



NEW LOCATION — L. B. Hicks, who has been in the Roseburg real estate business for 13 years, has opened a new office at 957 N. E. Stephens St. The building has been remodeled and contains four office rooms. A new service of the firm will be insurance. Hicks has purchased the insurance business of Stanley Short. Hicks, who has been working out of his home, said four persons are currently employed and more salesmen might be added to the staff in the future. (Gilman photo)

President Says Retreat On Defense Plan Dangerous

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower said Wednesday that any basic compromise on his defense reorganization plan would mean a retreat to a dangerous degree of military ineffectiveness.

One Paratrooper Strangled By Dental Plate

FT. CAMPBELL, Ky. — Army authorities said Thursday one paratrooper was strangled to death in a mass air drop here last week when a partial dental plate lodged in his windpipe.

Maj. L. A. Breault, public information officer, said a partially completed investigation showed three other men strangled when parachute suspension lines became entangled around their necks.

The fifth victim died of a scalp laceration, Breault said. The officer said Pfc. Alvinzo L. Martinez, Santa Fe, N.M., suffocated when a three-tooth upper front denture lodged in the paratrooper's windpipe while he was being dragged along the ground by his wind-filled parachute. He called it a freak accident.

Bank Robbery Charged In Indictment

PORTLAND — A federal indictment Wednesday charged Hubert McClelland, 32, Vancouver, Wash., with the \$2,800 robbery of a bank here last Feb. 21.

McClelland was charged with holding up the Livestock-Kenton Branch of the First National Bank of Portland here.

Police arrested him moments after the robbery in a car. Also arrested was a woman who was behind the wheel.

The woman, who identified herself as Nadine Wolcott, told authorities she did not know a robbery was taking place. The federal grand jury cleared her Wednesday.

The woman's husband, Carol Wolcott, Springfield, Mo., earlier pleaded guilty to a charge of entering the bank with intent to commit robbery.

First Alumina Shipment Expected At The Dalles

PORTLAND — The first commercial shipment of alumina for the Harvey Aluminum plant at The Dalles is expected to arrive here early Saturday.

Aboard the steamship Lake Burnaby will be 1,450 tons of alumina processed in Japan from bauxite mined in the Dutch East Indies.

A trial shipment of 200 tons was brought in and dumped into barges for the trip upriver to The Dalles two weeks ago.

This time the alumina is to be unloaded into rail cars. The next shipment is expected to be 6,000 tons later this month.

Lovers' Lane Bandit Gets Six Years In Pen

PORTLAND — Albert F. McBe, 26, Portland's Lovers' Lane bandit, Wednesday was sentenced to six years in prison.

He pleaded guilty last month to a charge of armed robbery. Sentencing was delayed while the state Board of Probation and Parole checked background.

McBe admitted robbing couples who were parked late at night along Skyline Boulevard in Portland's west hills.

One young woman told police that he forced her to expose her leg while he snapped a picture.

Woman To Return To U.S. To Face Murder Charge

NAHA, Okinawa — A U. S. Okinawan court cleared the way Thursday for Mrs. Madelyn Hitt, American mother accused of strangling her 6-week-old baby, to be sent to the United States on a transport Saturday.

Judge Roy Morgan recently ordered the Plymouth, Mich., woman sent to Washington to be tried on a murder warrant there.

She is accused of strangling and burying her baby and trying to make it appear that the baby had been kidnapped.



SCIENCE WINNERS — Bruce Hanford, Holly Aumack and Jorgen Fowler, left to right, students of Fullerton School, were winners in the Northwest Science Exhibit last week in Corvallis, Principal Lyle Eddy announced. All were first-place winners in a recent regional fair. Miss Aumack, 7-year-old first grade daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Aumack, exhibited "The World in Space," winning second prize in the primary division. Young Hanford, 11, a sixth grader and son of Dr. and Mrs. Roy Hanford, placed his clay models of the interior and exterior views of the human heart in the intermediate division and won second prize. Young Fowler received an honorable mention in the intermediate division for his novel entry, "The Petroleum Tree." An 11-year-old fifth grader, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fowler. (Paul Jenkins)

Public Welfare Caseworkers At Eugene Session

Douglas County Public Welfare Department caseworkers are attending the Oregon State Conference on Social Welfare at Eugene today and tomorrow.

Approximately ten case workers went to Eugene in two vehicles, Mrs. Lois Baker, welfare administrator, said. Keynote speaker at the conference is Mrs. Sally DeWitt, author, researcher, caseworker, consultant and lecturer at the University of California School of Social Welfare.

She is scheduled to speak on "What Price Social Welfare?" at a dinner session tonight. Friday, Gov. Robert Holmes is scheduled to speak at a luncheon and Mrs. Cara Bamford, president of the organization, will give the opening address.

The next two general sessions will be panel presentations on "The Legislative Process" and "Community Social Action." The final session will be a summation. Conference participants have been chosen from the fields of social welfare — labor, the judiciary, state government, education and civic organizations.

Reinforcements Relieve Besieged Aden Garrison

ADEN — Reinforcements relieved a besieged British garrison on the Yemeni border Wednesday night after fighting their way through tough rebel resistance.

The British army announced the British-officered Adenese troops moved under rebel fire from their hilltop position two miles from surrounded Ft. Assarir.

The announcement made no mention of casualties.

The British had reported that a dozen troops in the relief column were wounded in the earlier advance. British Shackletons helped clear the way to the final jump-off point with half-ton bombs.

SHIP BOMBED, SUNK

OAKLAND, Calif. — The Colocous Steamship Co. said Wednesday it was advised in a telephone call from Lloyds of London that one of its ships was bombed and sunk Monday by Indonesian rebels outside the harbor of Amboina.

The company said it was told that 21 men out of a crew of 33 had been rescued.

The vessel was the Aquila, sailing out of Genoa with an Italian crew under the Panamanian flag.

Court Test Due On Fishing Rights On Columbia

THE DALLES — A court test is due May 15 of what Indians say is their right to fish in the Columbia River.

Two Indians, who live here, were arrested and charged with using sturgeon set lines in a closed season in the Columbia.

Charged were Sharon Reed and Leo Hoptowitz. They are scheduled to appear in justice of the Peace Court here May 15. Another man, Thomas Jefferson Merrill, also faces the charge.

Reed and Hoptowitz said they contend that the treaty of 1855 gives Indians perpetual fishing rights in the Columbia.

Millions of dollars recently were paid to several tribes for fishing rights destroyed by government dams.

Agreements also have been reached with Oregon and Washington to allow Indians to use dipnets in certain portions of the river. The Indians have said, though, the latter agreements apply only to salmon.

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group of military ineffectiveness. Eisenhower told his news conference he is not rigid about the wording of any defense reorganization bill.

But he said it would be all wrong to change the basic principles of the plan he sent to Congress.

While the President was stating his views, the proposal continued under fire in a hearing before the House Armed Services Committee. Influential members of that group oppose its concentration of authority in the office of the secretary of defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Just before the news conference opened Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, Army chief of staff, conceded in the hearing that the plan could reduce the civilian secretaries of the individual armed services to the status of flunkies.

Eisenhower said every single concession possible to make toward the individual pride and morale of each of the services had been made before he submitted his program.

Critics of the reorganization plan were arguing that the Pentagon is in need of more efficient operation.

Renewal of that contention grew out of testimony by Gen. Taylor Tuesday that he still has not received orders changing the chain of command over multiservice forces. Eisenhower announced the change April 3.

Unused School Yield 50 Slots

HILLSBORO — Sheriff's deputies stormed into an unused school building late Wednesday night and confiscated 50 slot machines.

The raid was carried out after a tip by a fisherman who saw the slots being carried into the old Meachem School in North Plains, near here.

The fisherman, whose identity was not disclosed, told authorities the hay-covered slots were brought to the school on a truck. Several hours later, Sheriff R. H. Busch and deputies, armed with a search warrant, raided the school.

Dist. Atty. Francis Linklater said the deputies saw the slots through a window, opened it and went into the building.

Linklater said he will ask the court immediately for permission to destroy the machines. The slots, he said, were nickel, dime, quarter and 50-cent machines.

LOW BID TOLD

PORTLAND — The Portland General Electric Co. Wednesday reported a low bid of \$229,500 for electrical construction work at its North Ford-Faraday hydroelectric project on the Clackamas River, 35 miles southeast of Portland.

The low bid was by Midway Electric Co., St. Helens.

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