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I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



BOB HORN, of Roseburg Refrigeration, as he ironed a dress shirt on an ironer which I strongly suspect his wife of having purchased as her first Christmas present to him—wouldn't that seem a wise and logical thing for any wife to do? Of course, the demonstration pictured above took place in the store and Bob really can do an excellent job ironing a shirt and in a remarkably short time, too. Bob is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Horn of 411 South Jackson street (and owner of Roseburg Refrigeration). He is a graduate of Oregon State College, majoring there in food tech. and geology. His wife is the former Danese Doak, a graduate of Roseburg High School and, prior to her marriage a year and a half ago, a student at Stephens College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Bryant of Laurelwood.

ONE QUEEN OR TWO?

Centennial Leaders Debate Top Detail; Noted Composer To Write Score For Pageant

An original score for the county's forthcoming Centennial pageant will be written by a nationally-known composer, Lowell Rhoden, board chairman, reported Tuesday night. Rhoden and members of the board of governors made progress reports at the second general Centennial meeting, which was attended by representatives of various organizations.

Penitentiary Terms Meted Two Culprits

Two men were taken to the State Penitentiary today by Deputy Jack Cater after they were sentenced Tuesday in Circuit Court to one year each by Judge Carl Wimberly. They were James Bishop Phillips, 30, of Sheridan, who pleaded guilty to larceny from an automobile, and Albert William Osborne, 25, of Prineville, who pleaded guilty to non-support of a minor child.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Portland, where these words are written, the Oregonian and the Journal are vying with each other in the amount of space devoted to listing the names of persons who overpaid their taxes and are due to get refunds. Somewhere along the line this system of refunding over-payments was flippantly referred to by some reporter as "the jackpot."

At any rate, the principle is the same. In taxes as in slot machines, in these modern days, we put in a lot more than we take out.

Did your eye happen to fall on any of these lists? If so, I'll bet this is what you did. First, you looked to see if by any chance your own name was there. Then you read on to see if any of your friends were included.

That's news. As a matter of fact, it's "man-bites-dog" news, which is a smart crack for unusual news. When the tax collector puts the bite on the citizen, it's so common that we pay little attention to it.

The Weather

Fair today, increasing cloudiness tonight. Occasional rain Thursday. Highest temp. for any Feb. 79. Lowest temp. for any Feb. 3. Highest temp. last 24 hours 41. Lowest temp. last 24 hours 32. Precip. last 24 hours 0. Precip. from Feb. 1 1.16. Precip. from Sept. 1 27.59. Excess 7.29. Sunset today, 5:32 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow, 7:22 a.m.

Reds Make New Offer At Parley

Withdrawal Of Troops Under Political Plans Proposed To Allies

MUNSAN, Korea (AP) — The Communists Wednesday proposed a high level political conference within 90 days after a Korean armistice to negotiate withdrawal of foreign troops, settle the Korean problem and resolve related issues in the Orient.

The three-point proposal was made at Panmunjom in the first full dress session of truce negotiating teams in two months.

Allied delegates made no comment. They took the proposal under study and promised a reply later. Observers expressed doubt the United Nations Command would agree to the third point.

Truman Statement Cited

The Red proposal identified it only as "other questions related to peace in Korea."

But in presenting the proposal, North Korean Gen. Nam Il linked it to a statement by President Truman involving U.S. military aid to Formosa, Indochina and the Philippines.

Significantly, the Communist proposal referred for the first time to "The People's Republic of China" as a belligerent in Korea.

Heretofore the Reds have insisted Chinese fighting in Korea were volunteers.

SEUL, Korea (AP) — For the second time in 48 hours Allied infantrymen captured a hill position on Korea's Western Front without firing a shot Wednesday.

Reds seized the vantage point northwest of Yonchon Monday night. Allied troops regained it Tuesday without opposition. The Reds took it again Tuesday night.

Wednesday morning U.N. troops again marched to the top without seeing a single Communist soldier.

In other ground action Wednesday, the Allies threw back three light Red probes in the mountainous east.

Nine B-29 Superforts hit rail lines and industrial targets in North Korea Tuesday night.

Light bombers knocked out 35 of 700 vehicles spotted on North Korean highways during the night.

Allied Naval Headquarters said Navy planes and warships killed or wounded 1,022 Red troops in the week ended Feb. 3.

Price Ceilings On Potatoes Due For Revision

PORTLAND (AP) — A decision on changes in potato price ceilings in Oregon and Washington is in prospect after a current economic study is completed in Klamath County, a price executive said Wednesday.

Meanwhile, he said, shipments to the Portland market are being delayed.

Henry P. Witt, chief of the food section of the Portland Office of Price Stabilization, said that the Central Oregon potato financial study was completed earlier and Vernon K. Malberg, business analyst, then went to Klamath Falls.

Once Malberg's reports are made and checked—a matter of days—a Washington, D. C., price announcement affecting the two northwest states can be expected, Witt said.

He pointed out that right now growers are reluctant to sell to shippers unless they are assured of any higher price resulting from what he called a "clamor" by the organized industry. He said there was no information here on what the price decision would be.

Bomber Crash Kills Three Men, Injures 8

MARCH AIR BASE, Calif. (AP) — Three men were killed and eight injured when a B-29 bomber, sweeping in for a landing, crashed and burned in an alfalfa field a mile and a half short of the runway Tuesday.

The craft apparently lost power and the pilot attempted to crash land with the wheels up.

Some of the survivors were thrown clear, still strapped in their seats. Others were pulled from the flaming wreckage by rescue teams in asbestos suits.

Grain Officials In Texas Ousted By Secy. Brannan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary Brannan Wednesday fired the director and assistant director of the Agriculture Department's commodity office at Dallas, in connection with current investigations of shortages of government grain.

The discharges, of Director Latham White and Assistant Director James Solomon, become effective at the close of business Friday.

They have been off duty since late in December, pending a department investigation.

A department spokesman said the men were removed from their jobs for "administrative deficiencies and inadequacies."

It was in the Dallas area that several commercial storage concerns had been charged with converting government grain to their own use, mainly for speculative uses.

Brannan took his action after studying answers White and Solomon made to charges against them.

Plan For Safety At High School Established

The Roseburg Senior High School faculty is going ahead with adoption of a high school safety plan presented this week by a special committee. Principal George Erickson reported.

The plan, presented by Jack Brooks, high school instructor and head of the five-man committee, calls for laying out of crosswalks, stop signs and designation of student and faculty parking areas, Erickson said.

Others on the committee that submitted the plan are Alva Laws and Edwin O. Wyatt, faculty members, and Tom Burke and Ed Stritzke, students.

Brooks said the plan also calls for formation of a safety council which would deal with fire and shop safety as well as traffic matters. The council would consist of students, faculty members and possibly parents.

Both student and faculty cars would be registered under the plan and student parking would be confined to the main lot west of the Fullerton Building.

Several crosswalks would be painted to permit safe crossing between the main high school building and the library and arts building.

Also considered under the plan is the possibility of traffic safety patrols to direct traffic in the mornings and evenings.

The idea of a traffic "court"—the original proposal—had been rejected by the committee, Brooks said. Under the plan proposed by the group, violators would be referred to the school administration.

SAYS VA TO WIFE: "Husband Dead," But He's Alive At Home

ISLAND TREE, N. Y. (AP) — Mrs. Ruth Bogen read the letter from the Veterans Administration, then his breakfast coffee.

"Dear Mrs. Bogen," the letter started. "We have learned with regret of the death of your husband, Harold . . ." Then it suggested she fill out the enclosed forms to claim his \$10,000 VA life insurance.

Mrs. Bogen, 29, sat right down to write VA officials that her 27-year-old husband was just starting out on his bakery truck delivery route.

The postman knocked Tuesday, Bogen said, just a day after he received his regular VA partial disability check.

Bogen said he had no idea how the VA might have made its mistake.

Motorist Injured In Auto-Truck Crash

A Seattle man Tuesday night suffered minor injuries when he lost control of his car south of Canyonville and collided with a truck, State Police said.

He is Vance B. Roberts, 34. Officers said he was driving north on one mile south of Canyonville on a portion of the highway under construction.

The car skidded on the gravel in a turn and Roberts lost control and smashed into the truck, Police said.

Driver of the truck, Weston D. Laughlin, 35, Coos Bay, was not hurt. Damage to the car amounted to some \$800, officers estimated.

U. S. Casualties Pass 105,000 In Korean War

WASHINGTON (AP) — Announced U.S. battle casualties in Korea reached 105,271 Wednesday, an increase of 270 since last week.

President Still Mum On '52 Plans

Truman Talks Politics To Vets But Withholds Reply To Big Question

By The Associated Press

The big question—will Truman run?—was toyed with but left dangling still, by the President Tuesday night when he talked politics briefly with some veterans.

Addressing the Veterans of Foreign Wars' annual Congressional dinner in Washington, he touched on the 1952 presidential campaign. With a smile he said:

"When the time comes, I am going to try to tell you what the right result is. That is not an announcement."

Earlier, the President had said he will, after all, oppose Sen. Ka-fauver, D-Tenn., in New Hampshire's March 11 presidential preference primary. This reversed a previous statement that he would not stay in the race.

Frank McKinney, the Democratic Party's national chairman, said he hopes the President will decide "within 60 days" whether to stand for a new term.

McKinney said Truman delegates could be filed in states where the candidate's consent is not required. The other states? He left that question up in the air.

Developments Elsewhere

Other political developments:

1. Sen. Kerr, D-Okl., in Omaha, consented to allow entry of his name in the Nebraska presidential preference primary April 1. But he wanted it understood that "if President Truman runs we'll all be for him."

2. Connecticut Gov. John Davis Lodge joined his brother, Sen. Lodge, R-Mass., in support of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, at Hartford, Conn., governor expected to head Connecticut's 22 GOP convention delegates, announced he "personally and enthusiastically" backs the general's presidential candidacy. Sen. Lodge is managing the campaign.

3. In Oklahoma, the running battle for Republican convention delegates continued between factions booming Eisenhower and Sen. Taft, R-Ohio.

Thus far, Eisenhower has four of the 16 pledged to him. Another favors him. One favors Taft and another is uncommitted. Four are to be named at the state convention Feb. 11.

Oregon Puzzle Arises

Oregon Democrats were wondering how to take Eisenhower's name off their party's primary ballot since he has identified himself as a Republican. Attorney General George Neuner ruled erasure would require a court order or withdrawal by voters.

S. S. Taft, speaking at a Lincoln Day rally in Harrisonburg, Va., attacked the Truman Administration's foreign policy, saying it "lost the peace after we won the war." The Republican campaign, he said should be based on the issues of corruption, domestic liberty, foreign policy and Communism.

January's Building Permits Announced

Building permits valued at \$44,000 were issued for construction of four new dwellings in January, reports City Building Inspector C. H. Bonolis.

A \$1500 permit was also granted R. O. Johnson for erection of a new commercial building on South Stephens St.

All permits issued during January totaled \$65,762.

Making application for new homes were Ernest Voorhees, 108 S. Flint St., \$10,000; Episcopal Church for a parish house, \$20,000; M. T. Dimmick, \$10,000; and Cecil Luellen, Giles St., \$4,000.

Three permits for dwelling repair amounting to \$2,330 were granted during the month, and two garage permits estimated at \$1,160 were issued.

Several commercial repair permits were also issued. They amounted to \$8,830.

Sixteen electrical and seven plumbing permits were approved.

Iowa Prison Escapes Facing Charge Here

An escapee of the Iowa State Penitentiary was arrested Tuesday on a charge of passing worthless checks in Roseburg and Myrtle Creek, State Police reported.

Elizabeth First Reigning Queen In Half Century

Empire's Tradition Points To Prosperity During Woman's Rule

LONDON (AP) — The death of King George VI Wednesday brought Britain its first reigning queen since Victoria died 51 years ago.

And the coming to the throne of serious gray-eyed Elizabeth revived a mild superstition—that Britain waxes fat and prosperous with a woman's reign.

The belief grew out of the founding of an empire by another Queen Elizabeth 350 years ago, and its rich expansion under Victoria in the 19th Century.

The new queen, only 25 years old was in far-off Kenya, an East African Colony, at the beginning of a five-month tour of Africa, Ceylon, Australia and New Zealand.

With her was her 30-year-old husband, Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, who cast aside princely Greek titles and became a British citizen to wed her amid great splendor November 20, 1947.

They had intended to complete their empire-cementing journey by continuing around the world, with side visits to the Panama Canal and to Bermuda, British Colony off the Atlantic Coast of the United States.

Now they must return at once. Their son, three-year old Prince Charles, born Nov. 14, 1948, now becomes first in line to succeed to the throne.

The line of succession, in order, then is Charles' year-old sister Anne, and Elizabeth's 21-year old sister, Princess Margaret.

The courtesy title of Queen Mother may pass from King George's mother, Mary, to his widow, Queen Elizabeth.

Another title—and the most important one—is waiting for young Charles.

He is expected someday to become Prince of Wales, a title reserved solely for male heirs to the throne. The title is not passed along automatically, but must be conferred specifically by the reigning monarch.

When Charles eventually is taken in great splendor to the historic ruins of Caernarvon Castle in Wales to be created Prince of Wales, he will be the 21st to hold the title since Edward I inaugurated it in 1301.

There has been no Prince of Wales since the present Duke of Windsor succeeded to the throne as Edward VIII in January, 1936.

According to tradition, Edward I created the title to placate the stubborn Welsh, who wanted a

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UMT Bill Given First Okay But Death Predicted

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Armed Services Committee Wednesday approved a compulsory Universal Military Training bill.

The vote, taken in closed session, was reported as 27 to 7.

The legislation is due to face a House test this month. It provides for the induction into a security training corps for six months of training of all eligible males when they become 18 years of age.

After serving six months, the trainees would be liable for reserve duty for seven and one-half years.

The proposed law would go into effect when passed by the Senate and the House and approved by the President.

However, opponents predicted they will kill it when it reaches the House.

The legislation follows the general outlines of a program submitted by a special commission headed by former Sen. Wadsworth of New York.

The training program would be supervised generally by a civilian-dominated commission. Exemptions or deferments from the six months of training would be held to a minimum.

Riddle School Board Member Faces Charge

J. L. Atkins, a member of the Riddle School Board, has pleaded innocent to a charge that he violated a state code by selling insurance to the Riddle School, according to District Attorney Robert G. Davis.

Atkins was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Nina Pletzold in Canyonville.

He is accused of violation of a state law that prohibits a school board member from financial dealings with the schools.

A date for trial has not yet been set, Davis said.

One Man Injured, Two Cars Wrecked In Crash

One man was injured and two cars were demolished in an accident south of Glendale Tuesday afternoon, state police report.

Fred W. Daugherty Jr., Azalea, received lacerations, bruises and possible concussion, police said.

Neil G. Holt, Illinois, and Leo Arthur Thibault, Navy, driver of Holt's car, both escaped injury.

According to police, the accident occurred when a rear wheel brake locked on the Holt vehicle and it swerved into the path of Daugherty's car.

No citations were issued.



KING GEORGE VI



PRINCESS ELIZABETH

Jury Convicts O'Dwyer's Pal In N.Y. Racket

NEW YORK (AP) — James J. Moran, pal of ex-Mayor William O'Dwyer, was convicted Tuesday night as the mastermind of a \$500,000-a-year fire department shake-down ring.

Moran, who served as first deputy fire commissioner under O'Dwyer, was found guilty on all 23 counts of extortion and one of conspiracy.

The maximum possible sentence could be 34 years in prison.

Moran's bail was revoked after the jury of middle-aged business men reported its verdict. He was sent to the city prison to await sentencing March 4.

The trial ran through 14 court days before General Sessions Judge John A. Mullen.

The prosecution said Moran was the "guiding genius and protector" of the racket in which oil burner installers seeking fire department permits for legitimate jobs were shaken down. The fixed schedule of illegal fees collected by inspectors ranged from \$5 to \$35, witnesses said.

Three men suffered injuries in mill accidents Tuesday and were treated at Douglas Community Hospital.

Gordon Bevans, 1930 Eden Lane, millwright for Umpqua Plywood, suffered a severely lacerated left hand, while repairing a trim saw. He caught his hand between "dog," used to hold lumber in place, and a guard, it was reported. The hand was nearly severed, but tendon repairs were made. Only time will tell whether he will regain use of his hand, according to the hospital report.

Ralph Seiple Jr., Box 345, Idleyl Route, truck driver for Metcalf, injured his leg and suffered loss of two toes on his right foot, when he caught his foot on the spoke of a gear on a loading donkey. Partial amputation of the first two toes on the right foot and severe lacerations and loss of skin on the upper part of his leg resulted. Both men are reported resting comfortably.

Reported was the severing of his left arm below the elbow of Alvin Heard, while he was working at the Morgan-Engle mill in Flournoy Valley Monday. Amputation above the severed portion was necessary. His condition is reported as good.

Trip Continued With Friend After Accident

Donna G. Beattie, Philomath, was enroute to meet her husband at Bilozi, Miss., when she was involved in a traffic accident north of Roseburg Monday.

Although her car was damaged and she suffered minor injuries, she was able to continue on her way.

Behind her in another car was a friend, enroute to Wichita Falls, Tex. After Mrs. Beattie received treatment at Douglas Community Hospital, the two proceeded in the one car. Mrs. Beattie's parents came from Philomath to take care of her automobile.

FLUE FIRE CALL

The Roseburg Fire Department answered a call to a flue fire at 311 E. Oak St. Tuesday. There was no damage.

Nearness Of His Death Unknown To His Family

George, At 56, Empire's Youngest Ruler To Pass Away In 250 Years

By The Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Weary King George VI died Wednesday at 56, ending a 15-year reign that brought England the glory and the dress of victory.

His daughter Elizabeth, 25, immediately became England's seventh queen ruler.

Tired and spent by disease, George VI died in his sleep at Sandringham, the royal estate where he was born. He had suffered from lung cancer, but apparently a blood clot was the immediate cause of death.

More than half the world—the bits of England that lie around the globe and the peoples that are akin—lowered flags in respect to the man who became King against his will but developed into just the steady sort of monarch Britons love.

The new queen, namesake of her mother and of the "Good Queen Bess" who ruled England almost four centuries ago, received word of her father's death while she was on a projected around-the-world tour, now called off.

Youngest To Die Since 1701

The Duke of Windsor, whose abdication-for-love in 1936 brought his brother to the throne, plans to come home for the funeral. He is sailing from New York Thursday.

George VI was the youngest king to die since William III died in 1702 at the age of 51. George VI's father, George V, was 71 when he died.

At 25, Elizabeth is the second youngest queen in history; Victoria was 18 when she began her 63-year reign. She was the last queen, dying in 1901.

There were tears in many eyes as word of the King's death spread, just before noon, but there was perhaps no more eloquent tribute to be heard than the oft-repeated: "He was a good man."

One Lung Removed

Last September one of the King's lungs was removed as cancerous. No announcement was made then of the actual malady. But subsequently specialists closely associated with the man who performed the operation said it was a case of cancer. Court sources confirmed this.

It is believed that a blood clot—coronary thrombosis—was the immediate cause of the King's death.

Last September, a surgeon removed one of his lungs as cancerous, and the King had looked ill for a long time. But even his immediate family did not know death was so near.

The King showed no hint of ap-

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New Tax Idea Hit By Oregon Labor Official

PORTLAND (AP) — James T. Marr, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, doesn't think a special session of the legislature should be called to write a new tax bill.

In fact, he doesn't think a new tax bill is necessary at all. That is what he said Tuesday in reply to a suggestion made recently by Fred Paulus, deputy state treasurer.

Paulus said that unless the state got new income it might have to begin deficit financing.

Marr said the forecast of a state deficit was "absurd."

He said the present tax base would permit a property tax which would bring the state 17 million dollars a biennium.

There have been no property taxes in Oregon for a number of years. Income tax surpluses have made property taxes unnecessary.

Marr said he thought "the unsatisfied longing of the sales tax advocates" was "behind the clamor for a new tax."

Voters have rejected sales tax proposals five times since 1933.

Carrying Concealed Weapons Draws Fine

Robert M. Lunford, Jr., Oswego, was fined \$50 and sentenced to 25 days in jail Tuesday evening in Canyonville Justice court after pleading guilty to carrying concealed weapons.

The penalty was meted by Justice of Peace Nina Pletzold. Lunford was snared by State Police in a road block near Canyonville, and admitted carrying a loaded .45 caliber pistol and two clips of ammunition.

The road block was set up after the report of an armed robbery near Grants Pass early Tuesday evening in which some \$1,500 to \$1,700 was taken.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

The OPS has suspended its curbs on proportion of lambs which may be sold as primal cuts. This gives retailers an opportunity to make consumers pay a profit for lamb, instead of being forced to sell it at such awfully low prices—a mere pittance at around \$1 a pound.