

Economy, No Tax Increase, Attitude Of Congress

WHO DOES WHAT By Paul Jenkins



VIRGIL BATMAN cuts a steak in his meat market at Anderson's grocery, having purchased the market last May from Verdum Boucock, well known Roseburg butcher. He is assisted by Mrs. Batman. The Batmans came to Roseburg from Portland, where they had been in business since 1937. Virgil was born in Kansas City and began learning the butcher trade when he was 14 years old and "has been at it ever since." He and his wife have a married daughter, living in Portland. They make their own home at present in Winston.

Astoria Will Be Terminus Of New Highway Via Central Oregon, Extending From Ogallala, Neb.

SALEM (AP) — A new cross country highway route, to be called U.S. Highway 26, will run from Ogallala, Neb., to Astoria, Ore., State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock said Wednesday.

Baldock said the change would be made as soon as route markers can be changed, probably late in February.

The route in Oregon will run from Nyssa to Vale via U.S. 20, from Vale to Prineville on the John Day to Ochoco route U. S. 28, Prineville to Madras on State highway 27, Madras to Portland on the Warm Springs-Mt. Hood loop route (State Highway 50), Portland to the Coast via the Sunset Highway (State Highway 2), and then to Astoria via the Oregon Coast Highway (U. S. 101).

The change will put the state highways on the route on the federal aid system.

Route Numbers To Change
The state highway route numbers along the way will be changed to U. S. 26. Where the new route goes along existing federal routes U. S. 20 and U. S. 101, the road will be marked with both U. S. 26 and the present number.

The route from Prineville to Eugene, now U. S. 28, will be U. S. 26. It crosses the Cascades through McKenzie Pass. Another change to be made is in the route from Maryhill, Wash., along the Washington side to the new bridge at The Dalles, through The Dalles, and down State Highway 23 to its junction with U. S. 97. The number will be changed to U. S. 197 and will be an alternate route for U. S. 97.

The bridge at The Dalles will be constructed soon.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The world's tensest drama, at this moment in history: Place, Munsan, Korea. Time, this morning. Dramatis personae: Major General Howard M. Turner, a negotiator for our side at the Korean truce conference, and Chinese Major General Hsieh Fang a Communist negotiator.

TURNER (to Hsieh): You have cast yourself in the role of a bandit.
HSIEH (to Turner): You have fully exposed your ugly, ferocious features of a bandit.
TURNER: The United Nations command did not come to Korea to surrender. We have no intention of leaving the South Koreans to your tender mercies.

HSIEH: Your statement is rude and absurd. You have gone too far in your absurdity and arrogance.
Nice, gentlemanly business, this negotiating with communists, isn't it?
This exchange of insults between our General Turner and Chinese Communist General Hsieh brings (Continued on Page 4)

The Weather

Cooler with showers today and tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, with rain Friday evenings.
Highest temp. for any Jan. — 77
Lowest temp. for any Jan. — 4
Highest temp. yesterday — 50
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 37
Precip. last 24 hours — .53
Precip. from Jan. 1 — 2.09
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 22.70
Excess — 7.25
Sunset today, 4:57 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:44 a.m.

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Atlantic Finally Claims Flying Enterprise

Gallant Ship Loses Battle Of 2 Weeks

Heroic Capt. Carlson, Mate Dancy Rescued After Leap Into Sea

LONDON (AP) — The gallant American freighter Flying Enterprise sank in the stormy Atlantic Thursday after a mighty two weeks duel with the sea.

Heroic Capt. Kurt Carlson and First Mate Kenneth Dancy of the tug Turmoil were snatched from the churning waters to safety.

Carlson and Dancy leaped overboard when it became evident the 6,711-ton freighter was going down under the crashing waves.

The stand-by rescue fleet closed in. The tug Turmoil threw over a rope ladder, and the two men climbed to safety. They were in the water only about four minutes.

Sea Tradition Obeyed
Carlson refused to give up until the stricken freighter obviously was heaving her last. He had battled since the Christmas Day hurricane to save his ship. His solitary duel with the Atlantic began Dec. 28 after he ordered the crew to abandon the ship, which carried a crew of 40 and 10 passengers.

Dancy joined him last Saturday. The big freighter thrashed about in its final agony for 40 minutes and then disappeared. Aboard the British salvage tug Turmoil, Carlson and Dancy, bearded and exhausted, climbed into dry clothing as the tug turned hurriedly in the direction of Falmouth, about 40 miles away.

Valuable Cargo Lost
The two men leaped overboard even as the Enterprise gave a heave to port and began slowly to keel over on her side. Part of her cargo—worth more than a million dollars—was strewn about the surface of the churning water in profusion. Soon other parts of the Enterprise began to crack, and more cargo was pitched out into the sea.

It was a gallant death. The rescue fleet saluted it. In the last few minutes the tugs sounded their sirens. Only the bow of the Enterprise was visible.

At 4:09 p.m. flames on the surface of the water near the ship were lighted, casting a weird light over the area as the Enterprise took her final lunge. One minute later the Enterprise was below the sea.

Charged Arson Ups Arrests Against Man
A charge of attempted arson was filed Wednesday in District Court against Raymond Willard Wood, former SP section hand, in connection with a fire at the Reedsport depot Dec. 27.

Wood is also being held on former charges of assault and battery and petit larceny.

In the latest charge, he is accused of setting fire to debris in a lavatory at the depot. He was arrested by Reedsport police at the scene of the fire. No serious fire damage resulted.

Wood waived preliminary hearing in District Court Wednesday on the charge and is being held in lieu of \$2,000 bail, Judge A. J. Geddes said.

Investigation after the blaze revealed someone had broken up broom handles and other pieces of wood to start the fire, the sheriff's office reported.

Draft Registrations Used By Check Forger
CHICAGO (AP) — Robert W. Freimann, 21, was seized by the FBI Wednesday and admitted, agents said, registering 40 times for the draft to get identification cards needed to cash \$7,700 in stolen checks.

Harry T. O'Connor, head of the Chicago FBI office, said among checks Freimann stole was a \$60 government check issued to Mrs. Joe Willie Riley.

Mrs. Riley, a Gold Star mother, was classified I-A by a draft board recently and ordered for induction. A board official said a false endorsement on Mrs. Riley's checks may have been a factor in classifying "Joe Willie Riley" I-A.

O'Connor quoted Freimann as saying he needed the registration cards for identification in cashing checks he stole from letter boxes the past two years.

FIRE DAMAGES HOME
Fire caused an estimated \$50 damage in the E. E. Woodcock residence, 1136 W. 1st Ave. N., at 9:25 a.m. today, reports Fire Chief William E. Mills.

The blaze was caused by an overheated wallboard next to the stove.

Oregon State College President, Football Coach Elliott Will Speak At Roseburg C. C., Alumni Meets

Dr. A. L. Strand, president of Oregon State College, will speak twice in Roseburg next Monday Jan. 14, on a tour of Southern Oregon, sponsored by the OSC Alumni Association. He will be accompanied by Bump Elliott, OSC backfield coach, and Bob Knoll, manager of the OSC Alumni Association.

Problems in higher education in Oregon will be explained by Dr. Strand at a Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Umpqua Hotel Monday noon. Elliott will also speak briefly on football.

An alumni banquet has been scheduled at the Umpqua Hotel at 7 p.m. Monday. Maurice J. Newland, 1925 Oregon State graduate and chairman of the meeting, has emphasized that this is an open meeting with anyone, whether a former Oregon State or not, being welcome. Eugenia Rhodes, Alumni Association secretary, is handling details for the two meetings.

President Strand is expected to speak at the evening meeting on the principles of freedom and possibly to touch on the athletic situation in general in colleges and universities. Elliott is also on the program for a short talk and will show pictures of last fall's Oregon State-Oregon football game for those wishing to remain for them.

Newland has announced that new officers for the local OSC Alumni Association will also be elected at the banquet meeting.

Dr. Strand and the alumni party will visit Roseburg, Medford, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls and Lakeview on the Southern Oregon tour.

Reservations for the Monday evening banquet may be made with Eugenia Rhodes, phone 36536, or at the Hotel Umpqua desk.

North Pacific Combed For 45 Adrift At Sea

SEATTLE (AP) — Planes and ships joined Thursday in a desperate search of the stormy North Pacific for 45 men who took to the lifeboats late Wednesday from the crippled, leaking freighter Pennsylvania.

Planes started scanning the area about 465 miles northwest of the northern tip of Vancouver Island. Mountainous waves and a temperature of around 35 degrees brought grave fears for the seamen—if they made it safely into the lifeboats under hazardous conditions.

PORTLAND (AP) — The red haired wife of the Pennsylvania's captain waited anxiously Thursday for word of the rescue of her husband and the crew of the stricken ship.

"He's always come back safely, through the war and all, but it's certainly hard waiting and not knowing," said Mrs. George P. Plover while waiting beside her radio.

Waiting with her were the couple's two sons, Patrick, 14 and Timothy, 10.

Plover was skipper of merchant marine ships in the Atlantic and survived one previous shipwreck. That was at the mouth of the Columbia River in 1930, when the Admiral Benson ran onto Peacock Spit. He was quartermaster on the ship.

TRAFFIC DEATH NO 1
PORTLAND (AP) — The first traffic fatality of the year was recorded here Wednesday. Fatally injured in a two-car collision was Mrs. Anna Clayton, 78, route 4, Hillsboro.

CEILING PRICES ON LOGS Slated For Discussion
EUGENE (AP) — Loggers and sawmill operators will meet here Saturday to discuss controversial log ceiling prices.

Representatives of the Office of Price Stabilization will take part in the conference, sponsored by the Western Forest Industries Association.

The timber sales program planned for the Willamette Valley this year also will be explained by the bureau of land management.

TARGET FOR MUD, ROTTEN EGGS

All Right With Me If Eisenhower Runs For President, Truman Says

By ARTHUR EDSON
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Truman said Thursday if General Eisenhower wants to run for President—and he the target for mud and rotten eggs—it's all right with him.

But when he was asked if he would support Eisenhower, Mr. Truman said he doesn't think the country would prosper under any Republican candidate.

Mr. Truman stressed at his news conference what he has said many times before: He has a high opinion of Eisenhower, and he likes him, and he wants him to stay on as the top commander of United Military Forces in Europe.

He's doing a good job, Mr. Truman said. And, he said, Eisenhower will stay on the job until he himself

Reds' Scheme To Up Forces Draws Swat

Forced Repatriation Of Prisoners Seen Aim Of 'Choice' Objection

By OLEN CLEMENTS
MUNSAN, Korea (AP) — Allied negotiators Thursday accused the Communists of scheming to strengthen their forces in Korea by "forced repatriation" of prisoners of war.

Rear Adm. R. E. Libby said the Reds are "scared to death" of giving war prisoners freedom of choice as to whether they want to be repatriated.

He told the Reds that by opposing this principle in the Allied plan they "denounce individual freedom and advocate slavery."

The U. N. again rejected the Red compromise to force supervision in place because it failed to ban construction and repair of military air fields.

As the armistice talks entered the seventh month subcommittees on truce supervision and prisoner exchange appeared tightly deadlocked. However, both scheduled meetings for 11 a.m. Friday (8 p.m. Pat Thursday) in Panmunjom.

Urgent Motive Seen
"Your opposition to our proposal is based solely on your aim of improving your military manpower situation during an armistice," Libby told the Reds. "Only that which benefits your side militarily do you consider true and righteous."

"Having augmented your forces throughout the war by freedom of choice you now seek to continue to augment your forces by its opposite, 'forced repatriation.'"

North Korean Maj. Gen. Lee Sang Cho called Libby's statement "vicious propaganda."

"You should not have used this manuscript in here in the conference," Lee said. "You should have handed it over to your propaganda man to give to the broadcasters and news agencies."

SEOUL, Korea (AP) — Communist riflemen stopped a U. N. raiding party which stormed up the slopes of a hill northwest of Yonchon in snow-covered Western Korea before dawn Thursday.

The U. S. Eighth Army said the raiders failed to reach the top of the hill. They pulled back after 2 1/2 hours under heavy mortar fire.

Spring Opening Plans Talked By Retailers
Spring opening was the topic discussed at the Retail Trades Association meeting in the Hotel Umpqua Wednesday.

A committee, Glenn Clute, John Bates, Bill Gray, Jean Whittenburg and Mable Lewis, was appointed to study plans for the opening, determine what form the program should take and to select a date.

There was considerable discussion as to whether the stores should be on this night, instead of having window displays only. This matter will also be thoroughly considered by the committee named by President John Hardiman.

DRUNK DRIVING DENIED
Charles Wesley Epperson, 59, Roseburg, pleaded innocent Wednesday to a drunk driving charge and is being held in \$600 bail for trial, according to District Judge A. J. Geddes.

Oregon Turkey Biggest, Missouri Chief Admits
ST. LOUIS (AP) — The biggest turkey in the country comes from Oregon, Even Gov. Forrest Smith, who comes from Missouri, will admit it.

Smith, who looked over some big Missouri turkeys two months ago, challenged governors of the other states to send a bigger turkey to the National Turkey Federation convention here.

When the judges got through Wednesday night, Smith was dumbfounded. Missouri's 40-pound 15-ounce bird was sixth.

The biggest of all was the 49-pound, 8-ounce turkey from Loren A. Johnson, Scappoose, Ore.

Beans Given Congress To Insure More Soup
WASHINGTON (AP) — One ton of hand-picked Michigan beans is on the way to the House restaurant to make bean soup for congressmen.

The Michigan Bean Shippers Association of Saginaw, Mich., telegraphed Rep. Steed (D.-Okla.) Thursday that the free beans are being dispatched immediately.

When Congress opened Tuesday, Steed noted mournfully that while the lawmakers were away the restaurant had replaced its generous old soup plates with little ones.

The bean men expressed the hope that Steed and his colleagues may again enjoy big bowls of "delicious, nourishing bean soup, made from the best navy beans on earth."

Foreign Aid Appears Due For Pruning

Defense Strengthening Speed Finds Favor; Truman Faces Rebuffs

By JACK BELL
WASHINGTON (AP) — An election year Congress responded with demands for economy and no more taxes Thursday to President Truman's State of the Union appeal for a broad program of foreign aid and domestic spending.

Lawmakers gave signs they will support a speed-up in efforts to increase American military might.

But the Republican and southern Democrats who can muster a majority of both Houses when they stick together appeared determined to hack down the amount of foreign aid and to scuttle many of the President's domestic social security proposals.

They had some backers among administration supporters for their economy-and-no-more taxes movement.

Sen. McFarland of Arizona, the Democratic leader, was pleased that Mr. Truman called for an increase in the size of the Air Force and stepped up defense production.

Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D.-Colo.), who doesn't always agree with Mr. Truman, called it "one of the President's better speeches."

Republicans pounded the point that Mr. Truman made no mention of economies. Sen. J. W. (B.-N.Y.) said the message "showed practically no concern over the actual economic welfare of the country."

Sen. Martin (R.-Pa.) said Mr. Truman was proposing "high taxes, big spending, deficit financing, unbalanced budgets and ever increasing debts."

Republicans Criticize
Sen. Fulbright (D.-Ark.) said the President's message left him "depressed about the State of the Union."

Sen. Taft of Ohio, a Republican Presidential candidate who got a (Continued on Page 2)

Truman Omits Reference To Any Boost In Taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The prospect of any general federal tax increase this year — unless widespread war breaks out — shrunk to the vanishing point Thursday.

Congressional revenue experts noted that President Truman's State of the Union message spoke only of continued high taxes over the next few years, and omitted any mention of a possible further increase.

His reference to the desirability of spreading those levies as fairly as possible among the people indicated to some top tax authorities that Congress at the most will be asked to plug existing "loopholes" which give special tax relief to one group or another.

There is no certainty that the lawmakers would go even that far. The consensus at the Capitol was that any recommendation for another general increase would be a waste of White House stationery.

Would Return To GI Mate, Once Reported Killed

ATLANTA (AP) — A pretty 22-year old bride has decided to keep the first of two soldier husbands given her by a strange turn of fate in the fortunes of war.

In the name of Mrs. Agnes Dixon she petitioned superior court to annul her marriage to William S. Sasser. She asked that the marriage be declared null and void on grounds that she is the legal wife of Walter B. Dixon, once reported killed in Korea but later listed among war captives alive in Communist prison camps.

She and Sasser were directed by Judge E. E. Andrews to appear in court for a hearing January 28. Sasser agreed in a signed affidavit to abide by the court's declaratory judgment.

The petition recounted that she was married to Dixon at Conley, Ga., on April 5, 1950, and was notified by the Defense Department in June, 1951, that he had been killed in action.

Last September she married Sasser in the belief that she was a widow, the petition related.

She found Dixon's name on the rolls of prisoners of war published just before Christmas.

City Bus Service Halts Until Next Monday

Roseburg city bus service will be discontinued until Monday, it was announced by the Roseburg Transit Co. Regular service will then be resumed. One of the buses was damaged in a collision with a light truck on North Jackson St. at its intersection with E. 1st Ave. So. Tuesday.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein
Unless corruption in the federal government is eradicated, Washington, D. C., may come to be known as Washington D-K.