

Church Activities

Green Friendly Circle Elects Lela Sherwood

Lela Sherwood was elected president of the new women's organization, The Friendly Circle, of the Green Community Church at a meeting last week.

Other officers and committee chairmen elected were: Glynn Johnson, vice president; Mary Eastman, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. David Siemens, devotional; Mary Lewis, hospitality; Marjorie Fox, sunshine; Lou Nash, missions; Mary Weikum, music; Lucille Barnes, decorations.

The purpose of the organization is to promote missionary endeavor and to be of assistance in church activities.

The group will meet at the church at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, and membership is open to all ladies of the community, reports correspondent Mary Weikum.

Oakland Bible Class Sets Plant, Food Sale

The ladies Bible class of Oakland Community Presbyterian Church decided to have a plant and food sale at the Sanitary Market, April 27, at the last meeting.

The group discussed Camp Fire leaders for next year, as Mrs. Isabelle Page will not be here. The Camp Fire girls led by Mrs. Page will entertain their sponsors, the Bible Class, at a party this Thursday afternoon.

Devolutions were led by Mrs. Guy Pealer and Mrs. Mary Lee gave the lesson on "Jesus' Teachings in Citizenship," reports correspondent Edith Dunn.

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses
GORDON-FOWLER — Robert E. Gordon and Dorothy E. Fowler, both Roseburg.
CULLETT-THACKREY — Frank G. Cullett and Joan A. Thackrey, both Myrtle Creek.
ROOSE-LEFFLER — Robert K. Roose and Lois M. Leffler, both Wickliffe, Ohio.

Divorces Granted
PECKHAM — Gwen from Donald Eugene Peckham. Plaintiff granted custody, support for three minor children, property settlement.
FRESHOUR — Mildred from Nate N. Freshour. Property settlement approved.
BROWN — Frank M. from Marie M. Brown. Property settlement confirmed.

DIVORCE Results Filed
HOFFERBER — Ernest vs. Elvith Hofferber. Married Oct. 4, 1949 at Stevenson, Wash. Plaintiff seeks custody of minor child.

Douglas County Youths Complete 'Boot Camp'

Gordon P. Cox of Glendale and Bruce M. Cunliff of Roseburg were graduated from recruit training recently at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Cox is the son of Mrs. Mildred Cox of Glendale and husband of the former Miss Betty L. Ellis, also of Glendale. Cunliff is the son of Wayne P. Cunliff, Rt. 4, Box 736, Roseburg.

The nine weeks of "boot camp" included drill and instruction in seamanship, gunnery, life saving, sea survival, boat handling and the use of small arms.

Following two weeks leave, graduates report to shipboard duties or service schools depending on the qualifications each man has demonstrated.

Algerian Rebels Slay 5, Wound 12, Kidnap 10

ALGIERS — Algerian rebels killed five persons Monday, wounded 12 and kidnaped 10 others in an area 33 miles northeast of French Foreign Legion headquarters at Sidi Bel Abbes.

The attacks were centered on the West Algerian town of St. Denis Du Sig.

In Paris, unknown persons fired machine guns into two suburban cafes frequented by North Africans, killing two men and injuring 12 others.

Senate Probe Committee Told Of Coon Tactics

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him down, and that is the reason he is talking.

From Bradshaw and William Ryan, a highway contractor, there was testimony of violence to force unionization of workers on a highway project.

Bradshaw testified that about 1,000 pickets were assigned to halt operations at Ryan's roadbuilding job in Wyoming County about eight miles from Scranton. Only 45 men worked on the job.

"There were some goons brought in from New Jersey with guns," asked Robert Kennedy, counsel to the rackety investigating committee.

Bradshaw said they were, and to further questioning said they carried guns.

"There was a crap game up there," he said, "and every time one of the boys stooped over to pick up the dice we could see the guns."

Asked by Sen. McChellian (D-Ark.), committee chairman, how many "goons" were brought in, Bradshaw replied "four or five."

Contractor Ryan said it was in October, 1953, that pickets armed with "clubs, wires and iron rods" descended on his highway project.

Ryan testified that Joseph Bartlett, business agent for Scranton Carpenters Local 261, came to him with two other Scranton union officials and demanded that he employ them. He said the others were L. E. Ross, secretary-treasurer of the Carpenters Joint Council of Eastern Pennsylvania and Bob Malloy, business agent for the Scranton Teamsters Local.

He said that a meeting in a Scranton hotel, Bartlett "told one of my men (a clerical employee), 'You have a good job and won't get hurt.'"

Ryan said Bartlett continued, "These other two, pointing to my brother and me, are going to get hurt and hurt bad."

He said his men were not unionized and picketing continued despite "threats and injunction." He said pickets "stopped our operations completely."

Bradshaw, 36, a former boxer who said he now does odd jobs around Scranton, was convicted some time ago of implication in the dynamiting of a home being built by nonunion craftsmen.

Since his conviction, he has been ousted as steward of the Teamsters Union and has implicated other union officials in the dynamiting.

Bradshaw said he had secretly made recordings of conversations that would prove he did not do the dynamiting.

Bradshaw said he went to Philip Brady, business agent of Local 81, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and announced that he and "my friend" Miss Helen Canfield had secret recordings.

He said he told Brady "the Teamsters won't take care of me, it's up to you people," and took Brady to Miss Canfield's apartment to hear the recordings. Miss Canfield, a brunette divorcee, is to testify later in the hearings.

Beck Promises To Blow Lid Off Senate Probe

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pected to come the embattled union's strategy for answering congressional and AFL-CIO attacks.

Beck called the conference amid conflicting reports the board could back him to the man or would attempt to strip him of his tight-fisted control over one of the world's largest labor unions.

The 62-year-old Beck, accused of using \$30,000 in union funds for personal projects, made it clear he has no plans of stepping aside voluntarily.

"I'm not planning to retire at all, though I would be money ahead if I did," he said. He offered no explanation but apparently had in mind the \$50,000-a-year pension — the same as his current salary — he reportedly would receive upon retirement.

Earlier he said he will seek an other five-year term as president at the Teamsters' September convention.

A known rival for the job, James B. Hoffa, one of the union's most influential vice presidents, sat across the conference table from Beck.

Beck, however, is having troubles of his own. The Detroit Teamster executive is under indictment for bribing a member of a Senate investigating staff.

Bedouin Troops Holding Jordan In Tight Grip

AMMAN, Jordan — Bedouin troops and security police held Jordan under tight control Tuesday as the moderate new government got down to the hard work of restoring stability to the country.

Its first job, following the hectic six-day cabinet crisis from which King Hussein emerged with a decisive victory over leftist and extremist elements, will be to clean the Communists and their sympathizers out of key posts in the government and the army.

Only two minor demonstrations were reported Tuesday. In old Jerusalem, leftist students and teachers staged a parade. Members of the Moslem Brotherhood layd them and, in a brief skirmish, a few persons were injured. The other demonstration took place in Nabulus.

In Amman, leaders of leftist groups have been warned drastic action will be taken against them if they start trouble.

The future of Maj. Gen. Ali Abu Nuwar, 34-year-old chief of staff of the Jordan army, remained in doubt, informed sources said. Brig. Sadik Sharara, deputy chief of staff, is returning from London.

Maj. Gen. Ali Hayari is acting chief of staff. Nuwar has officially been given 14 days leave and latest information available indicated he remains in Syria.

He switched his loyalty during the crisis when it appeared the National Socialist Party of Suleiman Nabulsi, whom Hussein ousted from the premiership last Wednesday, would be victorious. Whether Nuwar will be forgiven remains to be seen.

The new cabinet is expected to press a swift and thorough cleanup of Red elements that have infiltrated public agencies.

Observers also looked for King Hussein — flushed with his military victory over leftist leaders — to invite James P. Richards, President Eisenhower's special envoy, to Amman to explain the President's Middle East doctrine.

There was no clear indication, however, that Jordan would subscribe to the American plan aimed at halting Communist penetration of the Middle East.

With the formation of a regime purged of Communists and extremists, Hussein emerged from the six-day cabinet crisis with strength and status. A dramatic display of loyalty by tough Bedouin troops of the Arab Legion turned the tide.

The Bedouins swarmed into the capital yesterday from strategic positions surrounding Amman. Security police loyal to the young monarch also went out in force with riot equipment.

Boostered by this support, Hussein summoned all former prime ministers, senators and some deputies to the palace. They emerged after three hours with a seven-man government headed by Hussein — Fakhri Khaldil, 61-year-old former foreign minister who has shown sympathies toward the West.

Sworn in with him were five other moderates. The seventh Cabinet member is Suleiman Nabulsi, head of the big National Socialist party and premier of the anti-Western government Hussein threw out last week.

Divers May Inspect Damaged Bridge Pier

PORTLAND — Divers may be sent down to inspect one pier of the Hawthorne Bridge that was struck hit when two unmanned ships slammed into the span Sunday.

This was reported by Multnomah County engineers Monday as they estimated the damage at from \$30,000 to \$50,000.

The two vessels, here to be scrapped, broke loose from their moorings upstream in a wind storm when gusts reached 70 miles an hour. They were swept broadside against the span after being partly turned by two small fire boats.

Pulp, Paper Plant Plans For Expansion

PORTLAND, Maine — Expansion plans of the Brown Co. leading New England manufacturers of pulp, paper and other forest products, were announced Monday.

It was a series of Oregonian stories, based on tape recordings made available by Elkins, that started the investigation. The newspaper said those recordings did not include any wiretap material, but instead were of room conversations by Langley and others.

Holmes Names Norton To Game Commission

SALEM — Marcus E. Norton, operator of a retail lumber yard at Phoenix, Jackson County, was appointed by Gov. Holmes Tuesday to the state Game Commission.

Anthony Eden Making Satisfactory Progress

BOSTON — Sir Anthony Eden, who underwent surgery last Saturday for a bile duct obstruction, sat up in a chair for the first time Tuesday and was allowed nourishing fluids.

The morning bulletin from the Lahey Clinic said the former British prime minister had a comfortable night and that his progress on the third day after the operation has been satisfactory.

Senatorial Investigators To Look Into Tax Structure

WASHINGTON — Sen. Byrd (D-Va.) said Tuesday senatorial investigators will take a "searching look" at the nation's tax structure as part of an inquiry into financial policies.

Byrd, who heads the Senate Finance Committee which has scheduled the inquiry, declined comment on a proposal by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce for a drastic reduction in upper bracket income taxes.

But Sen. Douglas (D-Ill.), a committee member, said in a separate interview he doubts the chamber spoke for its rank and file members in suggesting a top income tax rate of 50 per cent, instead of the present 91 per cent.

The chamber said in a new tax study that the "surest and quickest way" to income tax reductions for the average wage earner "is to first reduce the highest rates drastically." It said lower rates on large incomes would encourage investment, boost job opportunities and give the government more revenue.

"I am afraid the chamber is speaking for the relatively few men who seem to control its policies rather than the great mass of small businessmen who make up its membership," Douglas said.

"I hold to the opposite view that the major portions of any tax cut that may be made should be given to those of low and moderate incomes. This should be done by increasing exemptions and by reducing certain excise taxes on necessities and comforts."

Byrd said the staff of the Senate Finance Committee is considering all proposals "made for possible revision in the tax structure and submit them to the committee in its broad inquiry into the nation's monetary policies."

The Virginia senator made it plain, however, he believes substantial reductions in government spending must be made before there will be any room for action toward cutting taxes.

Opponents Argue Against Key District Proposal

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is unfair, he said, because many counties have not been reapportioned yet by the state Tax Commission.

Several committee members criticized the witnesses because they had no alternative plan. Rep. Shirley Field (R), Portland, suggested that the whole matter might be made the subject of a legislative interim study for the next two years.

Carroll Howe, Klamath County school superintendent, said the bill is unfair because it doesn't make allowance for the fact that some counties levy higher county school taxes than others. He said the Klamath County school fund amounts to \$22.60 per child per year, while most other counties levy only \$10.

He also said that publicly owned power systems should be put on the tax rolls, asserting that "there has been a 22 million dollar utility that is tax-free. If we put that on the tax roll, the Eugene district wouldn't be in distress."

"The boys who pay the power bills in Klamath Falls are paying the tax load in Eugene," he said. He said he favors keeping the present formula, under which the money is distributed on the basis of \$80 per child per year.

Wallace McCrae, Pendleton school superintendent, said the bill "does not equalize costs and improve education. It has inequities that make it inoperable."

Dr. James Evans, Baker school superintendent, said the bill would discourage consolidation of school districts because some districts would find they would get more money by not consolidating.

"Assessed valuation," he said, "is not an index of income. Many Eastern Oregon counties are not as rich as the sponsors of this bill assume. It is completely unworkable."

Uncoordinated Vision Clinic To End Friday

Uncoordinated vision of preschool children is being recorded through Friday by the Douglas County Health Department, Mrs. Levia Miller, public health nurse, said.

Parents can take their children, between the ages of three and five, to the First Christian Church, 432 S. Kane St., between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. and 1 and 4 p.m.

The program, which is also being sponsored by the State Board of Health, provides a screening process for pre-school children. The children are also recorded.

The service is free to the public, Mrs. Miller said.

Theft Of Gum Leads Youth To State Prison

CORVALLIS — Stealing a five-cent package of gum led to a one year state prison term for Richard Dixon, 18, Monroe.

He was fined \$10 on April 8 after pleading guilty to the theft of the gum. Later, Circuit Judge Fred McHenry decided the gum theft was a violation of the terms of Dixon's probation in an earlier case and sentenced him to the one year term.

The probation had been in connection with a Feb. 23 assault on a Eugene milkwoman.

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Committee Tables Measure Ousting Indicted Officials

SALEM — The Senate's Multnomah County delegation Monday voted 4 to 3 to table a House-passed bill to require the governor to suspend state and local officials who have been indicted by grand juries.

The four who voted to table, and thus let the bill die, were Democrats. They are Sens. Walter J. Pearson, G. D. Gleason, Jean Lewis and Phil Brady.

The other three voted to send the bill to the judiciary committee. They are Sens. Rodie Wilhelm (R), Alfred H. Corbett (D), and Ward Cook (D).

Wilhelm said he would move in the Senate to take the bill away from the delegation to permit the Senate to vote on it.

The bill, after being passed by the House, was sent to the Multnomah delegation by Senate President Boyd Overhulse. The Judiciary Committee had expected to receive the bill.

The bill would apply to two indicted officials—Multnomah County Dist. Atty. William Langley and Mayor Terry Schunk of Portland.

However, legislative lawyers disagree as to whether the governor could be given power to suspend local officials such as Schunk. Langley is a state official.

The bill says that when an officer is suspended, he will draw his full salary during the period of suspension.

Salmon Boats Stay Home, As Price Dickered

SAN FRANCISCO — Salmon boats stayed in home California harbors Monday, opening of the season, while their representatives dickered with buyers over prices.

The asked price was 45 cents a pound for large salmon, 35 for medium and 32 for small.

At Monterey and Moss Landing, only a few of 100 boats went out because these fishermen, independent, were waiting for the price to be set through the San Francisco negotiations.

None of the approximately 200 salmon boats basing at Eureka left port. Fishermen operating off the extreme Northern California coast were reported asking a price ranging from 30 cents a pound for small salmon to 45 cents for large king salmon.

One Eureka area spokesman observed that the price dickered occurred virtually every spring. He said he could not recall a salmon season when fishing boats went out on opening day.

At Seattle, trawlers reported getting 51 to 53 cents for large king salmon, 49 for medium and 41 for small kings.

Oregon House Votes Against New Bond Issue

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or television station owner to prove that the libel was accidental and free from negligence.

The present law requires that the person bringing the suit must prove lack of negligence.

Three Senate lawyers — Carl Francis, Dayton; Warren Gill, Lebanon; and Philip S. Lowry, Medford — led the assault on the present law.

They said it is unconstitutional because it violates a provision guaranteeing "remedy by due course of law."

Lowry said the 1953 law "invited yellow journalism to Oregon."

The only senator who supported the 1953 law was Leader Quiring. Hermiston, a former weekly newspaper publisher.

He said that the 1953 law was good because it eliminated nuisance libel suits, and declared that the people haven't demanded any change in it.

Republicans voting against the bill were: Belton, Cameron, Chase, Hare, Leth, Ohmart, Quiring, Schlesinger, Wilhelm, Yturri and Ziegler. The Democrats against the bill were: Chapman, Hopkins and Thiel.

The House voted to reconsider the municipal power tax bill and sent it to the Taxation Committee.

The bills, defeated 30 to 24 last Friday, would permit property taxation of property of municipal electric companies which is owned outside the boundaries of the cities in which they are located.

The specific purpose of the bill is to allow the Springfield School District to tax property of the Eugene Water and Electric Board.

The Senate sent to the House a bill to permit the state Parole Board to grant paroles to habitual criminals who are serving life terms.

The House sent to the Senate a bill to permit blind persons to operate vending stands in state, county and city buildings.

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Britain's Defense Minister Backs Nuclear Bombs Tests

LONDON — Defense Minister Duncan Sandys declared Tuesday the "protective power of the free world depends at present almost entirely on the nuclear strength of the United States."

Sandys, son-in-law of Sir Winston Churchill, opened a two-day defense debate in the House of Commons by rejecting Laborite demands that Britain postpone this summer's H-bomb tests.

"There will be no real safety in the world until there is disarmament," he said, "but I think most of us agree that nuclear disarmament by itself would be disastrous."

Shouts of "No," from Laborite benches threw the House into an uproar as the defense minister declared:

Sixty 4-H Club Members To Get Scholarships

Sixty Douglas County 4-H Club members will be selected early next week for \$20 scholarships to be used at Oregon State College June 11 to 21, Jane Gates, county 4-H Club extension agent, said.

The 4-H Summer School is open to members 12 years of age or older. Outstanding boys and girls will be selected by a scholarship committee composed of 4-H leaders.

The scholarships are provided by service clubs, businesses, granges and community clubs. Organized representatives of the who would like information concerning sponsoring of a 4-H Summer School scholarship may contact their local 4-H Club leader or the Douglas County Extension Office in the courthouse at Roseburg, Miss Gates said.

Canyonville To Buy New Maps Of City

Canyonville City Attorney James Richmond was authorized to purchase maps of the city from the county assessors office at a Canyonville City Council meeting Monday night.

The maps will contain the names of Canyonville property owners. Mrs. Ralph Goodell, city recorder, said the maps would help her with book work in regard to sewer credits.

In other action, the council passed a resolution to request the state to pave Canyon Street between Fourth and Fifth streets, and Fifth between Canyon and Main streets.

Business licenses were issued to Elmer J. Engen for a service station on north Main Street, and L. M. Percival of Myrtle Creek for Raleigh Products.

Three persons were appointed to the city budget committee. They were A. I. Custis, H. A. Johnson and Robert Patterson. The budget committee will meet with the council Monday night at 8 p.m. in the city hall.

Court To Decide On Probe Into Labor Rackets

SEATTLE — A meeting of King County Superior Court judges was scheduled at noon Tuesday to consider a State Bar Assn. request for a grand jury inquiry into alleged labor rackets and allied matters.

Story Birdseye, presiding judge, called the judges' conference after getting a formal request from the bar group's board of governors.

The board referred to disclosure made before the Senate investigating committee in Washington, and said "our citizens have a right to expect some action now."

It demanded a "sweeping investigation of the alleged misconduct, corruption and misuse of funds by labor union officials," a probe of "asserted conspiracies of unions and employers," and an inquiry into any contributions by unions to public officials.

Charles O. Carroll, King County prosecutor, said the bar group may not have been aware of "the work being done by local agencies" in this field.

Carroll said a grand jury would cost probably \$75,000 to \$100,000 and might duplicate "the same ground that is being explored at the present time x x x."

"But if they still feel a grand jury can handle this more adequately," the prosecutor added, "I certainly wouldn't oppose it."

STICKS TO PREDICTION

SALEM — Gov. Holmes is sticking with his prediction that the Legislature will end by May 4, but he's not quite so sure.

"I am not quite as firm," he told his press conference Monday, "but I'm still passing the word that May 4 is the day."



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