

First Citizen



Bob McCarl

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Bob McCarl Is Recipient Of First Citizen Award For String Of Activities

By LEROY INMAN

Bob McCarl, KRRR radio announcer and chairman of the local branch of Dimes fund raising campaign, is Roseburg's Junior First Citizen of 1951.

But it is not for his work with polio that McCarl was chosen. He has a string of activities and achievements for the year that made him qualified for the position, said Wayne Crooch in announcing the first citizen choice at last night's Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored banquet and ball. The affair took place at the Roseburg Country Club.

M. E. Huff Adds Another Clipping Of Crime History

Marshall E. Huff, 38, has another newspaper clipping to add to his collection today.

Huff, who kept clippings telling of his break from the Benton County jail in June, 1949, and the subsequent search and arrest, was sentenced to three years in the State Penitentiary Friday by Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly.

Huff pleaded guilty to obtaining money by false pretenses, involving the passing of a \$38.26 worthless check. Also cleared up with Huff's arrest was the passage of five other bad checks in the county, State Police said.

Three other men pleaded guilty to various charges in Circuit Court Friday.

Phillip Arthur Thexton, received a one-year penitentiary sentence after pleading guilty to non-support of five minor children.

District Attorney Robert G. Davis said Thexton's family had received \$2,228 in welfare aid to dependent children since last March.

Judge Wimberly postponed sentence on Ethan Carl Billings, 24, Lebanon, who pleaded guilty to a district attorney's information charging him with passing a \$10 worthless check.

Sentence was also postponed on James Leon Deern, 35, Reedsport, who admitted assaulting a Reedsport man with a pocket knife.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Heidelberg, Germany: The U. S. army command in Europe said Tuesday that Russia's "mic bomb" could be used both in strategic targets on home fronts and in tactical operations on a battlefield.

What does that mean? It means, in simple language that Russia is keeping pace with us technologically in development of the bomb.

That isn't too surprising. At the end of the war, Russia took over her full share of German technical and scientific brains. These German scientists and technicians were an odd breed of cats. We took over a lot of them, along with their laboratories and their shops.

In effect, when we took them (Continued on Page 4)

The Weather

Cloudy with occasional showers today and Sunday.
Highest temp. for any Jan. 77
Lowest temp. for any Jan. 46
Highest temp. last 24 hours 44
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 37
Precip. from Jan. 1 3.27
Precip. from Sept. 1 23.88
Excess 6.74
Sunset today, 5:06 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:40 a.m.

36 FEARED DEAD IN PLANE CRASH

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Grain Shortage In Govt. Dept. Gets Attention

Full-Scale Inquiry Predicted In Future; Decision Not A Vote

By EDWIN B. HAKINSON

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senators Saturday predicted quick approval of a full-scale investigation of multi-million dollar activities in the Department of Agriculture.

"We should be able to make sin a little less tempting to people, either in government or dealing with the government," Senator Aiken (R-Vt.) told a reporter.

Chairman Ellender (D-La.) of the Senate Agriculture Committee which unanimously approved the investigation late Friday, said he expects quick Senate approval and \$50,000 to finance it.

"A lot of people have been accused of various things," Ellender said. "We hope to give them a chance to tell their story."

Acted After Hearing

The committee acted after hearing Secretary of Agriculture Brannan and Comptroller General Lindsay C. Warren testify about several million dollars of shortages in government-owned grain and other commodities.

Ellender said the probe was not a decision for or against either Brannan or Warren.

In addition to approving the probe of grain storage and other department activities, the committee also listed these matters for investigation.

1. Reports a Kansas City, Mo., group made thousands of dollars of profits by leasing surplus Army buildings at Camp Crowder, Mo., and then subleasing them to the Agriculture Department for grain storage.

2. Complaints department employees in the federal land bank and farm credit agencies in St. Louis, Mo., formed a pool to speculate in oil and gas leases on land formerly owned or controlled by the government.

It is estimated that between four and seven million dollars worth of government-owned grain has been sold by elevator and warehousemen, who are not agriculture or government employees.

Stray Dogs Kill Sheep At Glide

Stray dogs killed several sheep owned by Phil Strider at Glide, it is reported here. The sheep were killed while grazing in their pasture.

A number of stray dogs are reported in the Glide area, and they presumably have been left there by persons coming into the area during the summer for work or recreation.

According to Mrs. Arthur M. Selby, News-Review correspondent, every spring and summer there is an influx to the Glide community of unemployed families from other states, especially California, seeking jobs in the logging and sawmill industries.

In November and December when woods work is curtailed, these people move on or go back where they came from. Some of them have left cats and dogs to seek food wherever they can find it.

A collie and another dog of the pointer breed have been driven from the Selby place several times. Several chickens which were killed were charged up against this pair of marauders. No owners of the dogs could be located, said Mrs. Selby.

France Barbed For Tax Grab

By B. L. LIVINGSTONE

WASHINGTON (AP)—A congressional committee Saturday demanded that France quit grabbing taxes "about one dollar in five" of the money the United States gives for mutual defense construction in that country.

It said the tax on American procurement transactions in France amounts to more than the total the French themselves give to the defense program. The take, it said, might hit 100 million dollars.

Disclosure of French taxes on American defense works comes at a time when Congress is about to be asked for more money to finance European defenses.

It appeared certain to stir up a storm among lawmakers who have already balked at President Truman's request for additional taxes.

In a toughly worded report, a special House committee charged that "fantastically" pyramided taxes now being applied on military construction by the French government constitute "a serious drain" on U.S. funds.

Nineteen Persons Perish In Worst California Flood



LOWLANDS HIT HARD — Hardest hit were the lowlands districts in Los Angeles and Orange Counties and in the San Fernando Valley. Nearly 1,200 families, evacuated from their homes as floodwaters reached depths of three to four feet, returned to survey and repair the damage.

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Gen. MacArthur's Theory On Korean War Question Receives Senator's Vote

By JACK BELL

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Senator Knowland R-Calif., declared Saturday, in an endorsement of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's policies, that the United States has no business fighting in Korea unless it expects to win.

The California Senator, a supporter of Gov. Earl Warren's bid for the Republican presidential nomination, brought MacArthur's name before the GOP National Committee in its closing session.

Former Governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota drew cheers Friday night when he declared that MacArthur should be restored to the Pacific command from which President Truman removed him. It was the first public mention of MacArthur.

Four candidates for the Republican presidential nomination, including Warren, have either spoken for themselves or been present here. But MacArthur has not been forward publicly as a candidate, though his name has been in the lobby talk.

In this connection, F. E. Epton, Portland, Ore., real estate dealer, told a reporter that a MacArthur slate would be entered in the Oregon presidential primary.

Indications are that he thus may be pitted against Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who says he is a Republican and available for the party nomination, but won't join in any pre-convention campaign.

As a possible indication of the general feeling of Republicans toward MacArthur, Knowland declared in a prepared luncheon speech that the five-star general was the principal "stabilizing force" in the Korean situation.

The program will lead the discussion.

Charles V. Stanton, editor of the News-Review, said Hickerson was arranged by officials of the chamber for the purpose of assisting in the development of a work program for the chamber based on needs recognized as such at the local level.

Merger Election Set By Schools

A school election to vote on the proposed consolidation of Drain district 22 and Leona district 76 has been scheduled for Feb. 15, the county school office reported.

This will be the second election within a year on the consolidation proposal. Last June 18 voters from the Drain district approved the consolidation by a 38-2 vote, but Leona voters turned it down, 29-16.

The proposed consolidation would affect the elementary schools. Drain Union High School, district U-12, is not a part of the consolidation proposal, according to Kenneth P. Barneburg, county school superintendent.

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Flooded Southern California began digging out Saturday from its worst deluge in 14 years.

The continuing storm which dumped 7.37 inches of rain on Los Angeles in three days, left 19 known dead and sent damage estimates soaring into the millions.

It was the worst downpour since the disastrous flood of March, 1938, when 11.06 inches of rain fell in five days and caused 95 deaths. It was the worst January downpour since 1918, when 13.30 inches was recorded for the entire month.

The U. S. Weather Bureau said that mark may yet be broken, because more rain, although not as much, is forecast for the week-end.

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Mailman Sued By Riddle Girl Alleging Injuries

Permanent injuries were suffered by a 3-year-old Riddle girl when the mailman ran over her, she alleges in a Circuit Court suit filed Friday by her father.

The plaintiff is Marthine Owens, who asks \$15,000 general damages in the suit against Walter R. Holmes, rural mail carrier.

The complaint sets up that last Aug. 23 Holmes stopped his pickup at the mail box at the L. Bert Owens home on Shoestring Road south of Riddle.

The little girl went to the mailbox and was struck and carried 27 feet when Holmes started to drive away, the complaint alleges.

Marthine suffered a skull fracture, three broken ribs and permanent facial scars, it was alleged. Special damages of \$331.50 are also asked.

Defendant Pleads Guilty Minutes Before Trial

A scheduled jury trial in District Judge A. J. Geddes' court Friday failed to materialize when the defendant pleaded guilty minutes before the trial was to begin.

The defendant, Fred Theodore Long, 46, 313 W. Lane St., was fined \$60 and given a 30-day trial jail sentence after he had changed and pleaded guilty to a drunk driving charge.

Long also faces a charge of lewd cohabitation filed Friday in district court. He pleaded innocent.

Also pleading innocent to a lewd cohabitation charge Friday was Donna Emma Blewitt, 55, 313 W. Lane St. She was jailed in lieu of \$750 bail.

Senator Sees Election Bid In Truman's Stiff Remark

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman's reported remark he has "never quit a fight" was seen by Senator Anderson (D-Minn.) Saturday as a new indication the Chief Executive will seek another term.

Anderson talked of a "strengthened conviction" Mr. Truman is going to run again even as Senator Humphrey (D-Minn.) entered the March 18 Minnesota presidential primary as a "favorite son" candidate—at the President's request, Humphrey said.

Humphrey insisted he has no White House ambitions, and said the vote of his state's Democratic-farmer-labor delegation would be cast for Mr. Truman at the July nominating convention if the President bids for re-election.



CHARLES DOERNER

Charles Doerner Files Nomination For County Clerk

Charles Doerner, deputy county clerk, Friday became the second person to file for nomination for the county clerk's position to be vacated by Roy Agee.

Doerner, of Rt. 3, Box 1475, filed for the Republican nomination.

A life-time resident of the county, Doerner taught history and government at Roseburg Senior School for six years. He was graduated from Linfield College with a Bachelor of Science degree in political and social science.

He also took graduate work at the University of Oregon and Oregon State College. He will start his third year as first deputy clerk on Feb. 1.

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He has also been a farmer for 10 years and a department head for three and one-half years at Montgomery Ward.

As a campaign platform, Doerner listed, "courteous, efficient and honest service to all with reasonable economy in administration."

"I have always held the highest regard for the democratic and humanitarian services performed by this office," he declared Thursday, "and I felt that when the people of Douglas County should be called on to select a new county clerk there should be a candidate qualified by adequate academic training with personal public service and specific training on the job in this highly-specialized field."

Nathan Fullerton, Druggist, Passes

Nathan Fullerton, lifelong resident of Roseburg and retired druggist, died shortly before noon today at Mercy Hospital. The body has been removed to Long & Orr Mortuary and complete obituary and funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Fullerton established the Rexall Drug Store in Roseburg and was well known locally.

Belgian Attache Flees With Child

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP)—Belgium's titled military and air attaché to Washington flew home Saturday with his infant son after racing over the U. S.-Canadian border and across the Atlantic to keep the baby from its American asbestos heiress mother.

The father, 38-year-old Count Yvan du Monceau de Bergendal, arrived Saturday morning, bringing his 14-month-old son, Tommy Manville du Monceau.

His 23-year-old estranged wife, Lorraine—an heiress to Manville asbestos millions and niece of much married Tommy Manville, had pursued him to Montreal Friday but arrived four hours after he boarded a British Overseas Airways Stratocruiser and fled to Europe with the baby.

The count's mother accompanied him from Washington.

In tears and only a few days out of a hospital bed, the rich young countess returned to New York empty-armed Friday night.

"He's a trickster," she sobbed. She went from the airfield to Doctors' Hospital where she was too distraught to register, and her mother signed in for her. On Jan. 2 she underwent what was described as a "very serious" operation for removal of a large breast tumor.

BURN RAPIDLY

It took just 45 seconds for one of the infamous "torch sweaters" to burn up Friday in a test by the Roseburg fire department.

Another sweater burned more slowly, it took a minute. One was completely enveloped in flames in a mere 15 seconds.

Air-Lift Craft Takes Plunge Into Icy Sea

7 Persons Rescued But No Trace Found Of Others Aboard

SEATTLE (AP)—A Korean air-lift plane with 43 aboard crashed into the sea near a British Columbia airport Saturday and hours later only seven persons had been rescued.

"It looks doubtful whether there are any more survivors," said a Canadian official at Vancouver, B. C.

The big plane, enroute from the Far East to McChord, Wash., Air Force Base, carried 40 military passengers and a crew of three.

It splashed into the icy North Pacific at 1:38 a.m. trying for an emergency landing at an airport on Queen Charlotte Island.

Small boats sped to the scene three-fourths of a mile offshore, and one reported it picked up seven persons.

The tugboat Labouchere joined the search as planes circled and dropped flares.

The Canadian spokesman, declining use of his name, gave his grim comment after rescuers had searched five hours without finding additional persons.

Flashed For ATIME

The Coast Guard in Seattle reported the plane floated for a time; then went down in shallow water leaving only one wing and the tail section in sight.

Planes rushed to the isolated airport from Canadian, Alaskan and United States bases. Some carried droppable boats.

An Air Force public relations officer at McChord also said reports indicated there were only seven survivors but he added there still was hope others would be found.

The airlift plane, attempting a three-engine landing, made a pass at the small field but missed and kept going.

"It seemed to be airborne again," a public relations officer said, "but it veered sharply to the left and shortly afterward shrouds were heard from the water northeast of the airport."

"The wreckage was spotted and identified by another plane. Shouts from the water, asking help, were heard at 3:34 a.m., about two hours after the crash."

Then small boats reached the scene and the survivors were rescued. They were to be taken to a nearby hospital.

The Air Force reported the airlift plane drifted north in Hecate Strait, between the islands and the British Columbia coast, after the crash. The surface temperature was 33 above with light snow, and a 22-mile-an-hour wind was blowing.

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Internal Revenue Employee Sued By Lady Agent

PORTLAND (AP)—Hugh H. Earle, Oregon's collector of internal revenue, is being sued for \$150,000.

Mrs. Daisy Taylor, a woman insurance agent who filed the suit Friday, said Earle beat her up in a Portland restaurant.

But Earle, through his attorney, said he thought the suit was filed because he attempted to collect money which he had loaned the woman earlier.

Mrs. Taylor said in her suit that Earle kicked, beat and permanently injured her in a restaurant July 11, 1950. She asked \$50,000 punitive damages and \$100,000 compensatory damages.

Earle said it wasn't so. He said Mrs. Taylor entered a restaurant where he and a friend were eating. She became abusive, he said, and the proprietor called police.

Earle added that the only reason the suit was filed was because of "recent criticism leveled against this bureau."

He meant the recent Internal Revenue Bureau scandals in other cities. No irregularities have been reported in the Portland office.

In a statement, Earle's attorney, Thomas B. Mahoney, said: "During May, 1950, I made demand upon Mrs. Taylor for repayment of a substantial sum of money which Earle had loaned Mrs. Taylor. Whereupon I received a visit from her attorney representing Mrs. Taylor who intimidated Mrs. Taylor, might bring these present charges against my client in event he is tempted to seek legal redress to secure payment of the loan."

Mahoney said he then secured a judgment against Mrs. Taylor.

Stiff Penalty Meted Alleged Drunk Driver

Gerald Earl Dodge, 32, 2203 Sunset St., was fined \$500 and given a 15-day jail sentence Friday by District Judge A. J. Geddes after pleading guilty to a drunk driving charge.

Dodge was arrested by State Police Jan. 12.

Curtis V. Standridge, 40 Dillard, was arrested Friday by a sheriff's deputy on a drunk driving charge, and was expected to be arraigned today in district court, the sheriff's office reported.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Excess loads are getting costlier these days, whether on the body of a truck or in the stomach of a motorist.