

PRESIDENT ASKS BIPARTISAN HARMONY

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR
By Paul Jenkins



KEE BRIGGS is pictured beside an exhibit of his photographs now on display at the city library. Right at present soldiering is his chief vocation, but photography runs a close second. He has just completed a course at the Army Language School, Presidio, Monterey (he now can speak Chinese and read German), and after expiration of a furlough, which he now is enjoying, he will report for duty to Ft. Lewis. He expects immediate shipment to the Orient.

Kee is a Roseburg High School graduate (1951), earning his letter in basketball and tennis, and editing both the school annual and the Orange R. His first year of a three-year hitch in the Army has earned him a corporal's stripes, and at the same time has enabled him to achieve an ambition to learn photography. He is visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Emma Briggs at 1004 Council St., and will remain in Roseburg until about Jan. 20.

Brochure Readied To Inform Voters Prior To Bond Vote

Public Meeting On Bond Issue Slated Tonight

In 1952 voters faced with jammed schools in District 4 authorized a bond issue of \$225,000. The money was designated for a "starter unit" of a junior high school that would eventually serve 650 students in the north Roseburg area.

Today Joseph Lane Junior High School has a capacity of 450 students.

Tuesday District 4 voters will be asked to vote on a ballot measure

SPECIAL MEETING

District 4 voters will get a first hand report on the forthcoming school election tonight. A public meeting and "open house" will be held at Joseph Lane Junior High School beginning at 8 p.m. Members of the District 4 school board, school administrators and Joseph Lane Principal R. R. Brand will outline school needs. They will explain the current bond issue proposals. The school is located in north Roseburg on Vine Street, just north of the Pine Motor Theater. Residents are invited to view the school, Brand said.

of \$207,000 to complete the second phase of the junior high school program.

The "starter unit" contains the basic essentials of 13 academic classrooms, office, furnace, lavatories, library room, stage, health-teacher room and cafeteria.

The "second phase" would pro-

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The new congress met at noon Wednesday with the Democrats taking over from the GOP's in both houses.

Democratic Senate Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson pledges there will be neither blind support for nor blind opposition to President Eisenhower.

In the house, Democratic Speaker Sam Rayburn puts it like this: "We're not going in hating President Eisenhower just because he's a Republican."

Well spoken, gentlemen — and most praiseworthy. But you aren't kidding anybody. Here's what you MEAN:

"We can't afford to get rough with the NOW. He's too popular. Just as FDR was too popular back in the 1930's to be tangled with by the wicked Republicans."

"But we'll MOW HIM DOWN in 1956 if we can."

Incidentally—

Add Sam Rayburn to the wise

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Land Reclassification Argued

Some Owners Ired At Added Protection Tax

By LAURA OLSON
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Dante's Inferno is said to be a warm place.

It had a counterpart Wednesday afternoon in Roseburg when some 130 members of the Douglas County Livestock Assn. listened (and threw questions) to two Oregon State Forestry Dept. officials.

The men were explaining the current reclassification of forest lands for fire protection now underway. More than one million acres have been reclassified in Douglas County.

Such change brings countless land owners with forest land on their acres under the 1933 Protection Act passed by the Oregon State Legislature. The act requires fire protection on forest land, if such land is placed in class 3 (grazing) it means a five cents per acre charge for fire protection.

In many cases the land owners had never paid any charge before. And, therein, lies the rub.

Several audience members peppered the foresters with a barrage of questions, among them: "Could a change of land use result in a change of classification from 'forest' to 'grazing,' etc?" (The county committee can reclassify in such instances.) "Who decides who pays for fire on lands?" (Each case is determined individually, according to the foresters' men.)

Some questions were tougher. "Why doesn't the DFLA allow us

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Strader Elected New President Of Livestock Assn.

Phil Strader of Glade, a director of the Douglas County Livestock Assn., was elected president of the group Wednesday when more than 130 members met in Roseburg.

Strader moves into the spot occupied the past year by J. Harold Nichols, Brockway. Nichols was named a director of the association by members Wednesday.

Agricultural economist C. W. Vrooman highlighted the morning session which began at 10 at the Farm Bureau Hall on Spruce Street. He told members it appeared 12 per cent less beef would be available nationally in 1955. He predicted a price increase up to 15 per cent.

The number of sheep in the United States is at its lowest level in 80 years, the OSC economist stated. He forecast a slow climb in sheep population. Wool, he added, would make up 85 to 90 per cent of all apparel yardage this year.

Other guest speakers included Rex Warren, cross specialist from Oregon State College; Lial Winney, president of the Western Oregon Livestock Assn.; from Philomath; and Frank Hamilton and Vance Morrison, both from the State Forestry Dept. in Salem.

In other action, the members re-elected J. W. Gorman, Elkton, as secretary-treasurer. They also re-elected their 1954 board of directors: W. A. Ryehard, Yoncalla; J. W. Gorman, Elkton; Walter Welker, Roseburg; Charles S. Dyer, Rt. 1, Roseburg; Louis Kohlhaugen Jr., Roseburg; Ray Doerner, Rt. 3, Roseburg; Elton Jackson, Rt. 2, Roseburg; W. B. Garfield, Glendale; and S. R. Nichols, Riddle.

A spirited afternoon meeting concerned fire protection on recently-classified land within Douglas County. (See other story)

James Evans Gets Three-Year Term In Penitentiary

A 29-year-old Winston man, James Mark Evans, was given a three-year term in the state penitentiary Wednesday after he pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery.

Evans was charged with forging a \$150 check on Wolbert Weidling & Machine Works, Roseburg, and passing it at 99 Tavern, Winston. Circuit Court Judge Carl E. Wimberly imposed the sentence after Evans was arraigned on a district attorney's information by Dep. Dist. Atty. Don H. Sanders. Evans waived his right to stand trial.

Evans was accused of burglarizing the machine works at 129 Second Ave. S. and taking a check writing machine and about 150 blank checks. The burglary took place on Dec. 29, four days after Evans quit his job with the firm.

He was arrested by state police at Grants on Dec. 28 and was immediately returned here by Sheriff Cal Baird to face forgery and burglary charges. Wednesday's arraignment dealt only with the forgery charge.

The check writing machine and most of the blank checks were recovered at the time of the arrest, Baird said.

Barneburg At Albany For Legislative Meet

County School Supt. Kenneth F. Barneburg headed north today to work out final plans on legislation to be presented to the Legislature by the Oregon Assn. of County School Superintendents.

Barneburg, who is president of the association, met with the unit's legislative committee today at Albany. Friday he will go on to Salem to meet with the legislative council of the Legislature, a clearinghouse for all bills to be introduced at this session.

Headquarters Are Set Up For March Of Dimes

Any information concerning the March of Dimes drive in Douglas County may be secured by calling MOD headquarters in Roseburg, telephone 2-1128.

Drive chairman Mrs. Walter Brittle said Wednesday that all donations should be turned into the office at Trowbridge Electric Co., 135 N. Jackson St. Mrs. Lee Kendall and Mrs. Ad Zenger are in charge of the office.

Malone's Wife Walks Out On Neuberger Talk

By ED CREGGH

WASHINGTON (AP) — The wife of a Republican senator walked out last night on a speech by Oregon's new Democratic Sen. Richard L. Neuberger assailing "character assassination" in political campaigning.

Mrs. George W. Malone, wife of the senior senator from Nevada, booed and then left the crowded Presidential room of the Statler Hotel while Neuberger was speaking.

Neuberger, sworn in Wednesday as a senator, shared the speaker's platform with Vice President Nixon and New Jersey's new Republican Sen. Clifford P. Case at the annual congressional dinner of the Women's National Press Club.

Neuberger said a "distinguished member" of the Republican party engaged in below-the-belt tactics in the 1954 campaign. He named no names. Some Democrats have accused Nixon of such tactics. The vice president listed Neuberger as a "left-wing" candidate at Pocatello, Idaho, last October.

Nixon did not join in a burst of applause which greeted Neuberger's first reference to "character assassination." He did join in the handclapping at the end of Neuberger's talk, however.

By that time Mrs. Malone — known to friends as "Katie" — had left the room, declaring in audible tones:

"I've had all I can take."

Outside, she had a verbal tiff with Mrs. Perle Mesta, the party giver often called the official hostess of the Truman administration.

Onlookers said Mrs. Mesta, formerly minister to Luxembourg, shielded Mrs. Malone for walking out on a speech by her husband's colleague, Sen. Malone reportedly contended Neuberger's speech wasn't worth hearing. Then said the witnesses, the women exchanged some personal references.

Mrs. Malone had been seated at a table near the center of the big ballroom with her husband, a member of the GOP Senate group most friendly to Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.). Malone remained at the table.

Report On City Sewers Turned Over To Council

The city of Roseburg's sewer report has been turned over to the city council and the planning commission for study, according to City Manager George Farrell.

The report was completed last spring by Corvallis consulting engineers who were hired by the city to complete a survey of sanitary and storm sewers in the city and environs. The firm is Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield.

Members of the two city bodies, said Farrell, will study the report for the next two or three weeks.

Then meetings will be held to go over the details. Farrell said dates of the meetings haven't been set.



GEORGE M. BROWN
...Elks manager

George M. Brown Is New Manager Of Roseburg Elks

Roseburg's Elks Club has a new manager.

He is George M. Brown, who came to Roseburg from Prineville this week to take over duties. Brown, 58, was secretary and club manager at the Prineville Elks Club for four years before coming to Roseburg.

With the move to Roseburg, he and his wife do not come as strangers. Their daughter, Sharon, is the wife of William Gerretsen, a Douglas County Bank official.

Brown has been an Elk for five years. He was a charter member of the Prineville club. He had been the secretary and manager of the club there since its inauguration.

Brown replaces Ollie Fosback of Winston in the position.

The new manager is also affiliated with several other clubs. He is a life member of the Eagles, a Mason and a Lion. Most of his life has been spent in the automobile business. He was engaged in it when he came to Oregon from Missouri, Mont., in 1946.

He said he is "very well pleased" with the appointment.

Panama Police Hold American For Slaying

PANAMA (AP) — Panama police held a 34-year-old U.S. citizen in connection with Sunday's slaying of President Jose Antonio Remon. They were questioning at least 70 suspects in the gang-style murder.

Police said they picked up Martin Irving Lipstein—tentatively described as a schoolteacher from New York—at the airport 24 hours after Remon and two other men were shot to death at Juan Franco race track.

Authorities said they had released another U.S. citizen, Roy Bettis, 36, a native of Waukegan, Ill., who is employed by the Canal Zone administration but lives in Panama City. Bettis was questioned about the activities of one of his truck drivers on the night of the murder.

American Prosperity Good, Eisenhower Says But Warns Of International Problems

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower appealed today for bipartisan harmony and told the new 84th Congress both parties are "on trial" in the free world's struggle to win enduring peace and prevent an atomic "holocaust."

In a State of the Union message noting the shift in control of Congress from Republicans to Democrats, the President declared America's prosperity outlook "is good"—that "business activity now surges with new strength" and that personal income after taxes is "at a record level."

As for the international situation, he said that during the last year "there had been progress in building hope both for continuing peace and for the ultimate rule of freedom and justice in the world."

"But sobering problems remain ahead" and they require continued heavy spending—two thirds of the entire federal budget expected to run about 64 billion dollars—to buttress the free nations against any Communist aggression, he said.

"The massive military machines and ambitions of the Soviet-Communist bloc still create uneasiness in the world," he said. "All of us are aware of the continuing reliance of the Soviet Communists

President Eisenhower's State of the Union message will be re-broadcast tonight in entirety by both Roseburg radio stations. Station KRXI has scheduled the speech for 7:15. It may be heard over station KRRR beginning at 9:30.

However, Chairman Celler (D-N.Y.) of the House Judiciary Committee already has introduced a bill to give Congress members and most federal judges an 80 per cent pay boost. Celler has given the legislation top priority for consideration by his committee. He said in an interview the house will get a chance to vote on it within a month, if he has his way.

"It will be passed, too," Celler said.

In his message, Eisenhower also served notice he will ask shortly for a boost in postal and civil service worker pay, together with an increase in postal rates.

"In considering human needs," he said, "the federal government must take special responsibility for citizens in its direct employ."

"On Jan. 11 I shall propose a pay adjustment plan for civilian employees outside the postal field service to correct inequities and increase individual pay rates, and I shall also recommend voluntary health insurance on a contributory basis for federal employees and their dependents."

"As part of this program, and to carry forward our progress toward elimination of the large annual postal deficit, I shall renew my request for an increase in postal rates."

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Pair Penalized Here For Reckless Driving

Two men jailed last Friday night on charges of reckless driving each pleaded guilty Wednesday night in Municipal Judge Randolph Slovic's traffic court, and he levied penalties against each.

Clyde Clement, Roseburg Auto Court, also pleaded guilty to not having a driver's license, and the judge nixed him \$80 on a fine and recommended that he be restrained from owning a license for 60 days.

Henry William Penselin, 2565 N. Stephens St., was fined \$25 and the judge recommended that his driver's license be suspended for 30 days. The pair was arrested by city police after a chase on Mosher Streets. Officers said they had been racing.

PRISONER WALKS AWAY

SALEM (AP) — William Sherman Welle, 26, a car thief serving three years from Marion County, walked away from the state penitentiary Wednesday evening.

He was working on the prison lawn as a trusty.

Riddle District School Bond Issue Is Voted Down

Voters in the Riddle School District Wednesday turned down \$195,000 in school construction bonds.

The vote was 200 no and 183 yes, according to Mrs. Erma Best, News-Review correspondent.

It was the third failure of a bond issue in the district. Last year, a proposed issue of more than \$300,000 was nixed. That was followed by approval of \$195,000, but that was nullified when legal flaws were found, and for the second time the issue had failed.

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Contempt Of Court Action Continued On Alliston

A contempt of court action against Joseph Alliston, 76, Lolo, Calif., has been continued indefinitely without further prosecution on condition he make every effort to pay court-ordered support payments.

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly signed an order to that effect Wednesday after Alliston promised to catch up on his payments and stay caught up.

Geologist Says Oil Exploration Now Being Concentrated In Oregon

By GEORGE CASTILLO
City Editor, News-Review

The state is crawling with exploratory parties hunting oil reservoirs judging from a report from a district geologist for the Shell Oil Co. Wednesday.

He is G. M. Valentine, head of exploration work for the company in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. His office is in Elma, Wash.

Valentine told delegates to the second annual convention of Oregon Gasoline Dealers Wednesday noon that no less than 10 major oil companies were involved in some phase of exploration for oil in the state. He related that Oregon is one of the last great unexplored areas of the nation.

He listed the following companies who have been making exploratory ventures over the state: Sinclair Oil and Gas Co., Humble Oil and Refining Co., General Petroleum Co., El Paso Natural Gas Co., Standard of California, Richfield Oil Corp., Ohio Oil Co., the Texas Co., Western Gulf Oil Co., and Shell Oil.

He related that all were active in their exploratory work. He said Sinclair and El Paso were now currently engaged in a wildcat drilling venture at Vale.

Valentine noted that the state is divided into five great geologic areas for exploration purposes. The two most likely areas for oil, he said, are eastern and western Oregon. Of the two, he said western Oregon holds the most promise because it has the types of

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KEY FIGURES at the Oregon Gasoline Dealers convention in Roseburg are the four men above. Ernest Barker, left, is retiring state president. Steve Harriman, second from left, is the local chapter president and host for the convention. G. M. Valentine and J. L. Kinneard, right, were featured speakers. (Paul Jenkins picture).

\$14,000 Expended In County In 1954 For Polio Patients

It cost Douglas County nearly \$14,000 in 1954 to care for polio patients.

Dr. Verner J. Anderson, chairman of the county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Wednesday released the figures showing the high cost of polio in the area.

Care for 13 new patients since August has amounted to \$4,738, he said. Care for these people is just beginning, Dr. Anderson said and it will continue as long as necessary, possibly for years.

Expenditures on their behalf has consisted primarily of hospital care thus far. The cost has been around \$200 per day.

In one particularly serious Douglas County case in 1954, 24-hour nursing care was required for more than a month. Dr. Anderson said. The cost for nursing came to \$48 per day. The polio victim was an iron lung patient now able to spend some time in a rocking bed. Many more weeks in the hospital remain for the individual, Dr. Anderson added.

He listed other typical expenses Wednesday. They include medical care (cost varying with the seriousness of the case) and physical therapy. The cost of a specially trained therapist is high, he said. In addition to helping the new

polio victims, the county chapter last year paid out \$9,131 to aid residents suffering with polio in years past. A total of \$3,595 for home nursing added to the sum. Recuperation at home is considered of great psychological benefit.

Braces, therapeutic treatments and periodic return visits to the hospital make up most of the balance remaining.

The expenditures, Dr. Anderson said, indicate the need for March of Dimes funds in Douglas County. The need will continue for many years, even though a vaccine to prevent future polio is found, Dr. Anderson added.

He estimated residents on their 1954 per capita donation of \$85. It was one of the highest in the nation for counties of similar size.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Spread of desegregation in the South, albeit at a slow pace will ultimately junk the old saying that the "Bourbon Democracy never learns and never forgets."