

50 Highway Department Workers To Be Laid Off

SALEM — Approximately 50 maintenance and shop workers are to be laid off by the State Highway Department June 30, K. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, announced Monday.

Completion of a portion of the five-year highway construction program was given as the reason for the reduction.

Labor Federation Keeps Vote Score On Congressmen

WASHINGTON — A new scoreboard released by the American Federation of Labor's political league shows how Pacific Northwest members of Congress were divided on issues considered by the union to be significant to labor.

The league said 15 senators — including Jackson of Washington, a Democrat — voted consistently "right" on the issues used in the study.

Sen. Welker (R-Ida) was listed among 17 senators whom the AFL said consistently voted "wrong."

The league used congressional votes during the past seven years on which to test Congress members. Only two votes in the Senate so far this year and five in the House were used.

Among the representatives whom the study showed with no "right" votes were the Oregon Republicans, Coon and Ellsworth.

A summary of other Pacific Northwest members of Congress showed (with the "right" total being the first figure given):

Ex-President Truman Undergoes Operation
KANSAS CITY — Former President Harry S. Truman, reported in satisfactory condition today after an emergency operation, probably will be able to leave the hospital in 10 days.

His appendix and gall bladder were removed Sunday.

The 70-year-old ex-President told his doctor he considered himself just another patient at Research Hospital and didn't want any fuss made in his behalf.

Crusader Murder Probe Continues

PHENIX CITY, Ala. — Officers announced Monday that another man was picked up Sunday and is being held for questioning in the A. L. Patterson murder investigation. Sheriff Ralph Mathes of Russell County withheld the man's name.

The sheriff declined for the time being to give any information, explaining it might hinder his investigation. Nine or 10 have been questioned since the anti-vice crusading Democratic nominee for Alabama attorney general was shot to death in his parked car in downtown Phenix City Friday night.

A former FBI agent was assigned to help with the investigation while grieving relatives prepared for Patterson's funeral.

National Guardsmen and reinforced squads of highway patrolmen still patrolled the curiously quiet streets of this once roaring gambling town.

Oregon Log Brand History Planned by OSC Forester

A history of Oregon log brands and the stories behind some of the earliest, unusual marks are being written by an Oregon State College forester.

Warren R. Randall, assistant professor of forest management, is starting with the more than 500 brands filed with and compiled by the public utility commissioner since the state brand registration act of 1943.

Many of them are plain combinations of company letters and numbers with some characters or symbols.

But the big job ahead is tracing the old-time brands that had passed from the scene before the registration law. Some of these brands had unique characters and shapes — trees, birds, faces and figures — that were in keeping with the individualistic nature of the pioneer loggers.

For information on these, Randall is asking help from early day foresters and others who remember background information on the marks.

Log brands have been a part of Oregon's forest history from the beginning, Randall explained. Like the cattle brand, they are necessary to maintain order and ownership.

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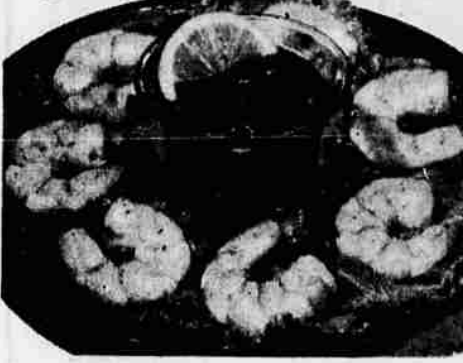
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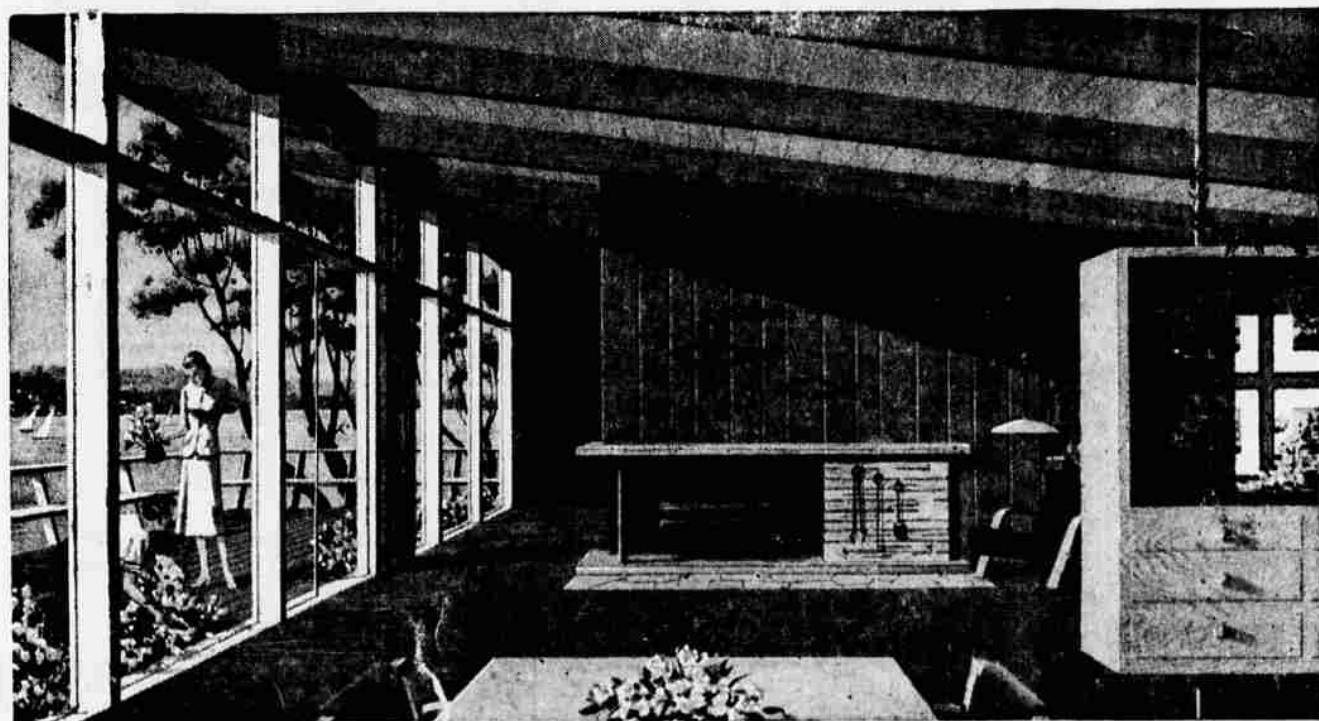
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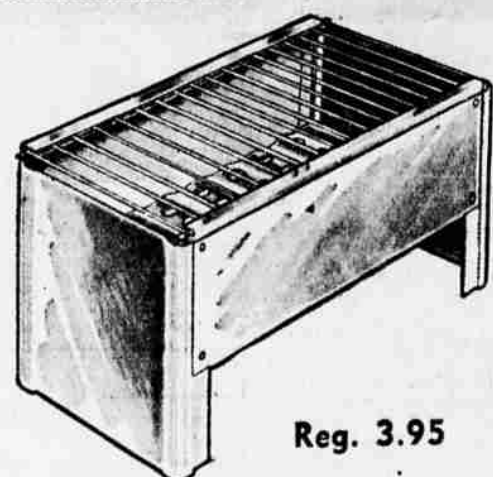
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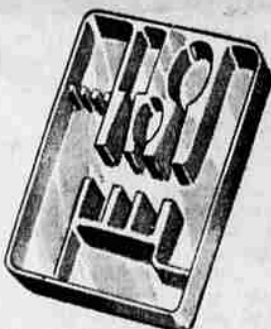
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