

Stunt Driver Dies In Thrill Ride

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR
By Paul Jenkins



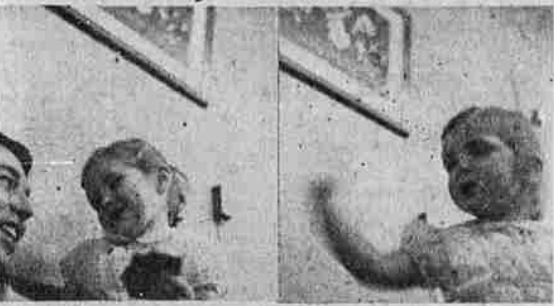
HI MISTER...

HOW 'BOUT A WIL KISS?



WOW!

THAT WAS ALL RITE!



SAY! WHY DON'T YOU
ASK ME FOR A DATE?

BUT NO FUNNY
BUSINESS!

GRACE LOUISE FARENBAUGH indulges in a mushrooming flirtation with George Castillo, city editor of the News-Review, over the back of a booth in the Silver Nook restaurant. Her technique is terrific and it would take a lot sterner man than George to resist her. She is two and one-half years old and is cuter than seven hundred buttons. George, Dan Mindolovich, staff artist of the News-Review, and I were enjoying a cup of coffee when Grace and her mother and grandfather settled themselves in the next booth. Dan, who is as good a photographer as he is artist, had his camera with him and unobtrusively shot the sequence of pictures appearing above. George and Grace were too much immersed in each other's goings-on to notice. He also dreamed up Grace's conversation, as it appears in print.

Umpqua Timber Tract Receives No Takers

No bids for 175,000 board feet of Western red cedar and other species located on Umpqua National Forest in the Little River District were received Wednesday in Roseburg.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Good times note: Oregon employers paid out a record 298 million dollars in wages in the first three months of this year. (The figures aren't guesswork. They come from the state unemployment compensation commission.)

It was the largest first-quarter payroll in Oregon's history.

As of now, and over all the years of the past, Oregon's biggest payroll is that which comes from its timber industry. Historically, the timber industry has tended to be a temporary industry. As the virgin forests have been cut, the industry has moved on.

That causes many people to wonder if Oregon's present prosperity is permanent. This thought has been in people's minds:

What will happen when Oregon's virgin forests have been cut?

Well—

Something NEW has been added to the forest picture. This new ingredient is **TIMBER GROWTH**.

Oregon is presently cutting an

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The Weather

Fair tonight. Friday will be mostly sunny. Not quite so warm Friday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours — 94

Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 58

Highest temp. any July — 109

Lowest temp. any July — 40

Precip. last 24 hours — 0

Precip. from July 1 — 11

Precip. from Sept. 1 — 22.55

Deficiency from Sept. 1 — 7.55

Sunset tonight, 7:52 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 4:46 a.m.

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Vessel Sinks Off Mexico; 33 Missing

VERACRUZ, Mexico (AP) — Fishing vessels searched the storm-whipped waters of the Gulf of Campeche Thursday for 33 persons missing after the sinking of a crowded small passenger boat.

The 145-ton La Flecha sank Tuesday night 40 minutes after sailing from Veracruz, but the disaster did not become known until Wednesday morning when fishing boats picked up 31 survivors. They also recovered the bodies of two children.

All those aboard the 145-ton vessel were believed to be Mexicans.

The La Flecha sinking was the second marine disaster of the day in the Caribbean area. Early yesterday a Liberian ore carrier, the Sun Princess, rammed and sank the 6,155-ton British freighter Geologist off Trinidad. Nineteen crewmen of the Geologist were missing and the body of another was recovered.

The La Flecha went down about four miles off Veracruz. She was bound across the gulf for the Port of Progreso, on the Yucatan Peninsula. Coast guard vessels and fishing boats searched throughout the night for survivors.

A rescued crewman said the La Flecha was carrying at least 66 persons. Her sailing list showed 32 passengers and a crew of 14 aboard, but many of those rescued were not on the list.

Farmhand Admits Abducting Child; Denies Killing Her

JOPLIN, Mo. (AP) — Officers checked discrepancies today in a farm laborer's rambling account of abducting 2-year-old Donna Sue Davis from her crib and raping and beating her.

The body of the Sioux City, Iowa child was found Monday in a farm field near South Sioux City, Neb., just across the Missouri River from the Iowa town.

Detective John Showers said Audrey Brandt, 42, of La Porte City, Iowa orally admitted taking the girl from her bed Sunday night, raping her and hitting her several times.

Showers said the farmhand claimed, however, that he did not kill her.

He told officers he hitchhiked here from Sioux City.

Officers questioned him late into the night on his story, which they described as incoherent in parts.

Detective F. E. Bichelberger said the FBI and Joplin police were studying certain phases of the story that "didn't fit."

At La Porte City, Police Chief Henry Kruse said Brandt had a record of petty thievery there. Brandt had been arrested on child molestation charges in 1947 and last April, Iowa authorities reported.

Wimberly Hits At Delinquency Of Juveniles

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly took a verbal swing Wednesday afternoon at what he termed "a breeder of juvenile delinquency."

His target was the Greyhound Bus Depot, which he nominated as "one of the worst places I know of in Douglas County."

The remarks came during the arraignment of Charles Lowell Sorenson, 23, of 2041 N. Stephens St., who is up for sentence on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor girl.

Sorenson, frequently in and out of court in Roseburg, was accused specifically of seducing a 16-year-old waitress at the cafe in the bus depot and of giving her liquor and keeping her out after hours.

Wednesday, he admitted seducing the girl—state police said at least four times. But, he added, he had permission to marry the girl in December when his divorce in a Denver, Colo., superior court becomes final. He has a child.

However, Dep. Dist. Atty. Don H. Sanders said the girl's mother had sought to have the girl committed to the Hillcrest School for Girls—the state reformatory for delinquent girls at Salem.

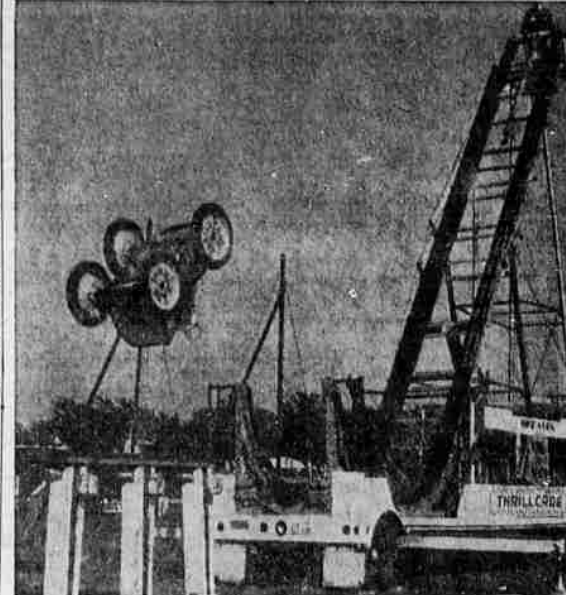
That statement came after Sorenson told Judge Wimberly that he had the mother's permission to marry her daughter.

Joseph A. C. Haystead, state police patrolman, told the judge that the mother forbade Sorenson to come near the girl's home. Monday and taken a statement from him.

Sorenson pleaded guilty to the charge, but Judge Wimberly postponed sentence in order to give the case more study.

The judge commented that he had been in the bus depot once

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DEATH DEFEATED STUNT MAN — Horace Earl Ivie, 30, Oklahoma City, died of an apparent brain hemorrhage Wednesday night after riding the above vehicle down the ramp at the fairgrounds here. The car didn't upset. Death was believed hurried by an old brain injury.

Sec. Dulles Leaves For Europe To Lay Conference Groundwork

PARIS (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Dulles flew into Paris Thursday to help put the finishing touches on Western strategy for the Big Four summit conference.

The American secretary was to confer Thursday and Friday with French Foreign Minister Pinay and British Foreign Secretary MacMillan to complete coordination of Western policy for the Geneva talks.

They will meet Saturday with the North Atlantic Council to outline the Western policy to their NATO partners' foreign ministers.

Democrat Gordon Gray Called By Eisenhower

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gordon Gray, Democrat who has served in assignments under Democrats and Republicans, returned to government service Thursday.

Gray, secretary of the Army in the Truman administration, becomes assistant secretary of defense for international security affairs.

Despite his arrival, there will be a net reduction of one Democrat in the higher administrative levels of the Eisenhower administration.

Two Democrats are leaving—Deputy Secretary of Defense Robert B. Anderson and Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, secretary of welfare, both Texans.

Probation Violation Jails Convicted Non-Supporter

George Keith Gough, 37, of 1824 N. Stephens St., is being held in the county jail on a charge of parole violation.

Gough was sentenced to a year in the state penitentiary last October by Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly for non-support, but was granted probation. He was arrested again Tuesday by the Sheriff's Dept.

GIRL HIT BY PROPELLER

EUGENE (AP) — Marlene Thomas, 13, Eugene, remained in serious condition at a hospital here Thursday with injuries suffered in a water-skiing accident Monday.

She was skiing behind a boat operated by Francis Thomas, her grandfather, when she fell in front of a following boat driven by Jerry Rowe, Eugene. She was hit by the propeller of Rowe's craft.

The girl underwent surgery Tuesday.

Northwest Projects Listed In Appropriation Measure Ready For Ike's Signature

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower's signature was all that was needed Thursday to open the way for the start of construction on three new Pacific Northwest dams.

Money for preliminary phases of the projects—Ice Harbor Dam in Washington and Cougar and Hills Creek Dams, in Oregon—was included in appropriations bills passed by the House and Senate Wednesday and sent to the White House.

The legislation, a compromise version of bills passed separately by the two chambers earlier, covered the nation's flood control, navigation and reclamation work for the 1955 fiscal year.

One provided nearly \$54 million dollars for use by Army Engineers to plan and build flood control and navigation projects. The other appropriated \$151,541,000 for reclamation construction. The final figures were agreed upon by a Senate-House conference committee.

The bills earmarked one million dollars to start construction of Ice Harbor Dam on the Lower Snake River, \$30,000,000 for construction and planning Cougar Dam, and \$310,000 for construction and planning Hills Creek Dam.

The action on Ice Harbor brought a prediction from backers of the long-sought project it would lead to "orderly" development of the Snake. It would be the first of four planned for the river to aid

water transportation to Lewiston, Idaho.

The public works bill had these appropriations for the Northwest: Washington—Ice Harbor, \$1,000,000; Chief Joseph Dam, \$18,000,000; Tacoma Harbor, \$245,200; Eagle Gorge Reservoir, \$1,000,000; Grays Harbor Channel, \$421,800; Point Chehalis, \$120,000.

Oregon—The Dalles Dam, \$63,500,000; McNary Lock and Dam, \$11,000,000; Columbia River at mouth, \$750,000; Cougar Reservoir; Hills Creek Reservoir, \$300,000; Willamette River bank protection, \$300,000; Coos Bay, \$200,000; Lookout Point Reservoir, \$200,000; and Tillamook Bay and Bar, \$200,000.

Planning items: Washington—Randle, \$3,000,000; Colas, \$10,000; Shishole Bay, \$50,000.

Oregon—Amazon Creek, \$220,000; Grande Ronde River, \$55,000; Malheur River, \$5,000; Prineville, \$4,000; Coos Bay, \$38,000; Green Peter Reservoir, \$100,000; Hills Creek Reservoir, \$10,000; John Day Lock and Dam, \$550,000; Johnson Creek, \$35,000; Multnomah Drainage District, \$35,000.

Reclamation: Washington—Roza Division, Yakima project, \$475,000; Foster Creek Division, Chief Joseph Dam, \$631,000; Columbia Basin, \$12,500,000; Kennewick Division, Yakima project, \$3,000,000.

Oregon—Deschutes project, \$274,000.

Horace Ivie Is Victim At Thrillcade

Brain Hemorrhage Gets Blame For Death Of Stunter In Thrill Ride

Death defeated a 30-year-old stunt driver in a "death-defying" act before about 1,000 persons at the county fairgrounds at Roseburg Wednesday night. The act was billed as the "Ride of Death."

Dead of an apparent brain hemorrhage was Horace Earl Ivie, Oklahoma City, who died at 11 p.m., two hours after he apparently completed his act successfully in Aut Swenson's Thrillcade, a Springfield, Mo., show. He performed under the name of Dario LaCosta.

Ivie's stunt was to ride a small four-wheel vehicle down a ramp from a tower about 40 feet high. At the end of the ride, the car was to somersault three times, landing on its wheels.

The trick came off well, but attendants, upon reaching the car after its whirl through the air with the rider, found Ivie unconscious. He was rushed by Billy Mohr's Ambulance Service to Douglas Community Hospital, where he died at 11 p.m., two hours after the stunt came off.

Swenson told Coroner L. L. Powers that Ivie had performed as a stunt and racing driver for several years, and Powers theorized that Ivie had suffered a previous brain injury in an accident.

He said death might have been caused by a weakened blood vessel ruptured by the impact of the car landing at the bottom of the ride. An attending physician said the death apparently resulted from a brain hemorrhage.

Ivie, during his ride, had no control over the small vehicle and was strapped in its cockpit. The somersaults are performed at the end of the ski-slide appearing ramp, and the car is hurtled back

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Winston Voters To Decide Upon Joining District

Residents of Winston will ballot on the city's return to the Winston-Dillard Water District in about three weeks, according to Mrs. Viva Wright, office manager of the water board.

Council and water board members and several citizens met Wednesday evening to discuss such a possibility. Mrs. Wright said that Mrs. Viva Wright, office manager of the water board, said a date for the election would be set in the near future.

If Winston residents approve returning to the district, a second election will be necessary. It will be voted by persons living in the water district.

Mrs. Wright pointed out that the entire city would join the district if both groups approve.

Work on the access road and base for the water tank at Winston Heights recently approved by voters there is scheduled to start soon, Mrs. Nichols reported.

Accidents Injure Three Men Wednesday

Accidents sent three Douglas County men to Douglas Community Hospital Wednesday. Each was reported in good condition Thursday morning.

R. Glen Brady, 55, 690 Booth St., Roseburg, received treatment for a ruptured knee ligament about 6 p.m. He is employed by Hanna Bros. Construction Co., Portland. He was reportedly injured on the job.

Virgil Grant, 46, Camas Valley, suffered a fractured tip of the long bone in his right leg Wednesday as he worked setting chokers in the woods. Grant told hospital personnel a log rolled over him. He is employed by the Frank Carl Logging Co.

Studebaker-Packard Co. Employees Leave Jobs

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Workers on the final assembly line at the Studebaker-Packard Co. walked off the job Thursday, making about 6,000 plant employees idle and halting production of Studebaker cars.

The work stoppage stemmed from a dispute over seniority, a management spokesman said. Between 75 and 100 men took part in the initial walkout.

WATER SUPPLY LOW

Residents of Roberts Creek and the Winston-Dillard Water District have been requested to use water sparingly for irrigation purposes during the current hot spell. Roberts Creek Water District Supt. O. T. Carter said the water supply available was "very low."

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Rebellious prison convicts are having so much success winning better conditions that ultimately they may be demanding compensation for overtime.

Howard's Men's Store Opening Scheduled Friday

The grand opening of a new men's store in Roseburg will be held Friday. It is Howard's Men's Store, 249 N. Jackson St. The store will feature nationally advertised lines of dress clothing, work clothing and western wear.

Howard Hunsaker, former manager of Howard's Men's Store, is the owner and manager. Frank Norton, former manager of Wilder's Men's Store, will manage the dress clothes department, and Cecil Doty, former manager of the Outdoor Store, will manage the work and western wear department.

Contest cash prizes totaling \$500 will be given away at the opening.

The store is located in the old Sprouse-Reitz building. It has been completely remodeled, inside and out.

Senators Confer With Heltzel On Nightcrawler

SALEM (AP) — Members of the legal staff of the State Public Utilities Commission will confer with three state senators in Grants Pass Thursday over a request for a PUC hearing on the Southern Pacific's cancellation of its Portland-Ashland train run.

The service is scheduled to end Aug. 7.

Two of the state senators, Phil Lowry of Medford and Paul Geddes of Roseburg, have requested the hearing. They will be joined in the conference by Sen. Gene Borwn of Grants Pass. Head of the PUC delegation will be John R. McCullough, chief legal counsel.

Public Utilities Comm. Charles Heltzel said Wednesday that a court test of the authority of the PUC to block the SP's decision to halt the train run may result if the senators decide to file a formal demand for continuation of service.

Heltzel also said that PUC rate men are scheduled to make a financial survey of the train run next week.

Roseburg 13th Among Cities In Valuation

Roseburg stood 13th among cities in Oregon in valuation of building permits issued in June, statistics of the Equitable Savings & Loan Assn., Portland, reveal.

During the month, \$149,859 in permits were issued, up 61 per cent from May, but down 67 per cent from June 1954.

DESERTER HELD

James Louis Violette, 20, Roseburg, is being held in the county jail for Air Force authorities, who charge him with being a deserter. Violette was arrested by state police Wednesday.

Oil Well To Be Spudded In Next Week At Camas Site

By GEORGE CASTILLO
City Editor, News-Review

In the language of the oil-drilling fraternity, The Coos Bay Oil & Gas Co. is expected to "spud" its well in the shadow of Camas Mountain next week.

Part of the drilling rig is already up and two more truckloads of equipment are scheduled to be sent from Long Beach, Calif., Monday. Drilling is expected to start three or four days after the equipment arrives.

This was the report Wednesday by company president Ray Carr of Lookingglass. He said drilling would be done by the Uranium Oil & Gas Co. of Reno, Nev.

The drilling rig, which sticks up 90 feet from a cleared space on a dome east of Camas Valley, is built to chew down 6,500 feet. Carr said that on one job where drilling was easy, the bit had driven down 8,500 feet. Either depth is more than enough by Carr's calculations. He said he expected to see drillers hit oil between 2,000 and 2,400 feet.

Without hesitation, he said: "I know there's oil here." And he's a man who's apparently familiar with oil and geology. He says he has been exploring and mapping the area from Roseburg to the coast for 10 years.

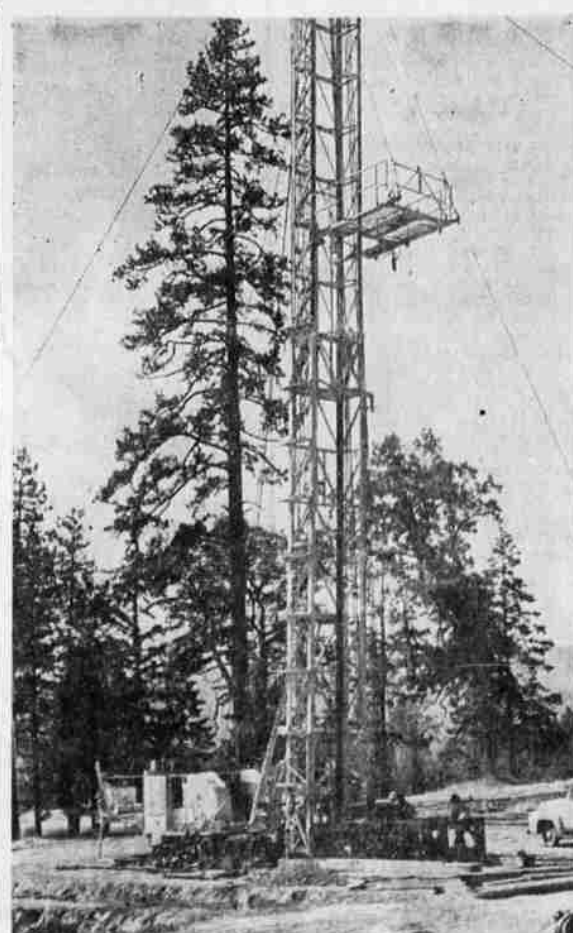
The former Oklahoman came here from San Francisco to retire 14 years ago. He found retirement was too hard a job for him to handle, so he started a hatchery and it gave him time to putter in his first love, geology. He began exploring the area.

The result of his studies over the last decade led him to the decision that "oil is here" and that he wanted to be in on the ground floor when it was discovered.

"I think this will be the best oil area in the Northwest," he said. And his description of the effects of oil on the economy was glowing.

The company has leased about 22,000 acres in the Camas Valley area. A total 12,000 are held by the drilling company with considerations from the leases to go to Coos Bay Oil in the event oil is struck.

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THE DRILLING RIG on the southwest side of Camas Mountain is now in position and will go into action as soon as other equipment arrives and can be set up. President Ray Carr estimates it will be set in motion next week. (Paul Jenkins picture).