

WHO DOES WHAT By Paul Jenkins



EMERY THRUSH, pictured topping the tree above, is merely consummating one of the several steps involved in its total removal. The tall fir stands (or rather stood) in the lawn to the rear of the K. D. Lytle residence on Chapman street.

Almost anyone dislikes to lose an ornamental tree, such as this one undoubtedly was. But tall firs, when growing too near dwellings, constitute a certain hazard which cannot lightly be ignored, particularly when one thinks of wind velocity. We like to brag that our wind velocity here is practically zero-minus; but just the same it's nothing unusual to see the tall, slim firs sway dangerously in the wind we do have, sometimes snapping in two. Always there is danger of large limbs being torn from the big ones. I think the Lytles are well rid of this one.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

MORE news on the Russian election: PRIME MINISTER STALIN WAS UNANIMOUSLY RE-ELECTED (to what we call Congress) IN HIS DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF MOSCOW.

One's first thought is that Uncle Joe must be immensely pleased by this tribute to his personal popularity.

HERE'S the second thought: Uncle Joe was the ONLY CANDIDATE.

So, you see, the vote for him had to be unanimous.

BUT, you say, still mulling over the case of Uncle Joe and the fine vote of confidence he got in his district, the mere fact that he was the only candidate must indicate that his people love him so much that nobody wanted to run against him, doesn't it?

W-E-E-L-L-L-L, it could be. But there are other factors. Here is one of them:

In Russia you don't just take a notion to run for office and give a story to the newspaper and when the time comes pounce up your filing fee and get your name on the ballot.

It's more complicated than that.

FIRST, you must join the Communist party. That, too, in comparison with our system, is a bit complicated.

In Russia (and other Communist

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Chain Store Dynamiting Poses Detroit Mystery

DETROIT, March 16.—(AP)—A squad of 20 Detroit detectives today checked the dynamiting of a chain store that jarred northwest Detroit.

The blast, shortly after 11 o'clock last night, blew out one of the plate glass windows of the Big Bear market, but otherwise caused little damage to the store itself.

Four business firms across the street, however, had their plate glass windows demolished by the force of the explosion. Police said the bomb, apparently of dynamite sticks, had been placed in the vestibule of the market.

No one was in the building at the time of the explosion. Big Bear officials could give no reason for the attack. They had had no labor trouble they said.

Corporation President Plunges To Death

NEW YORK, March 16.—(AP)—Henry Eldridge Perry, 60-year-old president of the Commercial Solvents Corp., plunged to his death Wednesday from his 14th floor office at 17 East 42nd Street.

It was not determined whether he fell or jumped.

SUGGESTION OR ERROR?

Mrs. Eloise Scott, well-known cook at the Roseburg Elks club, decided recently that she would have time for a little reading. So, she joined the Book of the Month club and started receiving her regular selections.

Then, the other day, they sent her a gift book.

You guessed it. It was a cook book.

Senate Rejects Truman Housing Plan

The News-Review

The Weather
Cloudy with rain today, tonight and Friday.
Sunset today 6:20 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:22 a. m.

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ROSEBURG, OREGON—THURSDAY, MAR. 16, 1950

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Spring Opening Record Breaker

Displays Of Goods Viewed By Big Throng

Weather Permits Full Program; Log Chopping Won By Stanley Hatfield

By DAN MINDOLOVICH
Roseburg merchants were blessed by favorable weather last night—favorable weather and capacity downtown crowds, a combination that made this year's Spring Opening the most successful affair of its type the city has held.

In spite of a forecast for rain and cloudy skies, the third annual Spring Opening went off exactly as planned by the Roseburg Retail Trades Association.

Miller's Mercantile store was awarded first prize for its "family portrait" of spring fashions, which topped all other competitors. An auto spotlight was presented by Western Auto to Rod Neveu, Miller's manager.

A picnic scene in Weber's Bakery placed second. Third place honors went to Ott-Roberts with the live organ and piano music by Esther Geddes and Myrtle Burr. Umpqua Florists' "window in pink" was awarded honorable mention.

Pictures of the three winners will be printed in Friday's News-Review.

West Coast Builders Supply and Nelson and Pyle Woodwork.

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New Market To Open Near Glide

NEW MARKET—18
Announcement was made today of the scheduled opening Friday of the Lone Rok market, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Welch.

The new market is located a mile east of Glide on the North Umpqua highway near the south approach to the bridge. It is housed in a 30 by 75 foot, pumice block building, with knotty pine finish. Mr. and Mrs. Welch have temporary living quarters in the rear of the building.

Engaged in the grocery business the last 25 years, Welch comes to his new location from Myrtle Creek, where he operated Jim's Food store the last six years. He closed his store in that community and moved his stock and equipment to the new location.

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Federal Tax On Oleo Ends Next July 1

Truman Signs Measure Closing Long Struggle; State Laws Unaffected

KEY WEST, Fla., March 16.—(AP)—President Truman today signed the bill to repeal the federal tax on oleomargarine.

It was Mr. Truman's first action after his arrival here for a vacation after a sea voyage from Washington.

All federal taxes on oleomargarine will end next July 1.

After that date, housewives can expect noticeably lower prices for colored oleomargarine. The tax on it now is 10 cents a pound. On uncolored, the tax is one-quarter cent a pound.

At the same time, certain restrictions will go into effect designed to assure that oleomargarine is not passed off as butter. For one thing, a safe wrapper which serves it must have it prepared in triangular patties.

Congress passed the repealer after a running scrap extending over several years. Most legislators from dairy states fought it bitterly. Some of the taxes have been in effect 64 years.

In addition to the taxes on oleomargarine itself, there are now license taxes on makers of and dealers in oleomargarine. These also are wiped out by the repealer. They are:

On manufacturers of either colored or uncolored oleo, \$600 a year; on wholesalers of colored, \$480 a year; on wholesalers of uncolored, \$200 a year.

On retailers of the colored product, \$48 a year; on retailers of uncolored oleo, \$6 a year.

Repeat of the federal taxes has no effect on the laws of 21 states which prohibit the manufacture or sale of colored oleomargarine. Nor does it have any effect on any taxes placed on the commodity by the states.

The repeal law provides that:

1. Wax sold at retail in packages, oleomargarine must weigh no more than one pound.

2. The outer cartons of retail packages must be labeled "oleomargarine" or "margarine" in type at least as large as any other on the carton.

3. The ingredients must be listed on the carton.

4. The inner wrappings must bear the words "oleomargarine" or "margarine" in at least 20 point type—about one-quarter inch high.

A check with the treasury department indicates one effect of the hullabaloo in Congress last year over the issue was to zoom oleomargarine sales.

Its records show the taxes produced \$3,927,191 in 1949 compared with \$14,128,616 in 1948.

In Primary Race



HENRY L. GOODMANSON, above, Drain garage owner, has filed his petition for nomination in the May primaries to the office of Douglas county representative to the state legislature on the Republican ticket. Two legislative positions are to be filled.

Crommelin Punished by Indefinite Furlough

WASHINGTON, March 16.—(AP)—The navy has decided to punish Capt. John G. Crommelin, persistent critic of Pentagon policies — by furloughing him indefinitely at half-pay instead of trying him in a court-martial.

The action amounts to his involuntary retirement at the age of 47, and Crommelin blamed it on the army and air force general staffs. He has been blaming them all along for what he called a serious weakening of the navy in the army-air force-navy unification.

Secretary of the Navy Matthews announced the punishment last night, effective April 1. A navy spokesman said it was "continued actions prejudicial to the service."

Alleged Slayer Of Texas Sheriff Nabbed

PRESIDIO, Tex., March 16.—(AP)—Jose Villalobos, 34-year-old Mexican national, was arrested today in the slaying of Sheriff O. W. (Blackie) Morrow of Presidio. Deputy Sheriff Mack Tarwater quoted the man as saying he shot at the sheriff four times when the two had a fight, using the officer's own gun.

The slaying occurred early Sunday morning on a lonely mountain road north of here.

Russia Asked For Evidence Of Peace Aims

Seven-Point Challenge To Acheson Designed To Banish Tensions, Fears

BERKELEY, Calif., March 16.—(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson proposed call for an end to Russia's aggressive diplomacy, both in her dealings with satellites and with the western world, and for new moves to conclude peace treaties and to find some solution to the problem of atomic controls.

Boiled down, the seven steps Acheson proposed call for an end to Russia's aggressive diplomacy, both in her dealings with satellites and with the western world, and for new moves to conclude peace treaties and to find some solution to the problem of atomic controls.

Bluntly, he predicted Russian refusal of any attempt to settle these points of "greatest difference" between the east and the west.

But he insisted that they "must be identified and sooner or later reconciled if the two systems are to live together, if not with mutual respect, at least in mutual respect."

Otherwise, he said, the United States can only continue to resist aggression where it finds it, and to "press ahead with the building of a free world."

"We are always ready to discuss, to negotiate, to agree," Acheson declared, "but we are understandably loath to play the role of international sucker."

Demands On Russia
Acheson's address was prepared for delivery at the University of California, in connection with the conference on international cooperation for world economic development.

Declaring that "we want peace, but not at any price," Acheson said Russia must do several things "which would leave much yet to do, would give the world new confidence in the possibility of peaceful change." Among things he asked of Russia were:

Quit badgering American diplomatic representatives, who are now being "treated as criminals," and branded as "sinister people" with whom all contact is "pregnant with danger."

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Middle-Income Proviso Voted Out Of Bill

Supporters Now Hope For Reversal In Next Move, Slated In House

WASHINGTON, March 16.—(AP)—A bitter Senate defeat left the fate of President Truman's middle-income housing program squarely in the hands of the House today.

The Senate chopped the entire program out of a catch-all housing bill late yesterday on a right 43-to-38 vote. Its Senate backers promptly began rooting for a House victory which might give them another chance.

"If that happens," said Senator Sparkman (D-Ala.), "we will fight it out in the Senate again. We need only change three votes—or get some more Democrats on the floor—to win."

A combination of 30 Republicans and 13 Democrats, mostly from the south, administered the death blow in the Senate.

Frantic last-minute efforts by Senator Maybank (D-SC) to peg interest rates at 4 per cent, instead of a lower figure, failed to pick up enough votes for victory.

The rest of the bill, carrying more than \$3,000,000,000 in government loans and mortgages insurance for various other programs was approved.

What Bill Provides
As the bill went to the House it included:
\$1,750,000,000 to continue the regular system of government insurance of Housing mortgages, including an unspecified amount for housing cooperatives.

\$500,000,000 of insurance on mortgages for low-cost homes ranging up to \$5,000 a unit. On these the Federal Housing administration insurance could cover 85 per cent of the value with 25 to 30 years for repayment.

\$300,000,000 of direct loans to colleges and universities, at 2½ per cent interest and repayment up to 40 years, to provide student and faculty housing.

\$150,000,000 of direct loans to veterans unable to find housing credit elsewhere.

\$400,000,000 additional funds to cover large-scale rental apartment projects first started during the war. Applications for this insurance were more than exhausted available funds early this year although the law did not expire until March 1.

Man Drowns In Ten Mile Lake When Boat Upsets

COOS BAY, March 16.—(AP)—Wayne Stonelake, 23, drowned in Ten Mile lake last night after his outboard motorboat capsized 300 feet from shore.

The victim, Douglas Port, Portland, clung to the overturned boat and was picked up by Dr. Earl Drumm, North Bend.

Stonelake, however, tried to swim ashore, and sank after covering two-thirds of the distance.

The victim had returned to his home north of North Bend just two weeks ago, after five years in the army.

Vote Ups Penalties For Breaking Security Laws

WASHINGTON, March 16.—(AP)—The House voted Wednesday to increase penalties for violations of the nation's internal security laws.

A vote of 368-2—with only Reggs, Marcantonio (Alp-NY) and Powell (D-NY) voting no—sent to the Senate a measure which would:

Raise from \$5,000 and five years in jail to \$10,000 and 10 years the penalty for disclosing secret information.

Permit prosecution for up to 10 years after a violation instead of the present three. Under the present statute of limitations, there can be no prosecution if a violation goes undetected for three years.

Leopold Says Return Rests On Parliament

GENEVA, March 16.—(AP)—Leopold III, exiled king of the Belgians, has decided to leave the decision on his future to Belgium's parliament, he announced today.

Leopold, exiled from his homeland since the war, won 57.7 per cent of the vote in an advisory referendum last Sunday on whether he should return to his throne. Many political leaders in Belgium feel this percentage is far too small for a king, who is supposed to represent unity for his people. Other political factions feel he should be returned.

Tires, Tubes Devoured In Costly Kansas City Fire

KANSAS CITY, March 16.—(AP)—A fire, fed by thousands of new automobile tires, gutted a four-story warehouse in north Kansas City yesterday.

Damage was estimated at \$2,800,000. The flames destroyed an estimated 80,000 tires and 70,000 tubes.

Storms Take Big Toll Of Alaskan Fur-Seal Pups

WASHINGTON, March 16.—(AP)—Violent storms off the Pacific Northwest killed hundreds of Alaskan fur-seal pups and cast them ashore on the Washington and Oregon coasts in January, the Fish and Wildlife service said today.

Of the dead animals, 16 bore tags at the Pribilof islands in the Bering sea. The year-old pups are a part of the island crop which will be ready for the Sealisk harvest in 1952.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizmanstela

With a view to future championship honors, all local oratory-minded persons are urged to kiss the Barney stone segment during its current visit. Top spot in forensics has been held long enough by our silver-tongued mayor.



CHAMPION WOOD CHOPPER — Stanley Hatfield, above, topped a field of six log choppers, including ex-champion Babe Fenton, in a contest to determine the axe-wielding prowess of Douglas county manhood and the durability of a famous-make wrist watch, which was strapped to the handles of the contestants' axes. Hatfield broke the record by hacking through a log in 1:34 or 20 seconds faster than Fenton's mark. For this, Hatfield received a watch. Lawson's Jewelers, sponsors of the contest, had to produce two extra watches to contestants, when watches strapped to the axe handles stopped running. Stanley's brother, Leslie, and another axe man copped the extra awards. All six contestants received two tickets each to the St. Patrick's day dance.—(Photo Lab photo).