

Civil Service Quashes NPA's Hiring Right

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Civil Service Commission Tuesday took away from the National Production Authority (NPA) the right to hire its own workers because of irregularities in selecting employees last year.

It called for "corrective action"—meaning dismissal or new assignments—for possibly more than 100 NPA employees. In some cases, the commission said, veterans' preference in hiring was ignored.

The commission ruled that all future NPA hiring must be referred for prior approval to the Department of Commerce, the parent organization of the emergency production agency.

The Antarctic continent is almost as large as South America.

Dead Airman's Last Note Says 'I Am Sorry'

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — Two notes, one bearing the words, "I am sorry, Colonel" were found near the body of a Sacramento, Calif., Air Force captain who apparently lived for seven days beside the wreckage of his crashed plane in the Yukon Valley.

Capt. Harvey Tilton, 35, was one of five men aboard the C-47 transport plane when it crashed Jan. 12. The bodies of the four other airmen were found huddled in a crude parachute shelter about a mile from the plane.

Tenth Air Rescue Squadron ground crewmen theorized that Tilton was unable to join the others after he reached the spot.



FINAL ADJUSTMENTS—It's those little adjustments that spell success or failure in an Applebox racer. Above, seven-year-old Ralph Young, second place winner in last year's derby, makes adjustments in this year's racer while brother Charles, 11, looks on. Derby will be held on Winchester Street Saturday. (Staff Picture)

Youth Charged With Matricide

ASTORIA (AP) — A warrant charging Ward Wenger, 20, with the first-degree murder of his mother, Mrs. Marie Wenger, 47, was issued in justice court here Tuesday.

The boy, adopted at the age of 3 by Mrs. Wenger, has been missing since her body was found in her home last Friday. She had been beaten to death with a hammer.

Sheriff Paul Kearney said the boy's real mother turned up here and identified herself as Mrs. Helen Reinertsen, Newport, Ore. She was a foster sister of Mrs. Wenger's husband, who died eight

GOLD BULLION SEIZED

HONG KONG (AP) — About \$170,000 in gold bullion was seized here Tuesday night aboard the Dutch steamer Tjiluwah. It was concealed in engine parts. No arrests were made.

The ship was to sail for Indonesia Wednesday.

years ago, the sheriff said. Mrs. Reinertsen said she had not seen the boy in years, but came here in hopes she could help in locating him, Kearney said. No trace has been found of Ward or Mrs. Wenger's late-model automobile, which he was seen driving the day Mrs. Wenger was killed. Funeral services for the slain women will be held here at 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Proposal To Omit Officials' Names From Letterheads Leads To Spat

SALEM (AP) — Harry S. Dorman, head of the State Department of Finance and Administration, proposed Tuesday that the names of officials be omitted from department letterheads. The reaction from officials was violent.

Secretary of State Earl Newby and State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson first vetoed Dorman's proposal.

They then proposed that Dorman's department be eliminated. They said in a meeting of the Board of Control that the department is wasting money.

The third member, Gov. Douglas McKay, under whom the new department is administered, defended it.

Newby and Pearson said the department, created by the 1951 legislature, was wasting lots of money because of its policies in buying supplies. Purchasing used to be done by the Board of Control.

Pearson said the department is "the biggest waste of money in the history of our state." Newby agreed. Dorman said he would prove to

the next legislature that his department is saving money.

Newby and Pearson have opposed creation of the department since it first was proposed by the state's Little Hoover Commission to reorganize the state government.

Newby and Pearson said Dorman's proposal on letter heads wouldn't save very much money. But Gov. McKay said the taxpayers' money can be saved only by cutting off a few pennies here, and a few dollars there.

Newby said that omitting the officials names from letterheads "would be a big step toward regimentation."

A \$29,370 contract for extending the state capitol mall one block north was awarded by the board to Warren Northwest, Portland.

November Vote Size Worrying Political Heads

CHICAGO (NEA) — It may be a bit early, but politicians are already wondering about the size of the vote this November 4.

Democratic theory has been that the bigger the vote, the better the chance of a Democratic majority. Senator Taft disputes this. His theory is that voters stay home when there is no choice between candidates and party platforms.

U. S. Census Bureau estimates there will be about 97,500,000 eligible voters this year. This is an increase of six million over 1948. There will be about 9,500,000 new voters. But deaths in the four years will have removed 3,500,000 old voters.

Percentage of eligible voters actually casting their ballots in Presidential elections has been dropping steadily since 1900. Fifty-three percent of the 18 million eligibles voted that year. It dropped to 49 percent in 1920 when women voted for the first time.

This percentage rose to 62 in 1940, when 50,000,000 out of the 80,000,000 eligibles voted. This was the year when the third term for Franklin D. Roosevelt was the big issue. This tends to prove that the theory that more people vote when there is a sharp issue. But Roosevelt won by 55 percent of the votes cast.

The percentage of eligible voters actually voting has been declining since 1940. It was 56 percent in 1944 and 53 in 1948.

Of this year's 97,500,000 voters, half are in nine states—Illinois, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, California, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Texas. They contain 237, or 57 percent of the 531 electoral votes. A win in those nine states can elect a President, regardless of what the other 39 states think about it.

Eva Peron In Serious Condition—Cancer?

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — The condition of Eva Peron, wife of Argentina's president, remained unchanged during the last 24 hours, a bulletin from the undersecretary of information said Monday. A similar report was issued Friday.

The official report Thursday said her condition was "satisfactory".

A South American source in Rome said an Argentine physician had arrived in Italy to consult a Viennese cancer specialist about Mrs. Peron's case. There was no confirmation of the report.

U. S. CAR BOMBED

TOKYO (AP) — Kyodo News Agency said Communists at Kobe hurled a firebomb at an American car and destroyed it Tuesday night. A firebomb missed another American car in a Tokyo suburb.

Both incidents came during the Japan Communist party's observance of its 30th anniversary.

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