

I SAW By Paul Jenkins



MRS. ANDREW J. TOWNSEND, clerk at the Farm Bureau Co-operative Exchange, as she arranged a seasonal display of garden seeds.

Mrs. Townsend has been with the Bureau for over six years. "No," she stated in reply to a question, "I don't work exclusively in this department. I clerk in most of them. I even sell boiled hays, if a customer wants boiled hays!"

Mrs. Townsend is the wife of Andy Townsend, general manager of the Bureau. Both are making big plans for the entertainment next Monday, the date of the annual stockholders' meeting, of a host of friends of the big Exchange.

Segregation Plan Opposed At Eugene Public Meeting On Negro Housing Dispute

EUGENE (AP) — A Eugene council of inter-racial relations appeared in the making here Tuesday when 400 persons attended a meeting to discuss the housing situation among Negroes here.

The meeting was called by the League of Women Voters following publicity on the plight of 18 Negro families living four miles west of the city. Their homes are without water or sewage facilities.

X-RAY UNIT SCHEDULE

The mobile chest X-ray units will observe the following schedule Thursday: Canyonville, beside honor roll, Terminal Fountain, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Glendale Mill employees only, 1 p.m. until finished; Roseburg (Clowerdale), Pacific Motors, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Roseburg, J. C. Penney Store, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Roseburg, Nielsen's Market, 4 p.m.-8 p.m.; Toketee Falls, Powerhouse, Camp, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In California, where these words are written, there are two subjects of major conversation—rainfall and politics.

As to the first, water is running out of California's ears. In the north, every little creek is a rushing little river. Water stands in every low place in the flatlands.

Going into Sacramento, the Yolo by-pass looks like San Francisco Bay, and so on all down through the San Joaquin Valley. There is water everywhere you look.

South of the Tehachapi, the moisture isn't so apparent to the eye, although they've had rainfall that in any other recent year would have seemed staggering.

In many parts of the Southland, the precipitation so far in this current stream year has reached 18 inches. Rivers that have been dry so long that their dusty beds have come to be accepted as the regular thing are now carrying good-sized flows of water toward the sea.

The ancient tale about the guy who became so bored with life that he is alleged to have said, he would have jumped into the Los Angeles river and ended it all if he hadn't hated to get his new suit all over dust wouldn't get even a chuckle this year, for water is actually flowing in the bed of it.

Up in the Santa Clara Valley, where water has been a burning subject for many, many long dry years, the water table is beginning to rise rapidly. It is asserted on (Continued on Page 4)

The Weather

Fair today. Increasing cloudiness tonight and Thursday. A little warmer tonight. Highest temp. for any Feb. 79. Lowest temp. for any Feb. 3. Highest temp. last 24 hours 48. Lowest temp. last 24 hours 27. Precip. last 24 hours .01. Precip. from Feb. 1 1.37. Precip. from Sept. 1 27.80. Excess 6.38. Sunset today 5:41 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:12 a.m.

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Controls Extension For One Year Probable

President's Request For 2 Years Futile

Tight Restrictions To Be Eased, Congress Spokesman Declares

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Truman will get a controls extension law on the books this year, but not with all of the changes he is seeking.

This is the initial Congressional action on the controls message sent by the President to Capitol Hill Tuesday. Mr. Truman asked a two-year extension of the Defense Production Act—the law that carries price, wage, rent and credit controls plus production and allocation powers for the mobilization drive.

Republican lawmakers available for comment Wednesday said the President would probably get a one-year extension of the law—rather than the two years sought by the White House.

They also said they would try to ease the present "stifling controls" instead of strengthening them as Mr. Truman asked.

Caphart Amendment Scored

The presidential message particularly criticized four provisions of the present law which he said "seriously weakened" controls. They included the so-called Caphart Amendment, which allows manufacturers and processors to get price boosts to cover cost increases between the start of the Korean War and July 26, 1951.

Senate GOP Floor Leader Styles Bridges (N.H.) said the President was trying to make the Caphart and other amendments "scapegoats for his administration's failure to extinguish the fires of inflation."

The act should be extended, Bridges said, "but our efforts should be directed toward easing stifling controls instead of toward strangulation of productivity by government bosses."

Some key Democratic lawmakers also indicated less than wholehearted support for the White House requests.

Pusan's Black Market Section Fire Swept

PUSAN, Korea (AP) — A wind-swept fire gutted Pusan's busiest black market section Wednesday. A government representative said the loss was about \$130,000.

The fire started in a house crowded with refugees and black market goods. In three hours it destroyed 100 small shop-dwellings and 85 other homes.

Authorities said a large amount of U.S. Army clothing and American cigarettes and candy was destroyed.

Injured Swimmer Breaks His Leg—In Bed

NEWTON, Ia. (AP) — Carl Backus, Jr., 29, invalided by a swimming accident several years ago, has had more bad luck. He broke his leg while in bed.

Backus was doing a series of leg exercises in bed when the fracture occurred Monday night.

Probe Of Disasters Closes Newark Airport

NEW YORK (AP) — Government and airline officials have promised to keep disaster-stricken Newark, N. J., airport closed pending Congressional "and other responsible official investigations."

Another direct result of the New York metropolitan area's fourth airline crash in two months is an agreement by 25 airlines to create a special safety committee and to hold flights over congested areas to a minimum.

Government and airline officials met here for almost six hours Tuesday in the wake of Monday's smash-up of a National Airlines plane in Elizabeth, N. J.

The toll of that catastrophe rose to 32 with the death of another plane passenger, Miss Sarah Arnold, 52, of the Bronx, N. Y.

Fearing Robbery Urge, Ex-Con Asks Lock-Up

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — A man who has spent half his life in prison, walked into the police station here and asked to be locked up.

Unless he was, he might rob a bank, police quoted him as saying. Chief Harry Diamond identified the man as Terry Donovan, 54, released less than two weeks ago from the Oregon State Prison after serving four years for armed robbery.

Donovan, who has served seven sentences—which total 27 years—in various prisons wants to go straight now, Diamond said Monday.

So the police held him until they could find a job for him.

PREMATURE People Quoting Truman On '52 Plans Refuted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, said President Truman told him Wednesday he will make up his mind "within the next 10 to 15 days" whether to run for reelection.

Browdy, after a call at the White House, also told reporters: "Judging by his remarks, I'd say he will run again. I personally hope he will."

But another White House caller, who saw Truman right after Browdy, had an entirely different report.

Abraham Feinberg, New York hosiery manufacturer, said he asked the President directly whether he would be a candidate. Feinberg added:

"He said he hadn't made up his mind whether to run, hasn't had time to, and did not plan to make his decision for some time to come."

And a little later, Presidential Secretary Joseph Short, told a news conference that Browdy was not authorized to quote the President.

Now, Short added, was Rep. Sabath, D-Ill., who quoted the President Tuesday as telling him he might make the "sacrifice" and seek reelection if it would serve world peace.

Home County's GOP Renounces Charles P. Taft

CINCINNATI (AP) — Charles P. Taft's home county Republican party scorchingly renounced him Tuesday night and endorsed a rival of his for the GOP gubernatorial nomination, State Sen. Roscoe R. Walcutt.

The party's action came as Walcutt was urging the Cincinnati attorney and brother of Sen. Taft, R-Ohio, to get out of the race and let two "clear-cut" Republicans—former Gov. Thomas J. Herbert of Cleveland and himself—battle it out for the nomination for governor of Ohio.

The Hamilton County GOP organization left no doubt that its snub of Taft was deliberate.

It bitterly attacked the Cincinnati's candidacy and his past record, mentioning particularly his "16 jobs under the New Deal and Fair Deal administrations."

It accused him, too, of having associates and supporters who "have fought tooth and nail in the past to defeat his older brother, Sen. Taft."

Hamilton County is regarded as the biggest Republican county in Ohio and one of the biggest in the country.

Taft appeared unruffled when informed at Toledo of the action.

FIRE DAMAGE SMALL

A fire started by a faulty chimney caused damage estimated at \$25 to the roof of a house located at 1032 W. 1st St. at 7:37 a.m. today, reports Fire Chief William E. Mills.

Chief Mills said a flue fire in the Creason Hotel, 720 N. Jackson St., Tuesday caused no damage.

S.E. Asia Goal Of Reds, Taft Tells Hearers

Ohio Senator Urges Use Of Chiang Kai-Shek's Army To Halt Invasion

SEATTLE (AP) — A Communist assault on Southeast Asia is on the horizon, Senator Taft told a Lincoln Day audience here Tuesday night, and "the only chance to stop it is by a Chinese Nationalist invasion of Communist-held territory."

American arms and training, the Ohioan told 5,000 persons in Seattle's Civic Auditorium, should be speeded to Chiang Kai-shek on Formosa and the "600,000 men in his Army, Navy and Air Force" to effect this invasion.

"Will they," he asked in reference to President Truman and Secretary of State Acheson, "prefer to go on sending American soldiers to the continent of Asia, when Chinese soldiers are begging to be sent to do the job?"

The forces Chiang has now, Taft declared, offer the means "to protect the island chain which is our Pacific shield and to prevent Communist conquest of Southeast Asia."

Applause Frequent

He asked, however, if there could be hope for such "common sense in our national administration until Acheson is thrown out of the Department of State and Truman is thrown out of the White House?"

He was interrupted 21 times for scattered applause by the audience but lengthy and vigorous applause broke out when he mentioned "our greatest soldier: General MacArthur."

Three thousand of his audience paid \$5 each for tickets to the dinner. Two-thousand persons occupied three-fourths of the free admission seats in the balcony.

Roseburg Residents Hurt In Car Accident

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. McGowan, residents of Roseburg for many years, were rushed to Mercy Hospital Wednesday afternoon to receive attention for injuries suffered when their car went out of control on Overlook Hill. Mrs. McGowan was discharged from the hospital following treatment for minor injuries, while Mr. McGowan, who suffered chest injuries, remained in the hospital for further attention.

Mr. McGowan, driver of the car, told police that the car's brakes failed as he was driving downhill on Vista Ave.

Assistant Chief of Police James McAlpine said the car crossed Chadwick St. and struck a light pole.

The car, McAlpine said, was badly damaged.

A. J. YOUNG STRICKEN

A. J. Young, former Roseburg mayor, was rushed to Mercy Hospital early today to receive medical attention for a heart attack, suffered today at his home on Flint Street. No visitors are to be allowed until his condition improves.

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PAUL F. MATSON, above, president and treasurer of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Spokane will be the speaker at the annual Southern Oregon Production Association meeting in the Riverside Grange Feb. 19. Following his graduation from the University of Alberta in 1923, he was employed as superintendent of the Clagstone ranch in Idaho, specializing in the production of beef and dairy cattle and hogs. In 1928, he became affiliated with the bank as livestock inspector and examiner.

Park Board's Activities Told

Inspections of fire-damaged Britt Nichols County Park and planned additions to Winchester Bay park were among December activities of the County Park Department, Supervisor C. S. Collins said in a recent report.

One inspection trip to Britt Nichols Park was made with Robert Kleiner of the Forest Appraisal Department and with Vrooman of the Mar-Linn Timber Corporation, to plan a sequence of logging and to discuss road maintenance problems.

Vandalism has been revealed at Winchester Bay, the report said. A latrine was broken into and a toilet and wash basin removed.

Collins reported he talked to Charles Marks regarding leasing or acquisition of some two acres of the latter's property for use as a parking lot at Winchester Bay. Marks seemed favorably inclined to the idea and stated he wanted concession rights on the waters between his and the county dock, Collins said.

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Raver said Bonneville's gross revenue last year was 36 million dollars and 14 1/2 million of it was left after deducting operating expenses, depreciation and interest on the investment.

Deaths In Avalanches In Alps Rise To 26

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Austria's four-day death toll from Alpine avalanches mounted to 26 Wednesday. Latest victims were three children and a British skier.

New snows were causing the avalanches. Communications in the mountain areas was virtually at a standstill. International trains were running up to seven hours late. Snow drifted to 12 feet deep at some places.

60-Day Limit On Prisoner Swap Okayed

Proposed Compromise On Rotation Awaits Acceptance By Allies

MUNSAN, Korea (AP) — Allied negotiators Wednesday accepted a 60-day limit on exchanging prisoners and offered to compromise their demands for supervising a Korean truce.

The Communists had proposed the 60-day limit. The exchange period is to start when an armistice is signed. The agreement does not touch the key question of voluntary repatriation.

The United Nations Command, holding 132,000 prisoners, had wanted 30 days more than was allowed the Reds to complete the exchange.

The Reds list only 11,359 men in Red POW camps.

Allied staff officers negotiating details for supervising a truce offered a two-point compromise:

If Communists agree to rotating 40,000 troops a month in addition to men on temporary leave, the Allies will drop two demands the Reds oppose.

One of these would forbid shifting troops during a truce in a manner that could constitute an offensive threat. The other would require weekly reports on the location of all major military units.

Reds originally agreed to rotating 5,000 men monthly. They have increased this to 30,000. Allies originally asked 75,000 including men on rest and recuperation leave to Japan.

Both sides "meet halfway" on the number of ports of entry through which troops and arms would move under neutral supervision during a truce.

The Allies had proposed eight. Wednesday they cut it to seven. The Reds had proposed three. Tuesday they increased it to four.

There was no word from the Communists when they would have ready their new proposed solution for the fifth and final item of armistice agenda. This deals with recommendations to the governments concerned for a settlement of the Korean problem.

The Reds promised Tuesday to draft a new plan. It will be presented to a full dress negotiating session.

Meanwhile staff officers continue working on details of the other two unsettled armistice clauses. But each is by-passing the most troublesome issue.

These by-passed points are: Shall the Reds be allowed to repair bombed out airfields? Shall prisoners of war have free choice of whether they want to be exchanged?

Staff officers dealing with prisoners agreed to skip over the voluntary repatriation question Thursday when they start going through the 11 point Allied plan for the second time.

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Bills Affect Split Of Land Grant Money

Oregon Counties Would Get 50 Per Cent Or Less Instead Of Present 75

WASHINGTON (AP) — Oregon counties may suffer a double cut in revenues from O. & C. timber lands, it was revealed here Tuesday when a House appropriations subcommittee made public recent testimony.

A number of Oregon counties now receive 75 per cent of the receipts from the sale of timber on O. & C. lands. The remainder goes to the federal government.

Marion Clawson, Bureau of Land Management director, said that bills now in both the House and Senate proposed dividing the revenues evenly between the counties and the government. That would mean the counties' revenues would be cut one third.

Clawson also said his bureau would recommend amending these bills so all government administrative expenses would be deducted before the 50-50 split is made. That would reduce the counties' share still further.

Access Roads At Stake

The matter came up during discussion of a \$700,000 program for access roads in the O. & C. lands. The House committee rejected a similar request for access road money last year, but an appropriation, granted by the Senate, remained in a compromise bill worked out by Senate and House conferees.

Clawson said that under the present 75-25 split, the government has not lost money. Administrative costs have been less than the government's share, he said.

Rep. Norell, D-Ark., questioned Clawson's statement. "That is a broad statement and might be subject to a rebuttal. Frankly I'm not convinced," he said.

Record Training Period For Army Reserves Slated

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army announced Wednesday it will conduct this year the biggest summer camp training program for its reserves in the nation's history.

The department said in a news release that 160,000 reserve officers and enlisted men will be called for 15 days of active duty, for training on a "mandatory" basis.

Volunteers and other categories will bring the training total up to about 190,000.

In addition to the 160,000 mandatory trainees—44,000 officers and 105,000 enlisted men plus 11,000 officers holding individual mobilization designations—the summer-time total will include:

15,000 officers of the Volunteer Reserve assigned to 15-day tours of summer field training, other active duty or school attendance.

2,000 recruits in the Organized Reserve Corps who are without prior military service. They are authorized to serve a 30-day tour with an active Army training division.

2,677 officers and 2,805 enlisted men who are students at service schools. There will be an average of 60 days of summer schooling for the officers and 30 days for the enlisted men.

6,774 officers and 1,954 enlisted men who are students at Army area schools. They will be selected on the basis of training for future advancement, and their summer courses will average 17 days.

300 officers and 324 enlisted men on the staff and faculty of the Army area schools; 60 days for officers, 30 days for enlisted men.

Thunderstorm Answers Prayer Meeting For Rain

WACO, Tex. (AP) — A thunderstorm early Tuesday damped half an inch of rain at Waco just a few hours after an interdenominational prayer meeting for rain.

Individuals had visited the First Baptist Church chapel all day Tuesday to pray for rain for this drought-stricken area of Central Texas.

At 7:30 p.m. some 70 persons gathered in the chapel for an interdenominational prayer meeting for rain.

Not a cloud was in the sky then but one woman brought her raincoat.

A few hours after the prayer meeting adjourned the lightning thunder and rain hit.

BURGLARY CHARGED

Dennis K. Bunnell, 18, Toketee Falls, has been arrested on a burglary charge, the sheriff's office reported.

Donald S. Kelley, deputy district attorney, said Bunnell is accused of breaking into a house at Canyonville and taking \$14 from a woman's purse.

Levity Fact Rant

Nominations are being made for the top actors and plays of 1951 in Hollywood's annual Oscar Derby. Our entry for the greatest farce of the year (and this one as well) is the truce wrangle in Korea.

WHERE DEATH CAME OUT OF THE NIGHT SKY — Made shortly after the crash of a National Airlines DC-6 in the residential area of Elizabeth, N. J., wreckage is scattered in playground area of an orphanage. Plane hit a 52-family apartment house and exploded shortly after taking off from near-