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SPEED MAKES NEWS

Charles V. Stanton

News may be defined as a report of something unusual or out-of-the-ordinary.

Fitting into the category of a novelty, we believe, is the sight of lawyers in a hurry.

Persons concerned with litigation continually are griping about the deliberate pace of legal procedure. It seems impossible to get any speed into lawyers and courts.

Therefore, it becomes a matter of news when lawyers get in a hurry — and we've never seen such bustling and scurrying as marks the activities of members of the Bar Assn. in Douglas County in these recent days. The fast tempo gives proof that lawyers are capable of speed when occasion demands.

The reason for all this haste is that Douglas County lawyers are racing against time to collect signatures on a petition of nomination for Judge Frank B. Reid. The same condition exists in other counties of the Second Judicial District where friends of the new circuit court judge are endeavoring to obtain more than 6,000 names on nominating petitions, have the petitions certified, and get them filed with the Secretary of State by the date of Aug. 23.

Candidate In November

When Judge G. F. Skipworth resigned recently after 40 years of service to the district, Reid was appointed by Governor Patterson to fill out the term until the November election. Reid was recommended for appointment by Judge Skipworth and all of the judges of the district, and almost unanimously by members of the Bar Assn. But because of the late date at which he was appointed, little time is left to obtain necessary signatures to secure his nomination by petition in time for the November election. Thus, his many friends in the district are putting on all possible steam to complete the petitions within the few days remaining before filings are closed.

Douglas County attorneys gave unanimous endorsement to Reid's appointment. Eighteen from Roseburg went to Eugene to attend the ceremonies at which he took the oath of office from Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly.

Several lawyers in this area are exhibiting a slow burn because, while the office is non-partisan, a Democratic politician has used the appointment of Reid as a political propaganda springboard.

New Judge Well Qualified

Reid's supporters point out his exceptional qualifications for the office to which he has been appointed by Governor Patterson.

A resident of Eugene, Judge Reid is 49 years of age. He was admitted to the Oregon Bar in 1928, following graduation from Southwestern State Teachers College and University of Oregon.

He engaged in practice of law in Lane County from 1930 to 1943. He entered military service in 1943 and was assigned to the Army Engineers as chief of the legal division of real estate at the Hanford Project, and later was assigned to the Dept. of Justice.

Following release from the Army he was appointed district attorney pro tem for Lane County for one year before resuming private practice. He has been attorney for the Western Assn. of Lumbermen and Loggers since 1945.

During the past year he has had service as circuit judge pro tem for Lincoln, Marion and Douglas counties.

Attorneys declare that Judge Reid is a "natural" for the bench. He handles his courtroom with firmness, they report, yet shows kindness, courtesy and understanding for those who come into his court as defendants or litigants.

Because they are anxious to secure his nomination and election, Douglas County attorneys are really moving in high gear. And that's news.

Hal Boyle

MT. HARNEY, S. D. — A princess dwells atop this 7,240-foot peak, the highest mountain between the Rockies and the Alps. She is Kathy Clark, 19, a forestry student at the Iowa State Agricultural College, and she is a working princess. She mows — all by herself — the highest of 16 fire lookouts in the million-and-a-half-acre Black Hills National Forest.

I leaped up to her solitary eyrie with her boss, Supervisor Jack C. Kern, but on the way Kathy, a pretty, dark-haired girl, passed as coming down in another jeep. After 10 days and nights of fire watching, it was her day off.

"Can't stop," she hollered. "I have to play in a softball game, and I'm late."

Kern grinned, and waved her on. "Six of our 16 lookout posts now are manned either by girls or by husband and wife teams," he said.

"The girls make very dependable fire watchers."

"Kathy is one of our very best. She never gets excited, even during a lightning storm, when we may have six or seven fires going at once."

"She likes the work. This is her third summer. She lives in a little kitchenette beneath the tower, and does her own cooking and laundry."

"Kathy stays up here 8 to 10 days at a time. No, she doesn't get lonely. The job isn't as monotonous as a 'highhouse' keeper. The lookouts also act as ground observers for the Air Force. There is always something to do, and, of course, there are a lot of visitors in the summer."

The vista from Mt. Harney is one of the most beautiful in America. The eye can see parts of five states—South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming, Montana and Nebraska.

"On a clear day we can detect a small fire as far as 70 miles away," said Kern matter-of-factly.

People generally think of forest fires as spectacular conflagrations that happen only once or twice a year. But an evergreen forest in

"YOU Calling ME Black—Why You ...!"



Peter Edson

WASHINGTON — (NEA) — President Syngman Rhee of Korea, invited to Washington by President Eisenhower, had several run-ins with Alger Hiss during World War II, according to Dr. You Chan Yang, Korean ambassador to the United States.

Rhee was in Washington then, trying to stir up interest in post-war Korean independence. He tried to get the State Department to approve sending him to Korea so he could lead a revolt against the Japanese.

Many times he was unable to see the division chiefs," says Ambassador Yang. "He had to be content with the cold and negative intellectual arrogance of a young man—now a number in a penitentiary—but then known as Alger Hiss. He would listen with detached indifference to the pleas of a leader who had suffered exile, imprisonment and torture in behalf of the rights of man."

Dr. Yang told this story in a recent speech at the Warren R. Austin Institute of World Understanding at University of Vermont.

Dr. Yang also told another story about President Rhee. On one occasion Rhee had to jump into a spare coffin to save his skin. He was escaping to China after a futile attempt to start a Korean revolution in 1919. On the way to China his ship docked at a Japanese port. To avoid arrest, Rhee occupied a coffin alongside dead Chinese being returned to their homeland for burial. A trusted lieutenant, now-Col. Ben C. Limb, Korean ambassador to the UN, stood guard over him in the ship's hold.

DR. GEORGE W. CALVER, the Capitol physician, makes it a point to be on the Senate floor whenever there are night sessions. Senators suspect that their doctor sticks around because he fears the night sessions are a threat to their health, and because of the high death rate among senators this year.

One senator accused Dr. Calver of this openly. "Doc," he said, "You look like an old turkey buzzard hanging around for us to die."

Dr. Calver denied it. "You men are in your best condition when you are speaking and campaigning. The arm waving and exercise you give your vocal cords is the principal thing that keeps you in shape."

Accident Delays Big Plane's Test

SEATTLE — Test flights of the Boeing Airplane Co.'s multi-million dollar stratofortress, the eight-engine B-50, faced a 3-day delay Friday pending manufacture of a nosewheel strut lost Thursday night when the plane left the runway after a landing at Boeing Field.

The accident, the second ground mishap involving the plane Boeing hopes will become the nation's first jet airliner, followed by a few hours an Air Force announcement it is buying a limited number of the craft for use as refueling tankers.

It also followed a test flight of the first production model of the B-52 Stratofortress, Boeing long-range jet bomber ordered by the Air Force for the Strategic Air Command.

With Chief test pilot A. M. (Tex) Johnston at the controls, the Stratofortress flew over Puget Sound for nearly an hour and 15 minutes. Boeing officials said the flight was successful and said it signalled the start of production in quantity of the global bombers.

Johnston also was at the controls of the stratofortress when it landed at the field two hours later after the latest of a series of tests undertaken since the craft was first flown in July.

Johnston said the brakes failed after a perfect landing. He guided it off the runway into soft dirt. Boeing engineers said loss of the nosewheel strut was the only damage.

A Boeing statement said, however, that because the B-50 is a test model, spare parts must be made to order and this will force a delay of 30 days or more in the flight test schedule.

In the first accident involving the B-50, it damaged its undercarriage during taxiing tests last May prior to its maiden flight.

Tug Held Reponsible For Damaging Collision

PORTLAND — A decision handed down Thursday by Federal Judge Gus Solomon made the tug, Columbia Queen, solely responsible for a Columbia River ship collision last year in which a barge load of ammunition was sunk.

The tug, hauling a barge loaded with 700 tons of eight-inch shells with a value of \$400,000, collided with the ship, Hawaiian Planter. Much of the ammunition has been recovered and salvaged.

The owners of the tug had filed a marine libel suit against the owners of the Hawaiian Planter. The federal government had filed suit against both owners.

COMMISSIONER of Patents Robert C. Watson has ordered all Patent Office employees to take a new look at the official writing they do. The Government Printing Office has reported to Watson that the mistakes in grammar and punctuation which have to be corrected in Patent Office copy cost about \$50,000 a year. The total printing bill for the Patent Office runs about \$2 million a year.

Commissioner Watson has also asked his examiners to be less windy in describing patents. And he has ordered them not to have unnecessary drawings included in official patent publications.

SEN. JOHN KENNEDY (D., Mass.) was on crutches for over a week, but this didn't prevent him from tackling a heavy schedule. It was an old war injury which put the young senator on crutches. His leg was injured in Pacific action when a PT boat he commanded was run down and sunk by a Japanese destroyer.

For two days he led a fight on the floor of the Senate to raise and extend unemployment insurance benefits. On the first day of debate his Massachusetts colleague, Republican Sen. Leverett Saltonstall, asked unanimous consent to allow Kennedy to sit on the arm of his chair while making his address. No one objected, and in this way Senator Kennedy kept the weight off his injured foot.

One interesting sidelight of the visit this week in Roseburg by Ralph E. Carlson, director of the Red Cross First Aid and Water Safety Service, was his report of operations at now historical Panmunjom.

He was one of three men from the American Red Cross on a planning commission before the Korean armistice.

The three Americans met in Tokyo with RC teams from Turkey, England, the Philippines and Australia to plan a special mission for supplemental feeding, assistance and comfort of prisoners being transferred.

The commission worked with a United Nations team for several weeks in Tokyo, Japan, before the exchange agreement was reached. By the time the exchange operation was ready to start, a main team of 70 members from several different countries had been trained at Pusan.

The armistice agreement also made provisions for work by members of the Red Cross of communist countries also, Carlson said.

When the actual exchange operation started, the United Nations Red Cross arrangement went to work smoothly, but it fell far short of its goal of actually aiding those in prison camps before arrangements could be made to transfer them. Carlson reported the Reds were not completely cooperative.

He called some of the scenes during the exchange as "pitiful." He said some men were just stunned. They couldn't even talk to answer questions.

After Carlson's visit here, he tossed a parting bouquet to the Douglas County chapter of the Red Cross. "The board of directors and secretary here (Roseburg) are tops," he said.

Carlson was in Roseburg to discuss a Red Cross plan to teach school instructors first aid courses. They in turn would teach accredited courses. He is located at the Pacific area office in San Francisco.

Atom Buildup Slow In Asia

WASHINGTON — The United States is not likely to match soon in Asia the buildup of atomic missiles strength now being carried out in Europe.

Political and geographical factors combine to make the Far East less important and desirable as a station for units equipped and trained to use the new weapons. First of all, the U. S. has no broad defensive alliance in Asia. It does have mutual defense agreements with some individual Asian nations, but nothing to compare and highways that crisscross Europe.

And, from a geographical standpoint, much of Asia lacks suitable targets for atomic missiles. The Army's missile family is designed primarily for use against big targets and against lines of mass transportation—like the railroads and highways that crisscross Europe.

While the Army is shipping more missile units to Europe, American strength in these weapons in the Western Pacific is expected to lie mainly with the Navy and Air Force.

Army already has in Germany many five battalions equipped with 30 atomic cannon. And the first unit equipped with "Corporal" guided missiles will be sent there in the near future. The Air Force has in Germany one squadron of 300-mile-range "Matador" guided missiles and another similar unit has been alerted to make the move there.

No such procession of missile units has been announced for Asia. But the Navy does have ships in its Pacific Fleet that can launch guided missiles not only to protect the fleet but also to blast enemy land targets hundreds of miles away.

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The young people met at Camp Myrtlewood near Bridget and returned 4-H clubs from Douglas, Coos and Curry counties. Camp was held in two sessions, according to the local office, one for younger members, one for older youth.

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Days Creek School Board Notes Policies

By JEAN YODER

The Days Creek School board, at the regular meeting August 2, formally adopted a written formulation of board policies covering administration, finance, patrons, personnel, pupils, school property and buildings in relation to the school.

Most of the policies have been in effect for the past year and a half, but it was decided that the policies should be in writing. Any patrons of the district may look over the policies at any time, according to Supt. Marlen Yoder.

The board also decided that the main school lane would be treated with oil and gravel. Three sewing machines, a refrigerator and two stoves were purchased for the new home economics room.

The report by custodian Floyd Heckman for repair of the lower basement windows was accepted and the work will be done this year. The school calendar, listing important dates of the school year including Aug. 31 as the beginning date, and May 25 as the closing date, was approved.

The board will meet with the contractor and architect Aug. 21 for final approval of the new building. A formulation of policy for leasing of teacher homes to teachers was established by the board.

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the basement were several empty whiskey barrels.

One sleepy-hot summer morning a small boy was playing down in the basement maybe because it was cooler there. The barrels engaged his casual attention. There were wooden corks in the bungholes. He pried out one of the corks. He jostled the barrel and nothing sloshed. An odor, however, issued from the hole. Having grown up under prohibition, he did not recognize it. But it intrigued him.

So — Being a small boy — And small boys' reactions being always unpredictable —

HE LIGHTED A MATCH AND DROPPED IT IN THE BUNG-HOLE.

The resulting explosion lifted the two-story brick building a foot or more off its foundations and shattered every window in it. The small boy, by some freak, escaped with only severe but temporary shock and the loss of his hair and eyebrows.

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Wool Production Up In State This Year

WASHINGTON — The Agriculture Department Thursday estimated this year's production of shorn wool at 229,371,000 pounds or about one million pounds less than last year.

The indicated production, however, is about 14 per cent less than the 10 year (1943-52) annual average.

No estimate was given for production of pulled wool, that taken from hides of slaughtered animals as contrasted with that shorn from live ones.

The number of sheep shorn this year has been 3 per cent less than last year.

Production of shorn wool was greater than last year in Idaho and Oregon.

It was smaller in Montana and Washington.

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The leasing agreement will be signed by both school board and leasee.

Supt. Yoder will be on vacation from Aug. 9 to Aug. 26. Yoder stated that he would be at his home part of the time, but not always available at the school. High school students may register at the school on Aug. 26 and 27, from 10 to 12 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held Sept. 6. All regular meetings are held on the first Monday of every month and are open to the public.

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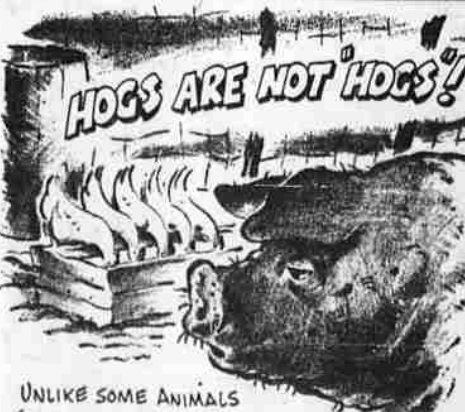
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