight firemen were dispatched Monday afternoon to quell the blaze, which had spread to the attic from a defective fuse.

Two fire protective association workers were on duty at the time, with all equipment broken down for repairs—normal procedure during winter months, Mills said.

He estimated damage at \$100. Reports of a second fire turned out to be false Monday evening when an excited passerby spotted what was thought to be a roof fire above the Snack Bar on N. Jackson street, Mills reported.

Firemen rushed to the scene, only to discover a workman tramping over roof tops, thawing frozen water pipes with burning newspapers.

Housing Loans Granted Sutherland And Reedsport

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Public Housing administration funds have been allocated for loans on low rent housing in two Oregon communities.

The allocations and amount of the loans were: Sutherland—25 units and \$10,000; Reedsport—15 units and \$6,000.

H. L. Scofield, executive director of the Douglas County Housing authority, was advised by telegram yesterday that low rental housing projects in Sutherland and Reedsport have been approved by the Public Housing administration.

Sen. Guy Cordon wired Scofield that the first project of 25 units is to be built at Sutherland on a one-year program granted a preliminary loan of \$10,000 for planning. The second project, also a one-year program, includes 15 units to be built at Reedsport, with a preliminary planning loan of \$6,000 granted.

Both loans are subject to approval by Pres. Truman. Cordon said the housing commissioner's recommendation will be submitted to the President in the near future.

Scofield said Sutherland has asked for a total allotment of 100 low-rental public housing units and Reedsport's original request was for 75. The number granted is on a one-year basis only and more units will not be granted in the future, Scofield said.

Levy Fact R ant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Even if "comparisons are odious," it makes interesting reading to note the gap between five-figure salaries being embraced in the contracts of athletes and coaches, and the four-figure sums specified in the contracts of school teachers. Brawn before brains.