

RADIO SIGNAL REVIVES HOPE FOR LOST C-54

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



HOWARD HUNSAKER, displaying a garment peculiarly suited to Roseburg's present brand of weather, is manager of Herman's, having come here recently from Richland, Wash. His former home was in Salem. He likes Roseburg, he says, but will like it a lot better when spring comes. Don't wish to discourage you, Howard, but sometimes spring doesn't arrive here until about May.

Mutual Benefit Foreseen In Annexation Of East Roseburg

City Would Gain 1,150 People, Area Would Obtain Facilities

Annexation of East Roseburg, if an expression of the voters of that area is favorable, would increase Roseburg's population by an estimated 1,150 and up the city's assessed valuation by some \$289,386.

Residents of East Roseburg will go to the polls to vote upon the annexation issue Feb. 17. If a favorable vote is cast, an election date will be set within the city to vote upon its acceptance.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

PRESIDENT TRUMAN said the other day that it's up to him to decide whether we shall go ahead and develop a hydrogen bomb. These are the problems he faced in arriving at a decision:

Do we want to loose that added horror into the world?

The cost will be great. Eventually ALL MILITARY COSTS must come out of the hides of the people through lowered standards of living.

BUT—

If we don't—

RUSSIA MIGHT.

It was a hard nut to crack, and nobody envied our President the job of making the decision that he did.

MEANWHILE, this dispatch came from Washington:

"The atomic energy commis-

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THEATER LEVY FOUGHT

EUGENE, Feb. 1.—(AP)—A suit contesting the city's three percent levy on amusement admissions got underway here today in circuit court.

The theater interests charge the tax is discriminatory. Mayor V. Edwin Johnson and several city councilmen and officials have been summoned to appear in Judge Skipworth's court.

State Department Blunders Blamed For Plight Of China

Country Really Given To Reds, "Si" Dillard Declares At Forum

"The Communists bought, not fought, their way through Nationalist China," J. F. "Si" Dillard told a capacity crowd, gathered Monday noon, to hear him tell of his recent visit to the Orient.

"Furthermore, the Communists took China with the aid and collaboration of the United States State department," Dillard declared.

Speaking on the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon series at Hotel Umpqua, Dillard lashed at the State department for "undercutting" other Americans in China and "handing the country to the Chinese Communists faster than the Reds could accept it."

Dillard emphasized the strategic importance of the islands of Hainan and Formosa, saying these two Nationalist strongholds could be a training ground for Nationalist armies and naval forces and would eventually be the base from which Communists

would be driven from the rest of that nation.

The State department claims Formosa, lying off the coast in the China sea, is unimportant.

Dillard claims this is not true, declaring, "Whoever controls Formosa, controls Asia." If Formosa and Hainan fall, Dillard said, the Communist sweep to the south, east and west would be unimpeded.

Useless Goods Sent
Sending costly, unwanted items

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The Weather

Partly cloudy today and Thursday. Snow flurries near the mountains. Slightly warmer.

Sunset today 5:25 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:28 a. m.

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Hydrogen Bomb Decision Given Congress Approval

Emphasis Put On Speed In Undertaking

Hope Expressed That Russia Will Agree To Halt Armaments Race

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Congress gave overwhelming approval today to the decision to undertake the making of a hydrogen bomb, and put emphasis on speed in doing so.

Through much Capitol hill comment ran the theme: We can't let Russia get ahead of us.

No announcement by the chief executive in recent months has been hailed with such unanimity of approval as Mr. Truman's statement yesterday that he has directed the Atomic Energy commission to proceed on the new weapon of destruction.

Many coupled their approval with strong expressions of hope that some way could be found out of the armaments race with Russia. Some thought that the bomb itself in U. S. possession might provide the way.

Cost of developing the hydrogen weapon has been estimated at anywhere from \$100,000,000 to \$4,000,000,000.

Meanwhile, the United States, pressing the atomic arms race with Russia, is reported to be hopeful that it can explode its first hydrogen bomb next year—or not sooner.

Only an agreement which would bar atomic weapons in all countries, including Russia, under a tight system of international controls, can now banish this prospective weapon from American arsenals.

Late yesterday the air force announced it was putting into effect a strict aerial guard around

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Slander Suit Hits K-Falls Auditor

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 1.—(AP)—A slander suit asking \$15,000 damages from the city's auditor has been filed here by Sam H. Smith, Klamath Falls recreation director.

His auditor is J. Paul Matthews. His 1948-49 audit of the city's said that East Roseburg people, if they vote to become part of the city, can look forward to new facilities, including street work, street lighting and sewers, as

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Aged Couple Dies In Fire; Seven Children Rescued

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 1.—(CP)—An elderly man and wife were suffocated early today when fire destroyed their home here.

Dead are Mr. and Mrs. William C. Bradshaw, 56 and 58, respectively, who moved into the house only recently.

Their three young grandchildren, whose father is serving in the navy on the east coast, were tossed out of an upstairs window by their mother, Mrs. Dorothy Bradshaw.

Two were caught by neighbors; one landed in deep snow and all were uninjured.

Four other children in a lower apartment were evacuated safely.

Mrs. Dorothy Bradshaw is in a hospital suffering from a bruised back and a sprained ankle.

Boy Held For Shooting His Girl Classmate

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—(AP)—A 13-year-old school boy was held by police for further questioning today after they said he admitted shooting a girl classmate in a school room in fashionable suburban Winnetka.

Police quoted the boy, Copthorne (Copp) MacDonald, as saying he shot the girl, Nancy Pfeiffer, 14, because she told his "best girl" that he had made improper suggestions to Nancy.

They are eighth grade pupils. Nancy, daughter of Henry D. Penfield, former mayor of suburban Evanston and one time Northwestern university football star, is in a hospital with a 22 caliber bullet wound in her neck and face. She was reported in fair condition.

Terminal Charge On West Coast Freight Suspended

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(AP)—The Interstate Commerce commission today suspended a proposed new terminal charge on the handling of export and import freight on the Pacific coast.

The terminal charge on such freight is now absorbed in the general freight rate, and the ICC directed that this be continued pending a hearing.

Railroads serving the coast area had proposed, effective today, to impose the terminal charge at ports in California, Oregon, and Washington. The proposed schedule ranged from one and one-fourth cents to fifteen cents per 100 pounds for handling the export and import traffic at those points.

Russians Again Walk Out Of 4-Power Council

TOKYO, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Russia boycotted another meeting today of the four-power council for Japan trying to learn the fate of 376,000 Japanese prisoners of war.

The other council powers suggest the Japanese all died in Russian prison camps.

Rather than discuss the subject, Lt. Gen. Derevyanko, Russian delegate, avoided today's meeting. He walked out of three previous meetings on the same subject.

He said in a letter today the subject of war prisoner repatriation was beyond the province of the council. The council is an advisory body to the occupation command. For that reason he said he would not attend the meeting.

Umpqua River On Ellsworth's List In Funds Appeal

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Rep. Ellsworth (R-Ore.) says it is necessary to maintain continuity of construction programs on projects in the Willamette river flood control project in Oregon.

Testifying in closed session before the House subcommittee handling waterways funds, he said he thought the money proposed in President Truman's budget will carry on the larger projects during the coming year. The budget asked \$20,000,000 for Detroit dam and \$16,000,000 for Lookout dam. His testimony was made public today.

Ellsworth asked that the committee also provide funds to continue work on the Umpqua river, Coos bay, Chetco river, Dorena reservoir, Fern ridge reservoir and work on the Millamette river.

He also urged that funds for the Coos Bay harbor project be increased from \$1,000,000 recommended in the budget, to \$1,800,000 so the work can be completed in one year.

Funds should be provided to clear the channel into the ship mooring basin at Charleston, on the lower portion of Coos bay, he said.

Mud and sand get into the channel and prevent fishing boats coming into the harbor for refuge from storms, he said, and recently a number of boats were lost because they could not get into the harbor.

Warning Out On Sale Of Cigarets

Chief of Police Calvin Baird today warned merchants against the sale of any form of tobacco to minors.

Several reports have come to his office of violations, both on the part of tobacco vendors and minors seen smoking.

The chief cited city ordinance 672, which makes it an offense to sell tobacco to underage children. Minors caught smoking or falsely representing their ages may also be penalized by a fine up to \$50 or 25 days imprisonment in the city jail.

Cigarette vending machines should be especially watched by the proprietors of any business where they are displayed, he said. It is comparatively easy for children to work these machines without being noticed, the chief pointed out. Nevertheless, the proprietor is responsible for the sale, he said.

G. M. CORNWALL DIES

PORTLAND, Feb. 2.—(AP)—George M. Cornwall, 82, founder of the Timberman, a trade publication, died Tuesday at Berkeley, Calif., the publication office here reported.

For a number of years he was secretary of the Pacific Logging congress and for 17 years was a regent of Oregon State college.

Russia Leads World In Army, Air Force, Subs, Has Atomic Secret, Secy. Symington Warns

WACO, Tex., Feb. 1.—(AP)—Secretary of the Air Force Symington said today that communist "dictators" now have "the world's largest ground army, air force and undersea fleet."

And he voiced a somber warning that Russia is capable of launching a surprise atomic attack—"against which we have no sure defense"—on any part of the United States.

The air force secretary painted what he called a "bleak picture" in a speech prepared for delivery at Baylor university.

"Those who reiterate America must be destroyed," he said, "now have."

"1. A group army greater in numbers than the combined armies of the United States and its allies;

"2. An air force whose strength

More Power For Pacific Defense Urged

Gen. MacArthur's Aides Ask Staff Chiefs To Up Strength To Hold Line

TOKYO, Feb. 1.—(AP)—General MacArthur's top commanders today asked America's joint chiefs of staff for more air, sea and land strength to hold defense lines in tumultuous Asia.

Highly competent sources said the need for additional power was stressed during an intensive briefing on the military situation in MacArthur's command. They said the military situation has deteriorated alarmingly.

Formosa and China were not discussed, the informants said, because they lie outside the area of the basic military briefing.

The position of French Indochina—complicated by Russian recognition of Ho Chi-Minh's regime—was among the political subjects weighing on the American military situation brought up.

Top commanders in all three branches of the service gave the joint chiefs a detailed and secret outline of military plans and preparations for carrying out the two-fold American mission in Asia.

This is to man the far eastern defense perimeter and to insure protection in wartime of

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Wallace Green Is Taken To Prison

Wallace Green, 20, who was sentenced to serve a life term in the state penitentiary, was taken to Salem today by Deputy Sheriff Ira Byrd and Cecil Bever. Green was convicted of second degree murder in connection with the bludgeoning slaying of his grandfather, Robt. Thomas Green, 77, at the victim's home in Dillard Thanksgiving day.

Bever and Byrd will bring back Robert Crockett, 21, and Raymond Arthur Lawrence, 19, who will have served time on charges for which they were convicted in another county, Sheriff G. T. Carter reported.

Both Crockett and Lawrence are wanted here on charges of burglary from a store. They were indicted by the grand jury and are alleged to have committed the burglary last November.

Bever and Byrd will also bring back James Gilroy Cannon, now being held by Marion county authorities. Cannon is wanted here by the state police on a traffic violation charge.

Battleship Missouri Pulled Free Of Shoal

ABOAT OFF NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 1.—(AP)—This mighty battleship was pulled free today from the Chesapeake bay shoal that had held her prisoner for 15 days.

As the 45,000-ton giant, the nation's only active service battleship, began to move, her hand burst forth with one of the most spirited "Anchors Aweigh" in the history of the United States navy.

Then, as the powerful fleet tugs eased her slowly sternward toward deep water, the band broke out with "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight."

The Missouri, on whose deck the formal Japanese surrender was signed, came off the shoal under the combined pulling power of a score of tugs and nine beach gear cables which the ship used to help free herself.

In nearly all categories is now the largest in the world and growing relatively larger month by month.

"3. The world's largest submarine fleet; and an intensive submarine development and construction program."

The air force secretary expressed the belief that if any democracy attempted to maintain in peacetime a comparable regular armed force, "the free economy of that democracy would be wrecked."

Here are three facts which every American should know," Symington said, "because this is the world in which we live:

"(1) Behind the iron curtain there has been an atomic explosion (2) Behind that curtain is the air equipment capable of delivering a surprise atomic attack

against any part of the United States. (3) We have no sure defense against such an attack"

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Lewis' Action Assailed In Court Move

NLRB Seeks Order To Halt "Coercion" Plans Of Mine Union Leader

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(AP)—The government today argued to a federal court that current coal strikes and slow downs are unfair labor practices. It asked the court to order John L. Lewis and his miners to stop these tactics.

The case is that brought by Robert Denham, National Labor Relations board counsel.

President Truman has said that Denham acted on his own, but had advised the White House of his intention.

Mr. Truman since has moved into the coal situation on his own, but along far different lines. He asked yesterday for a 70-day truce while fact-finders look into the dispute that had disrupted production for months.

Neither Lewis, nor the operators had yet replied to Mr. Truman's proposal. He asked an answer by 5 p. m. Saturday.

Dominick Maroli, counsel for the National Labor Relations board, opened the argument be-

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Income Tax Here For Years, Says G. O. P. Leader

BALTIMORE, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Rep. Joseph W. Martin Jr., (R-Md.), Republican leader of the House, predicted today there will be no income tax cuts for many years.

"I make the prediction today," he said in an address for the advertising club of Baltimore, "that that tax reduction will stand for many years as the last income-tax reduction enacted by an American Congress."

This sweeping forecast made no reference to the possibility of Republicans gaining control of congress in the 1952 presidential election.

Martin took shots at the Democrats for high taxes, subversives in government and Communist successes in China.

He said he had often wished "that we might somehow harness all the 'wonderful skills, energy and genius of the Advertising clubs throughout the country in the great battle that is now being waged for solvency and constructive order in federal administration."

He attacked as benefiting no one the "inflation program now clearly mapped out," and said President Truman's prediction of \$12,000,000,000 income in the year 2000, didn't calculate what the dollar would then be worth.

Then, as the purchasing power of the American dollar falls off as much in the next 50 years as it has in the last 50, it will be worth about 18 cents," he declared.

"Then the \$12,000,000,000 income for each family will represent \$2,160 in 1939 purchasing power."

California Gov. Warren Will Seek Third Term

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Feb. 1.—(AP)—California's Republican Governor Earl Warren said today he will seek reelection for a third term.

The governor's announcement threw him into a battle for the \$25,000-a-year job with Democrat James Roosevelt, Los Angeles, son of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Both will seek nomination by each major party at the June 6 primary. This is permissible under California law. Four years ago Warren captured both nominations, making his reelection only a formality.

If Warren is re-elected he will be the first to be given California's helm for a third time.

California's Citrus Groves Nipped By Frost

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Southern California's citrus groves got another frost nip-ping early today as the weather bureau reported below-freezing temperatures in many areas.

Palmdale on the desert hit 18 and Sandberg high on the ridge route had 22 for the lowest pre-dawn readings.

Other lows: Beaumont 25; Burbank 34; and downtown Los Angeles 3°.

The weatherman said some of the outlying areas in the nearby San Fernando valley probably dipped to 28 or 26.

The forecast for today and tonight is for slowly rising temperatures.

Motor Coach Employees Spurn Wage Cut Proposal

PORTLAND, Feb. 1.—(AP)—AFL Motor Coach Employees union members on city lines in Salem and Eugene have rejected a 10 percent pay cut proposed by employers.

Harold athes, business agent for the union, said the 111 drivers and shopmen at the same time authorized a strike to obtain contract demands. The ballots were cast last Wednesday, he said.

Oathes said the union is asking 15 cents an hour above the present \$1.40 hourly wage scale. Negotiations are still underway.

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ACCUSED BY REDS—Douglas S. Meckiernan, 35, (above) U. S. vice-consul in Sinkiang province, China, has been charged by the Chinese Communists radio with being a spy who tried to organize bandits in the far western province. State department officials in Washington said they have not heard from him since Sept. 27 last. His wife, Mrs. Peggy Meckiernan, resides in Fairfax, Calif., with twins, a boy and a girl, born since she was evacuated from China in 1948 and which her husband has never seen.—(AP Wirephoto).

Homer White Held On Larceny Count

Homer White, 46, whose home address is listed as Albany, was bound over to the grand jury and his bail continued at \$3,000 following a preliminary hearing in justice court, reported Justice of Peace A. J. Geddes.

White, charged with larceny, was arrested at a local hotel Monday of last week by city police, in connection with an alleged theft of a purse containing an estimated \$1,000 from a local tavern, according to Chief of Police Calvin Baird. The money was recovered in a room near White's in the hotel, said the chief.

Baird also reported that Arthur T. McCoy has been arrested by Portland city police and is being held in that city for local authorities as a material witness. His bail has been set at \$1,500.

Crash Of Autos Kills Washington U. Student

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(AP)—University of Washington student Richard Parker, 22, Tacoma, died yesterday of head injuries received in a two-car crash while en route to an Oregon-Washington basketball game Friday.

Two Washington athletes injured at the same time are recovering in General hospital here. They are Charles R. Olson, captain of the school's 1949 football team, and Norman S. Buivick, a crew member. Neither was critically hurt.

The three students were south-bound to Eugene for the basketball game that night. Their car collided head-on with one carrying Mr. and Mrs. George Wald-rick, Portland.

Parker was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parker. The father was formerly a principal and football coach at Corvallis High school. The parents were with the son when he died.

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Record Cold Still Grips Pacific Northwest

(By The Associated Press)
Record-shattering cold held tight to the Pacific Northwest today.

There is no hint of substantial relief. Western Washington, at least, is expected to get snow by nightfall tomorrow.

The Arctic chill clamped most strongly today on central and eastern Washington, eastern Oregon and northern Idaho.

The Columbia is practically solid between the Bridge of the Gods and The Dalles, but there is still some open water in swift channels below there.

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Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Expanding on Horace Greeley's advice: "Go west, young man" and be sure to take along heavy underwear, a sheepskin-lined overcoat, water-repellant boots and a shovel.

Two Search Planes Catch Faint Flash

Hunt For Craft Bearing 44 Persons Immediately Centered On Yukon Area

WHITEHORSE, Y. T., Feb. 1.—(AP)—Two air force search planes with expert radio men aboard to monitor possible signals early today were converging on