

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

By Paul Jenkins



LORRAINE LONG smiles somewhat dizzily at City Police Sergeant Murdock, who remains discreetly hidden from view back of a counter at police headquarters; but it was the photographer, with his eternal "do this, do that, turn this way, look that," who was responsible for all the dizziness. It's enough to make anyone dizzy and usually does. Lorraine has been clerk in the police office and municipal courtroom since last May, and a great many erring citizens have made her acquaintance, this part of their appearance there having been a pleasure to them, at any rate. Lorraine herself has been convicted, in her case of matrimonial intentions; and will be sentenced some time this summer - not by a judge, however, but by a minister.

Poultry, Eggs, Soaps, Gas Prices Among Decontrols

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower's steady return to a free-market economy pried the price lids off more thousands of items today and tabbed some 2,000 price control workers for dismissal.

'Panty Thief' Arrest Reported

A 14-year-old Roseburg youth who police identified as Roseburg's "panty thief" was apprehended early this morning and referred to juvenile authorities.

Police Chief Stan O. Olson said the youth admitted the theft of ladies' undergarments and led officers to a box where some 40 articles of women's clothing were recovered.

Officers apprehended the youth about 7:30 a.m. today on a tip from a local citizen. He had two pairs of ladies' daily undergarments in his pocket, officers said.

Olson said four complaints of theft of ladies' things from clotheslines were received within the last three weeks. About eight have been received since the first of the year, police said.

Most of the thefts occurred in the early morning hours, police said.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

These words are written on the morning of February 13, Lincoln's birthday. On that date, I can't help being impressed by these paragraphs in the news of yesterday:

"The Eisenhower administration evidently has accepted politely a decision by Republicans on the house ways and means committee to vote for early action to reduce income taxes."

"Informed sources said today that treasury officials made it clear to members of the ways and means committee, at a private dinner meeting last night, that they will neither support nor oppose a tax-cutting drive led by Representative Reed of New York."

"Administration spokesmen are said to have accepted the committee members' decision as 'one of the facts of life.' The meeting is said to have been pleasant and harmonious."

Why should that incident remind one of President Lincoln?

Well, as everyone who has read his history remembers, General

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The Weather

Fair except for fog Saturday morning and considerable high clouds in afternoons today and Saturday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours	52
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	33
Highest temp. for any Feb.	79
Lowest temp. for any Feb.	3
Precip. last 24 hours	0
Precip. from Feb. 1	2.9
Precip. from Sept. 1	24.83
Excess from Sept. 1	4.94
Sunrise today, 5:41 p.m.	
Sunset tomorrow, 7:13 a.m.	

Dulles Hopeful EDC Formation Will Be Success

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Secretary Benson Under Fire By Farm Group

Attitude Is Puzzle To Officials

Claim Is Made That Nothing Done To Halt Fall Of Farm Prices

WASHINGTON (AP)—Democratic senators turned a fresh barrage of criticism on Secretary of Agriculture Benson Friday. Sen. Eastland (D-Miss.) said farmers had not voted for a crusade to "pull the rug" from under them.

Hardly was the afternoon Senate session underway before Eastland lit into a speech Benson made in St. Paul, Wednesday night outlining the new administration's policies. It already had come under attack from other members of Congress.

Benson said that government price supports should be used as insurance against disaster and not to encourage uneconomic production. He, however, pledged to carry out price guarantees provided by law.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Farm state congressmen fired harsh words today at the first official speech of Secretary of Agriculture Benson, also on the receiving end of criticism about falling farm prices.

Eisenhower administration farm officials are puzzled. Further, they

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Explosion Kills 12 Workers At Powder Company

RICHMOND, Calif. (AP)—A flicker of flame and a wisp of smoke erupted from an explosive mixing "dope house" at the Hercules Powder Company in nearby Pinole yesterday.

As workers rushed to fight the fire, an explosion reduced the brick building to rubble.

Twelve men were torn to bits. Bodies and parts of bodies were hurled as far as 250 feet.

The explosion threw bricks from the building 700 feet. It shook four counties. It even got a reaction on the University of California seismograph at Berkeley, 12 miles to the south. San Francisco, 20 air-line miles away, was jolted.

An employee who declined to give his name said the "dope houses" were considered relatively safe from explosion. He said three had burned in the past four years without exploding.

Only two men were in the 25 by 50 foot brick building which was used for mixing "dope"—liquid ingredients of dynamite. They presumably touched off the plant fire while which brought workers running. Then came the blast which "almost knocked our heads off," said workers farthest from the scene.

Human Torch Tells Plight In Ship Fire

YOKOHAMA, Japan (AP)—Survivors of four mysterious explosions at sea that blasted sheets of flame through the American freighter President Pierce landed here today with tales of heroism, panic and a sailor's ordeal by fire and icy waves.

Fire still smoldered in one hold of the Pierce as an investigation was started. Investigators said there was no suspicion of sabotage.

One of the three seriously injured crewmen, Seaman Earlwyn Jooey of New London, Conn., and Del Mar, Calif., said he was knocked unconscious by one blast and came to on the deck, his clothes blazing.

A human torch, he ran to the side and dove into the icy Pacific. He watched in horror as the Pierce moved slowly away and almost out of sight.

Then it turned around and started back. Jooey, chilled to the bone and almost despairing of his life, thrashed the water wildly to attract attention.

He was plucked out of the sea and returned to the still-blazing ship after nearly two agonizing hours in the salt water.

Torrey Named To Head Sutherland Committee

O. L. Torrey was selected this week to head the five-member Sutherland Citizens Committee, an advisory group to the City Council.

According to the Sutherland Sun, two members of the Monday meeting of the Council. They are Orville Smith and John Buchanan.

Two more members will be named soon.

Magazine Prints Article On Roseburg Death Row

The lead article in the February issue of the Kiwanis magazine carries a hard-hitting article written by Reporter Ken Metzler of the News-Review about last year's highway-death crusade in Douglas County.

Called "The Shock Treatment Pays Off," the article relates a blow-by-blow description of the actions of the Douglas County Traffic Safety Committee to slow down the rate of traffic deaths in the county.

Complete with pictures, the article tells the story of a campaign with such gimmicks as "Death Row," which may soon be used elsewhere to pare the staggering highway death figures in the U. S.

Three Treated For Cuts At Community Hospital

Three local residents were treated for cuts at Community Hospital Thursday afternoon.

James Walters, 40, Rt. 1, Box 935, suffered a cut left knee while at work as a scaler for Roseburg Lumber.

Elmer Marsh, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odis Marsh, Rt. 1, Box 1254, suffered a head cut when she fell while playing at Roseburg Junior Academy.

Two-year-old Ronald R. Swift, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Swift of Brockway, was treated for a lacerated left hand.

Riverside Cubs Will Choose Family Of Year

Cubs of Riverside Pack 408 will choose the "Family of the Year" at their annual Blue and Gold Banquet at Edenbower School Friday, Feb. 27 at 8:30 p.m.

The "Family of the Year" is selected for its service to the Pack.

Oakland School Bond Issue Is Set

Voters in the Oakland School District will vote Saturday on a \$335,000 bond issue for school improvements.

Polls will be open from 2 to 8 p.m. The bonds would finance construction of a new six-room elementary school north of the high school. The building would include a multi-purpose room.

Also included in the bond program is construction of a shop building adjacent to the present high school and completion of the existing physical education room to make it into a gymnasium.

The building units would be of pumice blocks with a brick veneer, except the gym, which would be built of reinforced concrete, the Oakland District Board said.

Enrollment increasing

In proposing the bond issue, the school directors declared the bond election is necessary because "enrollment continues to increase in the elementary field and the elementary room is expected to be overloaded 50 or more students in September. School population in District 1 (Oakland) has increased from 280 in 1945 to 773 in 1952."

"The increase that has been coming up through the lower grades for the last seven years is now reaching the high school. Class rooms are needed both in the high school and the elementary grades."

Grounds crowded

The directors, Chairman Lyle Stuewe, Kenneth Dorman, Allen Es-

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Store At Riddle Is Broken Into

The Riddle General Store was broken into Thursday night and \$500 in cash and merchandise removed. Erma Best, News-Review Riddle correspondent, reported today.

Stolen was \$50 in cash two .22 calibre pistols, a 30.06 rifle with scope and ammunition, according to C. E. Diekie, store owner.

A panel on the back door had been sawed, Mrs. Best said. Officers were investigating this morning.

This was the second break-in at Riddle within five days. Sunday night a person or persons took the hinges off the Copeland Lumber Yard office and ransacked the cash register. They found no money, however.

Myrtle Creek To Get New \$11,327 Fire Truck

Myrtle Creek will have a new \$11,327 fire truck, city council members decided this week.

The truck will contain a portable pumping unit which can be used to fight fires in rural districts.

LIFE MEMBER

NEW YORK (AP)—President Eisenhower has been elected an honorary life member of the National Republican Club of New York.

Only one other man ever has been so honored. He is former President Herbert Hoover.

Bill Would Block Morse From Switch

Measure Proposed Requiring Re-election From Same Party

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.

SALEM (AP)—A move to block U. S. Sen. Wayne L. Morse from running for re-election as an Independent or a Democrat in 1954 was started in the Oregon Legislature Friday.

State Sen. John F. Hounsell, Hood River Republican, introduced a bill to prevent office holders from switching parties when they seek re-election.

Twenty-five of the 60 state representatives and nine of the 30 senators joined Hounsell as co-sponsors of the bill.

It is aimed solely at Sen. Morse, who left the Republican Party to become an Independent after he supported Democratic Adlai Stevenson for President.

The Oregon Journal quoted Morse as saying in Washington, D. C., that the move is "amusing," and that the "overwhelming majority" of the people of Oregon would resent it.

"It demonstrates clearly that the Republican-controlled Oregon Legislature fears the will of the voters. It is obviously an attempt to prevent by law my running for the Senate in 1954 as an Independent."

"The people will resist such cheap politics being practiced by the sponsors," the newspaper quoted Morse.

The bill would compel Morse, if he wants to run for re-election, to run as a Republican.

Better Chance of Winning

GOP leaders think they have a better chance of beating Morse in a Republican primary, but that he

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News-Review Editorial Reprinted in Magazine

The February issue of the National Rifleman has reprinted an editorial by Editor Charles V. Stanton of the Roseburg News-Review.

The editorial, dated Dec. 11, is an issue of the News-Review advocates training of youngsters in the use of firearms.

In commenting on the editorial, Editor-in-Chief Merrill A. Edson of the magazine says:

"Nothing could be truer than the editorial statement reprinted in this issue of The Rifleman which appeared originally in the Roseburg, Oregon, News-Review. This says, in effect, that marksmanship on the part of the citizenry has been essential to the development of our great nation and that if we are to continue to force our young men into military service, they should have advance training in the use of firearms."

"There should be more editorials like this."

Drain C Of C Appoints N. Douglas Fair Group

A "bigger and better" North Douglas Fair will be the aim of a three-man fair committee appointed at a Drain Chamber of Commerce meeting this week.

Appointed were Speed Holmes, Chester Rydell and Jerry Whipple.

Dextran May Be Substitute For Plasma, Tests Reveal

By FRANK CAREY
AP Science Reporter

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army today authorized its doctors to test a sugar substance called "Dextran" as a substitute for blood plasma, but urged that public blood donations continue undiminished.

Col. John R. Wood, Army chief medical researcher, told The Associated Press the tests authorized by the surgeon general will be carried out in the Far East, Europe and the United States.

The idea is to see if Dextran is safer and cheaper than blood plasma in treating shock resulting from war wounds, burns or injury and in aiding patients undergoing surgical operations.

These are principal uses of blood plasma which, however, sometimes can cause a liver disease known as "serum hepatitis." Dextran, Army doctors said, is free of that hazard and costs \$5.50 a pint compared with \$27 for blood plasma.

Wood said the tests are optional—doctors can use their own judgment about making the substitution. He said the tests will end

Alternatives Considered To Be Weak

'Concrete Evidence' From Participants Is Desired, However

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles says "there is a good chance" for formation of a European Defense Community but he hopes that "concrete evidence" of progress will be forthcoming promptly.

Dulles gave that report of his impressions of a flying trip to European capitals, from which he returned Monday in a radio and television broadcast to the nation last night.

He cautioned that the alternatives to formation of a European Defense Community are considered by President Eisenhower to be weak, and he said the security of Europe itself and in some degree the security of the United States against the power of Russia depend upon successful accomplishment of the undertaking.

Reaffirmation Lacking

Six European Nations—Italy, France, West Germany, The Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg—signed a treaty to create the EDC last May. Dulles said it was then expected this treaty and related arrangements for tying it to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization would be ratified and made operative in six months. Actually, he noted, months have passed and ratification is still lacking.

This has been "disconcerting" to the U. S., Dulles said, because American security plans are based

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Heart Sale Aid For Fund Drive

Roseburg High School students will be ranging the streets Saturday to launch the National Heart Fund drive in Roseburg with the sale of small plastic hearts.

Beside the importance of the sale in relation to the Heart Fund, the hearts will carry a lighter significance for Valentine's Day. The proceeds from the fund itself will go toward the fight against heart disease, which is the leading cause of disability and death in the nation.

It will provide for national and local programs of research, education and community service designed to protect healthy hearts and bring the benefits of the latest advances in research to heart patients everywhere, according to Douglas County Chairman Mickey Hard.

The national quota this year is \$10 million dollars.

Missionary Rally Will Be Held Monday Night

Another missionary rally is scheduled Monday at 7:45 p.m. in the Sutherland Legion Hall.

Rev. and Mrs. Archie Mitchell, who recently returned from French Indo-China, will direct the rally under the sponsorship of the Christian and Millitary Alliance.

With their background from the Communist booted in Indo-China, the two will discuss Red activity and its hindrance to gospel work. The service is open to all.

Not Enough Puppies Ad Gets Good Response

W. F. Wilson of Rt. 3, Box 715, just didn't have enough puppies to give away after placing a 60-cent want ad in the News-Review.

He had five puppies to give away. Not only did he get rid of the pups in the first half day after the ad came out, but he continued getting calls three days afterward.

ARMY MAN RETURNING

Cpl. Kenneth A. Luderman of Rt. 4, Roseburg, is due in Seattle Saturday aboard the transport James O'Hara from the Far East.



HEART FUND HELPERS — Pictured above are women of the Tau Eta Eta sorority who are directing the various committees conducting the Heart Fund Drive now in progress in Roseburg. From left, they are: Advisor Mrs. Morgan Sanders. President Mrs. Floyd Rowdon. Mrs. Sixten Lindberg. Mrs. Ed Thiss and Mrs. Earl Wiley Jr. Other officers in the Heart Drive this month are President Mickey Hard, Treasurer Harold Schmeer and Publicity Chairman Marjane Hardin.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Liquor-by-the-glass habit may produce many a tumbler.