

**State-Owned Pubs Get 'No' Vote In Commons**

LONDON (AP) — No, Sir. There won't be any state-owned pubs in Britain. Not while Winston Churchill's Conservatives are in office.

His Conservatives in Commons Wednesday night repealed a bill passed by the previous Labor government to set up state pubs in new towns planned to ease city congestion. The vote was 306 to 266.

Laborite G. S. Lindgren charged the Conservatives were fronting for brewers who own most of the pubs. The brewery-owned pubs serve on-

ly their brand, which, he said, prevents citizens in the new towns "from drinking their own choice of beer."

In the House members and their guests can get just about anything alcoholic they want. The House runs its own bar—a sort of form of public ownership.

**Scouts Beat Ranger To Fire Put-Out Job**

HARLAN, Ky. (AP) — Fire Ranger William Music has a lot of confidence in the youngsters of Harlan County.

He was called Monday night to put out a grass fire at nearby Coxton, where a blaze had spread out of control.

But when he arrived, Music found several volunteer firefighters had dug an earthen ring around the spreading fire, which



**JEEP: CLASS OF '52**—The famed jeep of World War II has had its face lifted—to make room for a 20 per cent more powerful engine—and has undergone other improvements that should endear it to the "new Army." More padding (a-a-ah!) has been built into its upholstery, and side-curtains seal the new jeep up tight. The twin "schnorkel" tubes, for air intake and exhaust, together with water-proofed engine and electrical system, enable some models to run completely submerged in salt or fresh water.

burned itself out at the edge of the ring.

When the Fire Ranger returned to his truck, he found this note on a slip of paper under the windshield wiper:

"Too late, Troop 16, Boy Scouts of America. Virgil Sawyer, Scoutmaster."

**McDonald Confirmed As RFC Chairman**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Harry A. McDonald takes over Tuesday as boss of the scandal-marked Reconstruction Finance Corporation with a warning to influence peddlers to "stay away."

Senator Douglas (D-Ill.), calling McDonald honest but "too weak" to stand up to influence pressures, waged a futile two-hour fight in the Senate Monday to block the appointment. The roll call vote in McDonald's favor was 46 to 23.

The way was cleared for final Senate approval of his appointment when a House subcommittee looking into charges of fraud in Security and Exchange Commission activities announced it has "no credible evidence" of wrongdoing by McDonald.

McDonald was SEC chairman.

**Sex Deviates Problem Tackled In Portland**

PORTLAND (AP)—Educators, law enforcement officials and others will meet Thursday to outline a plan for protecting children from sex deviates.

A preliminary conference was held Monday in the office of Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee. Indeterminate prison sentences, employment of a psychiatrist for the Portland municipal court and establishment of out-patient clinics were some of the possible solutions discussed.

But Melvin Murphy, executive secretary of the Oregon Mental Health Association, said legislation would be almost worthless unless treatment facilities with trained personnel were provided for sex offenders.

**Riddle Couple Views Attractions On Trip Into Southern Mexico**

By MRS. ERMA C. BOYLE

The Floating Garden, Pyramid of the Sun, Palace of Fine Arts, the Cathedral and a bullfight were a few of the highlights experienced by the Darrell Merkleys on their five-week vacation trip into Southern Mexico. The Merkleys left Riddle Jan. 12, stopped at Willits, Calif., Phoenix, and Mesa, Ariz., to visit relatives. They entered Mexico by way of El Paso, Tex., and traveled south to Mexico City where they spent a week, sight-seeing. They then drove to Taxco, a silver mining center, where much of the silver is made into jewelry and silver pieces of all kind.

On their return north, they stopped at Tampico on the Gulf of Mexico to fish for yellowtails, a sporting fish weighing 35 to 50 pounds. They entered the states through Laredo and stopped at Carlsbad Caverns, N. Mex.

The Merkleys had but one minor accident. Their automobile hit a deer on the highway near Susanville, Calif., denting the right fender. The deer was apparently un-

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The final total of funds collected in this area for the polio drive amounted to \$951.02, according to Mrs. W. H. Smith, chairman.

Joyce Loper and Connie Cypert were selected at the Monday evening meeting to represent Bethel 29, Job's Daughters, at the Grand Session of Bethels to be held in Roseburg in April.

Mrs. Eugene Carpenter and daughter Marilyn, left Sunday to join Sgt. Carpenter in San Antonio, Tex., where he has been stationed for several months taking special training in preparation for his Air Force base in Maryland. Mrs. Carpenter and daughter had been visiting here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Ball. Mrs. Ball accompanied her daughter and granddaughter as far as Long Beach, Calif., where she visited a brother, Clifton Moore.

Out-of-town relatives attending the funeral services for Mrs. Noah Cornutt held Monday at the First Baptist Church were Mrs. J. R. Bean of Portland, a sister; Mrs. Paul Beauchamp, a sister, and Mr. Beauchamp of Seattle; Mrs. Evelyn Patterson, sister of Mr. Corn-

utt, from Portland; his brother, Alfred Cornutt and Mrs. Cornutt, of Eugene; Mr. Cornutt's nieces, Mrs. Floyd Arms, Mrs. R. V. Thompson and Mr. Thompson of Eugene; a nephew, Dellis Cornutt and Mrs. Cornutt of Roseburg.

Here Sunday to attend the funeral services of their mother, Mrs. Charlotte Speer, were Miss Hilda Speer of Portland; Frank Speer of Bellflower, Calif.; Raymond Speer, his wife and son, of Central Point, Ore.

Bob Bordeaux traveled to Gasquet, Calif., Sunday to look after property interests.

Jack Shurtz is confined to his home with burns suffered Sunday while working on the sprinkling system at Harbor Plywood Mill. Mr. Shurtz stepped into a pool of hot water, formed by a steam pipe, scalding both legs from the knees down.

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