

D. W. Smith Found Guilty Of Manslaughter

O&C Land Suit May Bring Douglas County \$1 Million, A. W. Lafferty Discloses

OREGON CITY — Douglas county will receive more than \$1,000,000 if the suit brought by Clackamas county against the government is successful in determining distribution of withheld funds from the sale of Oregon & California railroad converted lands timber, A. W. Lafferty of Portland disclosed Tuesday.

Accident Takes Life Of Winston Logger

Orval Ellsworth Armstrong, 35, of Winston, was killed today at 8:30 a.m. in a logging accident one mile north-east of Myrtle Creek, the Ganz Mortuary of Myrtle Creek reports.

Armstrong, an employee of Rice Lumber Company of Canyonville, was in a caterpillar unrigging a loading tree when a guy wire was knocked loose from a stump. The loading tree fell across the back of the caterpillar, striking Armstrong from the rear.

He died instantly from multiple fractures of the skull.

Deputy Coroner Robert A. Ganz investigated.

Georgia-Pacific Plywood Firm Bids For Merger

SEATTLE — The Georgia-Pacific Plywood Co., one of the largest plywood producers in the United States, announced late Wednesday it has proposed a merger with Harbor Plywood Corp., Aberdeen, Wash.

The announcement was made through the Seattle office of Blyth and Co., Inc., Pacific Coast investment banking firm.

The proposal, made to Martin N. Deggeger, Harbor Plywood president, called for an exchange of one share of Harbor Plywood common stock for one-half share of Georgia-Pacific common plus \$5 cash.

On the basis of Wednesday's market close, Harbor Plywood stockholders would receive approximately \$16 a share. The stock is currently quoted at around \$12.50.

Deggeger declined comment on whether he would submit the proposal to Harbor Plywood directors for consideration.

The Aberdeen firm has more than a billion board feet of timber reserve in the Lewis River area of Southwest Washington. This reserve was considered in financial circles here as the primary objective of Georgia-Pacific in proposing the merger.

Georgia-Pacific, with headquarters in Atlanta, has a number of plants in Washington and Oregon.

10-DAY SENTENCE GIVEN

Judge Ira B. Riddle today sentenced William Mathew Jones, Roseburg Hotel, to 10 days in jail in lieu of \$20 bail on a charge of drunkenness, according to Municipal Court records.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

An unarmed Swedish military plane is shot down in the Baltic by two Russian MIG fighters. The plane that was shot down by the Russians was searching for another Swedish plane that MAY have been shot down by the Russians.

Troublesome (but significant) thought: The Russians wouldn't have done it if they had FEARED Swedish retaliation.

Grim conclusion: The only way to handle bullies (international or other kinds) is to be STRONG ENOUGH TO HANDLE THEM when they go on the loose.

More of the same from Korea: The key issue blocking the truce negotiations at Munsan is the U.N. stand that no prisoners shall be FORCIBLY repatriated (that is to say, sent back to the commies to be shot before a wall or sent to a slave labor camp.) Of the 169,000 POWs we hold, only 70,000 have expressed willingness to return to the reds. Of the remaining 99,000, many say the will commit suicide rather than go back.

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The Weather

Sunny and cooler today and Friday. Cloudy and cooler Thursday.
Highest temp. for any June 106
Lowest temp. for any June 35
Highest temp. last 24 hours 80
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 48
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Precip. from June 1 .88
Precip. from June 1 35.86
Excess 3.78
Sunset today, 8:56 p.m. DST
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:32 a.m. DST

Federal Deficit Will Fall Below Truman's Figure

WASHINGTON — The government's going to wind up its year two to three billion dollars better off than it expected. But it still will be deep in the red.

Government experts, speaking privately, said Thursday the deficit—the amount by which the government overspent its income—is likely to be less than \$1.4 billion when the fiscal year ends June 30. It could be as low as \$1.3 billion.

President Truman, in his budget message last January, figured the government would go in the hole by \$2,200,000,000.

The President estimated total spending would jump 59 per cent above last year due to a huge expansion in rearming the U. S. and friendly foreign countries. But the military expansion hasn't taken place on that scale.

Officials now say spending will fall at least 3 1/2 billion, and possibly more than four billion, below Truman's \$70,900,000,000 spending estimate.

Taxes are up—as who doesn't know?—but they look like falling some 1 1/2 billion dollars short of the \$62,700,000,000 Truman budgeted.

Bicycle Parade Entries Accepted Until Friday

Entries for the annual bicycle safety parade, to be held Friday, June 20, will be accepted until noon Friday, according to Montgomery Ward & Co. Nearly 100 entries have been received so far.

The parade will start from the Douglas County Courthouse grounds at 12:30 and proceed down Jackson St. to the Indian Theater. Merchandise awards will be presented for the best decorated bicycles. Judges will include Mayor Al Flegel, Al Parr and Mrs. Iris Helliwell.

Free movie passes will be given to each contestant. Registrants should sign up at the sporting goods department at Ward's store.

Communist Assaults Repulsed By Allies

SEOUL, Korea — United Nations forces hurled back Communist assaults in East-Central Korea Thursday and killed more than one-fourth of the attacking battalion.

U. S. Eighth Army headquarters estimated 200 Red soldiers were killed as air-supported Allied troops successfully defended their forward position southeast of Kumsong.

For the second successive day Red guns were silent near the Allies' newly won T-shaped hill mass west of Chonwon on the Western Front. U. S. Shooting Stars made eight air strikes on Reds still dug in on the rocky ridge.

Dillard, Glendale Retain School Board Members

Paul B. Hult, Dillard, and John Daniels, Glendale, have been re-elected to local school boards in the Monday school elections, the County School Superintendent's office announced today.

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Copco Trucker Killed Near Toketee

Roy H. Wells Dies As Tree Hits Vehicle

CITY VOTES TOMORROW

Tax Limit Excess, Right To Create Sewer Charge Questions To Be Decided

Two measures will be on the ballot in the special Roseburg city election Friday. Voting will take place between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., standard time (9 a.m. and 9 p.m., DST) at the Courthouse, Junior High School, Roseburg Hotel and City Hall for Wards 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively.



PLEADS GUILTY — Johan Fritiof Enbom (above), pleads guilty in Stockholm to charges of betraying Sweden's northern defense secrets to Russia. Six others, including his girl friend and his brother, are involved in the charges that military and industrial information was turned over to the Soviets for cash. Enbom, ring-leader of the seven accused spies, said he is on Russia's side in the war he is sure will come. (AP Wirephoto)

The first measure will be, "shall a special tax levy in the sum of \$133,017.32 over and above the six percent constitutional limitation be made by the City of Roseburg for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1952." The levy, the ballot states, is "made necessary by essential repairs to streets, additional employee and operating expenses, caused by the general increase in costs and the growth of the city."

The second measure is a charter amendment which would authorize the city to levy a user's sewer charge for replacements, repairs and expansion of the sewage disposal system.

It would authorize the council to "acquire, own, equip, operate and maintain sewage disposal plants and other facilities necessary for a complete sewer system and to maintain, extend and reconstruct existing sewerage facilities."

It would empower the city to establish rates and charges for use of such facilities and to establish rates and charges for use of such facilities and to establish a sinking fund from the receipts for such purposes.

Low Rate Considered
The council has indicated the rate would probably be 50 to 75 cents monthly, although the exact determination has not been made.

The special election on the city budget excess is made necessary because the tax base is only \$15, \$17.66, and estimated revenues from other sources are inadequate to keep the city expenditures within the six percent limitation. The total budget, which provides for increased salaries in every department, some additional employees, and purchase of needed equipment, is \$457,410. The total to be raised by taxation, on an estimated 12 mill levy, would be \$235,455.

Jersey Cattle Club Raps
New Oregon Milk Order

PORTLAND — New milk control orders which lower the butterfat content of milk and alter the basis for producer quotas were protested Wednesday by the Oregon Jersey Cattle Club.

The order will be damaging to high test breeds such as the Jersey, Marlin Fox of Molalla, club president, and John Gale of Canby, milk committee chairman, said.

They proposed that a price schedule be based on nutritional value and not on the butterfat content of a bottle of milk.

The action was prompted by revised milk control orders issued this week for Baker, Harney and Malheur Counties.

Broncs, Bulls, Steers, Calves Arrive For Rodeo Program

Some of the meanest and toughest bucking broncs and wild Brahmas steers in the world were unloaded at the Fairgrounds today.

They will test the skill of two dozen champion cowboys at the rodeo Saturday and Sunday.

Eleven Brahmas, each one with a long record of rodeo performances, were penned in behind the chutes.

The saddle broncs and bareback horses include several hard-riding animals on which championships have been won by cowboys who could stick to them.

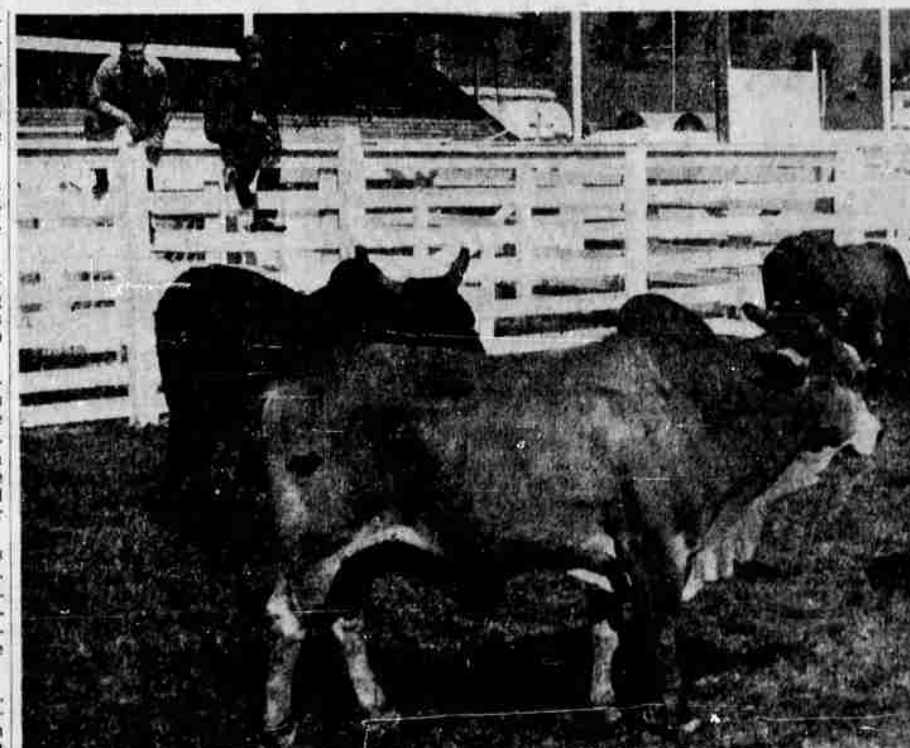
One of the oddest bunch of animals brought here by Christensen Bros. ranch for the rodeo is the lightning fast bulldogging steers.

Most of these are rangy Florida swamp cattle and several still have the plaster-of-paris casts around their horns to shape just right for bulldogging.

Wiry, fast Black Angus calves were brought in for the calf roping.

Other events of the eighth annual Douglas County Sheriff's Posse rodeo include the lamb scramble Saturday for 4-H girls and the calf scramble for 4-H boys.

There will also be stake races, team roping and saddle horse races. Mounted riding groups from throughout the area will take part in the grand entry parade each performance.



WILD BRAHMA BULLS due to perform here Saturday and Sunday in the rodeo are inspected by Dick De Bernardi (left) and Bruce Carter of the Douglas County Sheriff's Posse after the animals were unloaded today at the Fairgrounds. These bulls, each a veteran rodeo performer, will test the skill of the champion cowboys who have arrived here for the two-day Western celebration. (Paul Jenkins photo)



Accused Man Calm When Verdict Given

Charge Carries Prison Term Up To 15 Years; Sentence Set Friday

A Circuit Court jury late Wednesday found Daniel Webster Smith guilty of voluntary manslaughter in the fatal shooting of John H. Jenkins, a Camas Valley logger, May 12.

The jury deliberated some two hours before returning its verdict which carries a penalty of from one to 15 years in the Oregon State Penitentiary.

Judge Carl E. Wimberly set Friday at 1:30 p.m. as the time for sentencing.

The verdict by the jury of six men and six women ended the three-day trial in which Smith was accused of shooting 37-year-old John Henry Jenkins with a shotgun.

The white-haired defendant, who will be 71 next Sept. 3, appeared calm as Judge Wimberly read the verdict about 4:35 Wednesday afternoon.

Earlier that afternoon Judge Wimberly instructed the jury that it could return one of five possible verdicts. They were first degree murder, first degree murder with recommendation for life imprisonment, second degree murder, manslaughter and acquittal.

He ruled out a motion by Defense Attorney Paul E. Geddes to throw out the first degree murder charge and have the jury consider only second degree or lesser charges.

Wednesday morning closing arguments were presented by State's attorneys Robert M. Stults and Donald S. Kelley and Defense Attorney Geddes.

Smith posed for photographs Wednesday noon but said he was "too tired to smile."

The defendant had lived in Camas Valley all his 70 years, he said, and had been a farmer at his place on upper Camas Road for the past 32 years. He had also done some work in the woods.

He lived alone most of the time, he said, having never been married.

He sat through the three days of trial calmly. His only show of emotion was pounding the arm rest of his chair with his left fist. He said he had hurt his right arm in an accident early this year in which he had fallen off a log. He had been in a hospital for 14 days following the accident, he explained.

Hard of hearing, he apparently was unable to understand much of what took place during the trial. Occasionally he turned in his chair to glance at the spectators.

The tragedy climaxed a drinking bout that ended in the quarrel in front of Smith's home, testimony at the trial brought out.

Woman Beater Sentenced Ahead Of Murder Case

THE DALLES — A 15-year prison sentence was meted Wednesday to Alfred William Karnes, 23, who police say has confessed the slaying of a Salem woman.

Karnes pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary and assaulting with a hammer Mrs. Ben Callaway here June 10, three days after Mrs. Susan Litchfield, 81, was hacked to death in the woodshed of her Salem home.

Circuit Judge Malcolm W. Wilkinson sentenced Karnes, an Astoria farm worker, to the maximum prison term.

District Attorney E. O. Stadler Jr. said in Salem he would file a first degree murder charge against Karnes in Mrs. Litchfield's death.

Salem Police Chief Clyde Warren said Karnes signed a confession that he killed Mrs. Litchfield June 7 and robbed her of \$30.

Smooth-Acting 'Slicker' Lifts \$2,400 From Bank

NEW YORK — "I think that man stole some money," one bank teller told another Wednesday at the midtown Lexington Avenue branch of the Manufacturers Trust Company.

"Oh, you're crazy," the co-worker replied.

Their conversation was about a man in a green shirt who strolled away from a cage with a wad of bills. The cage 13 teller was out to lunch, as were tellers occupying cages on either side.

The suspicious employee, Miss Elsie Hawkins, 21, called a bank official.

Missing from cage 13 was \$2,400 in \$10 bills. The man had casually opened the bronze cage grille, reached in, helped himself and sauntered out.

Bank employees raced to the street in pursuit, but the thief had disappeared.

Boat Operating Fee At Winchester Bay Draws Complaint

Protests that a 15 percent operating and service fee on Winchester Bay charter craft were "unfair and excessive" have been voiced by officers of the Sport Boat Owners, Operators and Associates of Reedsport.

County Parks Supervisor Charles S. Collins said the group had delivered a petition of protest to the County Court, Parks Board and to the Port of Umpqua Commission.

It was signed by L. L. Wells, vice chairman, and George Lemon, secretary.

The operating and service fee is proposed by the groups for charter craft using the new Winchester Bay facilities to pay for the costs of the construction.

The petition states in part that the group deems "the proposed charges as excessive, unfair and prohibitive to our continued operation."

In its place, the group suggested a five percent of gross revenue fee or a flat rate of 25 cents per person on each charter trip.

The matter was taken up at a Parks Board meeting later and a letter was sent to the association which says:

"After due deliberation, it was decided that no adjustment of published rate of operating fees could be recommended at this time."

"The 15 percent fee was set up only after careful study of the situation and the fact that this project could only be justified as self-liquidating."

"If we felt that your assertions were correct that the 15 percent fee was excessive, it would then be necessary to withdraw our recommendation and support of the project as a whole."

Three Truman Reorganization Plans Given K.O.

WASHINGTON — Three of President Truman's government reorganization plans are dead in the wake of a Senate vote keeping congressional control over 21,582 federal jobs.

With many who normally support administration policies backing the President, the Senate Wednesday defeated in one-to-three order his proposals to eliminate Senate confirmation of city postmasters, U. S. marshals and customs collectors.

This was a sharp rebuff to Truman. But at a news conference Thursday the President only commented mildly that the Senate should have let the plans go through.

The program would have gone into effect automatically Friday midnight if neither the House nor the Senate had acted. It called for filling the jobs by department heads through civil service procedure.

Opponents argued that the three plans would merely transfer the politics of appointments from members of Congress to the administration in power.

They said department heads, especially the postmaster general, would get a chance to build a powerful political machine.

Backers of the program said it would wipe out the last big segment of the political spoils system.

Stork Beats Automobile In Dash For Hospital

SALEM — A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bassett of Mill City Wednesday in the automobile in which they were speeding to the hospital.

Bassett delivered the child after stopping the car at the Astoria school, 9 miles east of here. The 7 pound, 3 ounce girl and the mother were then driven to the Salem Memorial Hospital.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

If you're 'of' and 'for' Roseburg, put the 'get' in budget at tomorrow's election. Pungle pleasantly for progress.