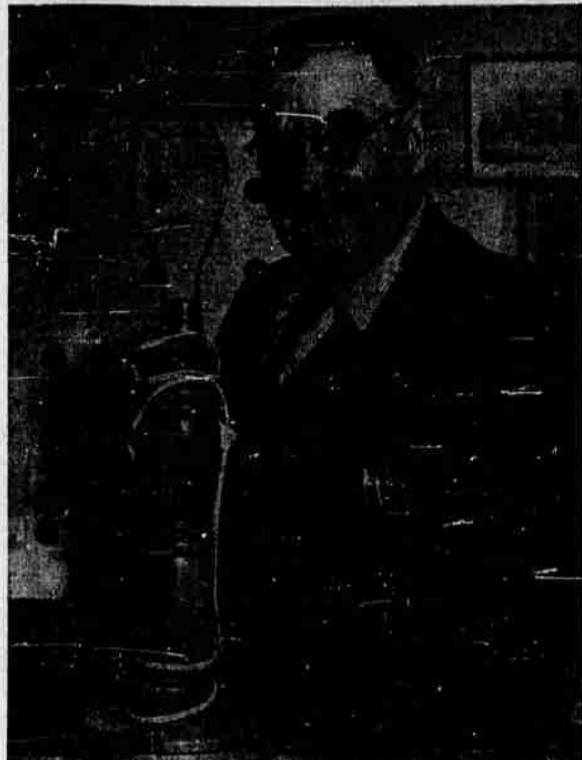


# GRAND JURY INDICTS 34 FOR NON-SUPPORT

## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

By Paul Jenkins



**E. G. HIGH**, Roseburg insurance man, has as one of his several hobbies, the woodworking urge, which displays itself through his hand-crafting of many different articles. The lamp with which he is pictured was turned from tulip wood, one of the hardest, he says, to be found hereabouts. This particular piece came from the tree which formerly stood on the Bitzer property on Jackson Street upon which construction now has commenced for the Newberry store. The tree probably was one of the oldest ornaments in town. Another hobby of Mr. High's, amounting almost to a passion, has been his work in behalf of crippled children. He is one of the most influential men in the state in this endeavor, and was largely instrumental in securing the establishment of Camp Easter Seal at Tenmile Lake, where crippled children were received for convalescence through last July and August. His aim, and that of his many loyal co-workers, is to make this a year-around camp. Campaigns now are under way to insure final payments on the institution's mortgage, a project it is hoped will be accomplished by next Easter.

## Ellsworth To 'Punch Away' At More Money For Timber Access Roads In His Area

By LAURA OLSON  
Staff Writer News-Review

If Oregon's congressman from the Fourth Congressional District has anything to say about it, employment in the district will be expanded.

Cong. Harris Ellsworth, preparing to leave Tuesday for Washington, D.C., said Monday: "As in the past, I plan to do everything possible to stimulate employment in the lumber and logging industry."

He proposed to do it by "punching away on the business of access roads built into forests." Ellsworth pointed out more highways meant more timber to market, more jobs and a better economy for the area where timber and lumber are the prime source of income.

The Federal Highways Act, he said, (passed in 1953) greatly expanded the access road appropriations and authorizations. It still remains, he added, to get the Bureau of the Budget to include the full amount (23 million dollars) in the budget.

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Secretary Dulles, speaking in Paris to the foreign, defense and finance ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty powers, delivered himself of an interesting bit of philosophy. He said to them: "We must not be lulled by the surface smoothness of Soviet policy, nor frightened by its surface roughness, nor provoked by incidental rough actions."

Well spoken, sir. In your advice to the brass of NATO, you join a noble company of able thinkers. Back in 1901, Theodore Roosevelt said in a speech in Minnesota: "There is a homely adage that runs, 'Speak softly and CARRY A BIG STICK and you will go far.' That is as true now as it was back in 1901."

Dulles, by way of sound advice to the communists, might have added a line from John Dryden's "Absalom and Achitophel": "Beware the fury of a patient man."

If you happened to have a patient...

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## The Weather

Mostly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Slightly cooler Wednesday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours	52
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	30
Highest temp. any Dec.	70
Lowest temp. any Dec.	5
Precip. last 24 hours	0
Precip. from Dec. 1	3.21
Precip. from Sept. 1	8.03
Deficiency from Sept. 1	3.92

Sunset tonight, 4:40 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:42 a.m.

The legislator intends to talk to Budget Director Hughes as soon as possible after he arrives in Washington, D.C., Jan. 2.

He also plans to follow the bill through the appropriations committee.

"Unless the government provides the means to get the timber to market, it (the Federal Government) will lose money," he said.

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## Logging Accidents Hospitalize Two

Logging accidents sent two Douglas County men to Community Hospital Monday. Neither was reported in serious condition Tuesday.

O. B. McElfresh, 39, 740 Ivan St., Roseburg, was admitted to the hospital in the afternoon. Attendants said he had broken his right arm and suffered a head laceration.

McElfresh told them he had put his arm up to protect his head as a sapling toppled towards him. His action, attendants said, saved him from a fractured skull. McElfresh is employed by Hanson Bros. Logging.

Another Roseburg man, Theo Albert Reierson, 45, 938 N. Jackson, was brought in Monday evening. Reierson told hospital personnel he had been kicked with a power saw. He had severe trauma of the right leg, attendants said. He works for Martin Logging Co. of Winston.

## Warm Spring Now Flows From Mountain Following Last Week's Severe Quake

DIXIE VALLEY, Nev. — In this desolate, arid valley, where water has been found only in minute quantities, a warm stream now spurts from the mountain fastness and races along an awesome gash in the valley floor.

Deep scars slash the valley floor as if an angry giant had attempted to pull the mountains from their roots.

Scientists say that either the snow capped peaks have been shoved upward a few feet or the valley itself has dropped.

These are results of the violent earthquake born in this isolated spot last Thursday and felt in five Western states.

The quake was without doubt one of the most important ever recorded in the United States," Prof. David Slemmons, University of Nevada earthquake expert said. By this, he said, he means in terms of ground displacement.

Slemmons is among the scientists who have converged on Dixie Valley to study the effects of the quake. He flew over the area — some 50 miles east of Fallon

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## Verdict Expected In Sheppard Case

### Jurors Request Additional Time For Decision

By RELMAN MORIN  
CLEVELAND — The Sheppard murder trial jury ended Tuesday morning's session still wordless, but hope persisted in the courtroom that this will be "V-Day" — the day of the verdict.

Although jurors gave no sign again, when they appeared in the courtroom prior to being excused for lunch, optimism continued for a decision Tuesday in the drawn-out trial. It was based mainly on the fact that in answer to Judge Bryant's question Monday night, they requested more time to consider the complicated case.

They now are in the fifth consecutive day of deliberations. Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, the accused man, stands charged with first degree murder in the bludgeoning death of his wife, Marilyn, 31, last July 4. He told the jury during the nine-week trial that he was asleep when a mysterious prowler attacked his wife. He said the killer knocked him unconscious when he ran to the bedroom where the murder took place.

Sheppard, as usual, was present

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### James Hilton, Author, Dies Of Cancer

LONG BEACH, Calif. — James Hilton, British novelist and screenwriter whose books included "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" and "Lost Horizon," died Monday night after a long illness from cancer of the liver. He was 54.

Critically ill for several weeks, he succumbed in Seaside Hospital. His former wife, Alice, who had maintained a vigil for days, was at the bedside.

Hilton had lived here in Long Beach for 10 years while writing for the movies.

He entered the hospital Nov. 21 suffering from an infection of the nature of which was not disclosed. Today his physician Dr. David Wilson said that he had had cancer of the liver for a long time.

He had been near death for several days.

Hilton, born Sept. 9, 1900, in Leigh, Lancashire, England, had said it was Hollywood which brought him to America, although he said he couldn't find America in Hollywood.

"I live in Long Beach because it puts me closer to the feel of America," he once said. "You can't get the feel of it from Hollywood."

It was the mystical lost land of Shangri-la, a valley of beauty and serenity and eternal youth, which started Hilton on years of restless wanderings between England and the United States.

Shangri-la was a distant, misty utopia in Hilton's most famous novel, "Lost Horizon." The 1934 best-seller and the 1935 movie version, which Hilton came here to help film, had made the word famous the world over.

Hilton's search for his own peace and quiet brought him from England to Hollywood three times and continued through two unsuccessful marriages.

The same years produced a flow of best sellers which found an easy market in Hollywood.

### Military Must Prune 403,000 From Strength

By C. YATES MCDANIEL  
WASHINGTON — The military services have been told to start pruning 403,000 from their present over-all strength to reach the 2,815,000-man level the administration thinks is about right for the current cold war.

In disclosing a manpower cut-back program Monday, Secretary of Defense Wilson said it will be accompanied by a 50 per cent slash in draft calls starting in February, when the announced quota of 29,000 is to be dropped to 19,000 or 11,000. Quotas have been running about 29,000 for many months.

Wilson said an improved situation in the Far East and "better opportunities for peace" everywhere entered into President Eisenhower's decision to trim the services.

Only the Air Force, which will continue its gradual buildup to 975,000 men in the next 18 months, escapes the trimming.

In the same period—that is, by June 30, 1956—the Army will drop 25 per cent of its current strength to level off at an even one million. The Navy is down for a 6 per cent cut from present strength to reach 650,000 and the Marine Corps will drop 14 per cent to 190,000. Overall strength for all services last month was 3,218,000.

There was no immediate reaction from members of Congress, but the decision seemed likely to stir some controversy. A number of Democrats have complained that the nation's military might is already dangerously weak.

### Doom's Day Called Off, Says Prophet

CHICAGO — A prophet of doom who had predicted cataclysms would engulf the continent before midnight said Tuesday morning there will be no disaster for the day.

Mrs. Dorothy Martin, who had predicted tidal waves would sweep over much of the land between the Arctic Circle and the Gulf of Mexico, said that by "intervention on the part of the God of earth, disaster has been stayed."

Mrs. Martin said she and 13 of her disciples, in her home in suburban Oak Park, "had sat for the Father's message the night through and God has spoken."

"Not since the beginning of time upon this earth has there been such a force of good and light as now floods this room and that which has been loosed within this room now floods the entire earth."

Mrs. Martin said in a statement. Dr. Charles A. Laughhead, who lost his job on the student health staff of Michigan State College by acceptance of Mrs. Martin's prophecy, was among the 14 at her home throughout the night.

Mrs. Martin said the "Father's message" had been received by "two forces."

In her statement she said: "For this day it is established that there is but one God of earth and He is in the midst and from His hand thou has written these words and mighty is the word of God. And by His word have ye been saved, or from the mouth of death have ye been delivered."

Mrs. Martin's prophecy had called for the destruction of Chicago. She also said the West Coast would be submerged from Seattle to Chile. Dr. Laughhead had said the East Coast would be engulfed, too.

### Planning Group Studies Steps To Adopt Code

Discussion of steps to take in obtaining a suitable building code and inspector for the county took up much of the time at a meeting Monday night of the Douglas County Planning Commission.

Reporting to other members of the commission on a recent trip to Wasco, Multnomah and Lane counties were T. Claude Baker, county sanitarian, and Robert Franks, commission secretary.

The two men made their trip to study what other counties have done in setting up a building inspector's office and hiring an inspector.

Commission Chairman John Pett said the commission also discussed the possibility of purchasing a small camera. It would be used in obtaining slides to use in presenting talks, in showing existing good and bad conditions, and in obtaining a historical record. Obtaining foreign films on planning, to be shown to interested persons, is being investigated by J. Haslett Bell of Portland, planning consultant hired by the county.

After the meeting in the county court rooms, the group went to the planning office in the court-

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### Ellsworth Suits Lafferty's Suit Holding Up Funds

Rep. Harris Ellsworth took a dim view Monday of an Oregon attorney's public plea to President Eisenhower to bring about an early distribution of more than 6 million dollars to 18 western Oregon counties.

The attorney is A. W. Lafferty, the attorney representing Clackamas County. It has only the 18 O&C counties. The 6 million-plus is money impounded in the treasury pending settlement of a dispute over administration of the O&C lands.

"If Lafferty really wants to see the money distributed to the counties immediately, he has only to withdraw his suit," Ellsworth said. He continued that the suit froze the funds again after the Cordon-Ellsworth bill had settled the matter, including distribution of funds.

"If he is really sincere, he will just withdraw the suit, Ellsworth repeated. He said such a withdrawal would be to the advantage of all counties, including Clackamas."

Clackamas County, through Lafferty, has challenged the Cordon-Ellsworth Bill as unconstitutional. The U. S. District Court had dismissed the constitutional action earlier this month, but that action is being appealed.

Monday, Lafferty urged the President by letter "to use his good offices for expedition (of settlement) by the attorney general and the secretaries of interior and agriculture."

Ellsworth said he considered both the suit and appeal to the President as "headline seeking."

Ellsworth was one of the authors of the bill which settled the legal status of the 476,000 acres of disputed O&C land. Under it, the O&C formula for distribution of 75 per cent of funds received for timber sales from the land would go to the counties, but the Forest Service would continue to administer the land.

### Cigar Store Damaged In Fight; Man Arrested

The interior of the Monarch Cigar Store, 126 Cass St., was left a "shambles" and a Roseburg man landed in the city jail Monday night, the aftermath of a fist fight, according to Roseburg police.

Fred Theodore Long, alias "Pistol Pete," 48, Grand Hotel, was booked on three charges—disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and being drunk in a public place. Name of the second man wasn't obtained.

Officers said they found a show case smashed and books and magazines scattered on the floor of the store when they investigated. Witnesses said Long had left, and police arrested him in his hotel room.

On the way to the police station, officers said, Long threatened them and at one time attempted to pull a knife.

### Non-Supporting Father Penalized

A 29-year-old father, appearing in circuit court Monday afternoon shortly after the grand jury returned 34 non-support indictments, was quickly fined \$100 and sent to jail.

William Turner Mays was found guilty by Judge Carl E. Wimberly of contempt of a court order for payment of support money.

Having just expounded on the problem of non-supporting fathers, Judge Wimberly wasted little time in sending Mays to jail until he decides to support his children. The action supported a statement the judge made during the hearing: "Fathers will have to support their children or go to jail."

Mays returned here from the Coquille area after a bench warrant was issued on the contempt charge.

### Woman Struck By Car; Other Accidents Told

Roseburg police Monday investigated the car failed to stop when it struck a third in which a woman pedestrian was struck down by a car whose driver left the scene after helping the woman to her feet.

The woman is Mrs. Irvin Bridges, 1070 W. Third St. The accident occurred at Douglas and K and e streets Monday evening. Her husband said the car failed to stop for Mrs. Bridges, who was in the pedestrian lane. Officers said they didn't learn extent of her injuries.

Glenn John Byers, 39, of 1133 Corey Ave., was cited for violation of basic rule after his car collided with a parked sedan on Military Street just west of Madrone Street Monday afternoon.

Byers, driving east on Military, related that another car passed him, forcing him to the curb. He said he didn't see the parked car, belonging to Larry Fitzgerald, 743 S. Stephens St. The Fitzgerald car was bumped nearly 23 feet by the impact. Damage to the cars aggregated \$550, police estimated.

An unidentified car swung into dead-end Chadwick Street Monday night. When the driver attempted to turn around, his car smashed the rear of a parked car owned by Gordon Leon Singleton, "5, of 204 S. Chadwick.

Neighbors said they glimpsed the offending car, which drove off without the driver leaving the court. The trio was a Singleton car was about \$100, officers said.

### Assembly Of God Sets Play For Wednesday

"A Gift for the Christ Child," a dramatic presentation, will be given by the young people of the Assembly of God Church Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. Music will be featured, with the Girls' Jubilee Chorus singing the anthems that are heard throughout the play.

The story, which tells of the spirit of Christmas and a selfish man, is under the direction of Mrs. Vernon L. Klein, with members of the church taking the characters' parts. A male quartet will also be featured during the evening.

### New Plywood Mill Will Rise In Albany Area

ALBANY, Ore. — Construction of a new plywood mill, which will employ about 50 men, will get under way this week.

The mill, to be located near the Southern Pacific rail line south of Albany, is to be built by the Hub City Plywood Corp.

Elmer Dicher, president, said the mill will buy veneer and use a cold press to make plywood.

### Myrtle Creek Logger Hurt In Woods Monday

Royal Buell, 24, Myrtle Creek, was injured Monday while working for UPCO Logging Co.

Shop officials said the accident occurred about noon on the 600 road at the West Fork logging operations.

Buell, a choker setter, was struck on the back of the head by a falling sapling. He was rushed to the Myrtle Creek Hospital by the Prudential ambulance where he was treated for cuts and bruises. Hospital spokesmen said today that he was not badly hurt but was held at the hospital overnight for observation, reports Ruth M. Evans, correspondent.

## Children Aid Abuse Is Hit By Probers

Besides 34 secret non-support indictments, the Douglas County Grand Jury Monday presented a written statement in circuit court criticizing the current problem caused by parents who fail to provide for their children.

Noting that support money in the county in 1954 under the welfare commission's aid-to-dependent-children program will be about \$200,000, the jurors said the entire program is being endangered and that something should be done about it.

It was determined through investigation of some cases that funds expressly granted for certain children are not being used for their benefit exclusively, but instead are being appropriated by people who are capable and should be caring for themselves.

"To permit this situation to continue is to allow a fraud to be perpetrated upon the taxpayers of Oregon," the grand jury reported.

Although expressing satisfaction with the work being done by the welfare commission, the jury said it is necessary that steps be taken to cut some of the cost of supporting children.

The jurors recommended that recipients of aid money be impressed with the fact assistance "is an emergency matter and is not to be considered as a continuing proposition or as a matter of 'right'."

The jury also stated: "In investigating a case to determine whether or not a need exists for aid-

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## Continued Oil Drilling Up To Stockholders; Meet Wednesday Night

The future of immediate continued drilling for oil in Douglas County seems to rest with Community Gas and Oil Co. and Oil Developers Inc., shareholders meeting Wednesday evening in Roseburg.

They will gather at American Legion, 135 N. Jackson, to formulate plans for future action, according to David Busebnark. Busebnark is president of Community Gas and Oil Inc.

The Oregon Corporation Commission recently approved sale of more oil well stock to the sum of another \$100,000.

Drilling operations in Milrose halted abruptly Dec. 15 when drilling ran into lava at a depth of nearly 3,700 feet.

Busebnark says the drilling rig of Santa Maria drillers is still in Milrose. This dispels a current rumor that it had been taken back to California. The rig will remain here until Jan. 6, Busebnark added. If shareholders decide to make another try for oil, it will stay.

Should shareholders decide to make another try for oil, another hole will be drilled, Busebnark said. Its location has not been selected, he added, but it would be placed within a few miles of the current hole.

## Information On Theft Here Flashed Over State

A Roseburg police warning to other law enforcement agencies throughout the state was flashed over the state's teletype system after a burglary netted a checks protector and nearly 150 blank checks here.

The burglary occurred Monday morning at Wolbert Welding & Machine Works, 129 Second Ave. S. C. W. Wolbert, owner of the establishment, told officers that his son discovered the crime at 6:50 a.m. when he came to work. The property was still in the building Sunday afternoon, Wolbert said.

Entry to the building was made through a rear window at a corner of the building on Fowler Street.

## Mrs. Herman Amorde Injured In Car Accident

A Winston woman was reported in good condition at Mercy Hospital Tuesday after her car rolled over on its side in a ditch south of Kelley's Korner Monday morning.

Mrs. Herman Amorde, 47, was suffering mostly from shock, according to hospital personnel.

A relative said Mrs. Amorde was driving to work in Roseburg about 9:30 a.m. when the accident occurred. Mrs. Amorde said she took to the right hand ditch to avoid colliding with a car which had suddenly pulled into the line of traffic.

## Quick Results Reported From TV Set Sales Ad

One woman can attest to the effects of a News-Review want ad. She advertised for sale a 21-inch television set for \$125. The ad ran for two days. During that time, she received 40 telephone calls, three of which were long distance calls.

Needless to say, the set was sold immediately.

## Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Ergo, socialized medicine is coming, and consumption of apples "to keep the doctor away" will probably concurrently decline.



AN ELECTRICAL WONDERLAND—Andrew (Shorty) Bray casts a proud look at the electric railroad and town display he put up in the lobby of the Grand Hotel, 206 W. Cass, Roseburg. Bray worked evenings for two and one-half months to complete the miniature village. He is maintenance superintendent of the hotel. The village is surrounded by mountains. The train runs through a tunnel which bores through one mountain. Bray says it is an exact replica of Mt. Hood. The lighting of the village is complete. Block signals have stop-go lights. Towers and semaphores shine brightly, as do the street lights and the houses. (Paul Jenkins photo)