

## WHITE HOUSE NEWS PROBED

Unauthorized Stories Draw Presidential Wrath; Scribes Protest

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—The White House today was conducting an investigation into the sources of several published news stories which did not come through official channels.

The inquiry centered particularly on a story concerning President Hoover's sudden departure from his Rapidan camp on Sunday and was directed at secret service men and newspaper reporters assigned to the White House.

The attitude of the White House, as expressed today, was that any stories concerning the president, or the White House, should come through regular official channels.

In this way, it was explained, all the newspapermen would receive the same news at the same time. It was said at the White House that such a system was not considered a censorship.

The story which first aroused executive ire told how Mr. Hoover ordered his car and departed quickly for the capital leaving secret service men and other White House attaches to scramble for hastily summoned automobiles.

**Lunch Sent After In Speedy Machine**  
The story related of a hastily prepared lunch sent after the chief executive in a fast car which caught up with him 30 miles away.

It also told of how the chief executive made the run from Camp Rapidan to Washington in two hours and a half. The distance is slightly over 100 miles, and part of the trip was over a narrow country road.

Individual secret service operatives attached to the White House who were at the camp have been questioned concerning how the facts reached the reporters. Several newspapermen assigned to cover the White House have been approached by investigators.

Chief Moran of the United States secret service called at the White House yesterday and held a long conference with Lawrence Richey, one of the president's secretaries. Richey was at one time a detective.

**Reporters Left Behind at Camp**

Five newspaper correspondents who cover the Rapidan camp were informed over the telephone Sunday that the president would leave at 2 o'clock. He left at 1:35 and the reporters arrived in Washington 40 minutes after the president.

Throughout the week-end the utmost secrecy was maintained as to what was taking place at the camp. Efforts of reporters to talk with Richey, the only secretary at the camp, were futile.

Richey left two messages with marine officers. One was that everyone had arrived safely and the other contained the misinformation concerning the time the president would leave for Washington.

President Hoover considers the Rapidan camp a private retreat to which he can go without having the glare of publicity beating down on him.

The source of a story reporting an incident in the White House in which President Hoover sent word to a carpenter, who was hammering over his head while he was trying to take a short nap that, "a moratorium had been declared on noise" also is being investigated.

**Joelin Asked to Explain Inquiry**

Domestic servants at the White House are being questioned and a reporter has been called on the telephone and asked how he got the story.

At a press conference today, correspondents asked Theodore Joelin, the secretary who generally handles White House news, to please explain why the investigation was being conducted.

Joelin said that over the past two or three weeks ten of fifteen stories concerning the White House had been printed which did not come through the official sources. He said the investigation was to find out where they did come from.

A number of correspondents, some of whom have been covering the White House for 20 years, protested the investigation and the attitude of the White House that all presidential news comes through one source.

## CONTRACT JANITOR SERVICE UP AGAIN

The question of contract janitor service for the state capital buildings was renewed at the board of control meeting Thursday when a letter from the American Building Maintenance company was presented declaring a saving could be effected to the state of about \$16,000 for the remainder of the biennium. The latter stated Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss, was in error in his interpretation of cost comparisons. Hoss had stated that the contract service would add to the cost rather than effect a saving.

The statement of M. Distler, representative of the company, in his letter, emphasized that no salaries would be reduced, and that as many of the present staff would be retained as possible. In computing the saving the company stated it used the figures of the secretary of state and his auditor.

The letter was referred to Hoss for further investigation, and the secretary of state announced he would go into the matter further and report back to the board. The secretary of state is custodian of the buildings and the janitor service comes under his jurisdiction.

## FOIL FAKE ANTIQUE DEALERS



Dealers in fake antiques are going to have a lot more trouble with Uncle Sam. The postoffice department moved to put an end to the practice of mailing antiques to interior ports where no expert examiners are stationed. Ten "ports of artistic antiquities" were designated, to which must be sent all imports purporting to evade tariff by coming in as antiques. Above, one of the inspectors at San Francisco.

## Rudy Vallee Home Lover; The Missus to Quit Films And Cook for Him, Plans

By HAZEL REAVIS  
NEW YORK, July 9.—(AP)—Rudy Vallee's feminine public has been handed a home lover to replace the vagabond article.

That side of him came uppermost on Monday when he married Fay Webb of Santa Monica, Cal., quietly, that the newspapers didn't learn of it until yesterday.

The home where Rudy's wandering slippers are already at rest under the edge of one of a pair of twin beds, is a cozy little affair on the west side of Central park.

There are eight rooms and seven radios. The bathroom has none.

There Mrs. Vallee, Betty to her dearest friends, will rule her world just as effectively as her musician husband rules his famous orchestra.

For her the biggest part of that world will be the temperamental Rudy, fair-haired, blue-eyed Yale man who put the word croon into the musical dictionary and wrote his own biography for the screen and book publishers under the title "Vagabond Dreams. Come True."

"I'm not jealous of Rudy's feminine public," Mrs. Vallee said proudly in the course of her first interview with newspaper folk and camera men. "I never have been jealous and I never will be."

Then she added: "If Rudy can behave while I'm away out in California, why, I guess he can behave while I'm right here. I regard him as just an ordinary man."

Rudy himself, surrounded by reporters, explained several times that his popularity had nothing to do with his state of single blessedness. He does not expect his great fan public to throw him down just because he married.

As for why they got married, the pretty brunette from California said: "I was lonely out in California and so was Rudy. Anyway telephone calls cost so much."

Mrs. Vallee is a tall, slender girl of 23, with wide brown eyes and a straight little nose, little just enough. She was heavily made up for her camera and press interview, so much so that Rudy explained to the reporters:

"She may look a little theatrical now, but Betty is really just a home girl. She's not going to do any more moving picture work. She's a domestic little person and can cook—although," he added hastily, "I haven't eaten any of her cooking yet."

His marriage must not interfere with his work for his contracts won't permit it. So there will be no honeymoon.

A little later, two years at least, according to Mrs. Vallee, there may be additions to the family circle.

"We intend to have children."

## Newest Pair of Siamese Twins Are Cut Apart

BALTIMORE, July 9.—(AP)—Twin baby girls who were linked together at birth were separated here by a surgical operation declared to be without parallel in local records.

Indications were the operation was a success, but another will be needed, it was said by Dr. Kyle Golley, who with Doctors E. P. Smith and D. E. Pessagno, performed the operation at Mercy hospital.

"They were just as bright as ever this afternoon," Dr. Golley said, but he would not predict that they would live. The case of the so-called Siamese twins was similar but they were joined at the back and these at the abdomen.

## AUTOMOBILE TRUNK INDUSTRY PLANNED

Accessories Will Be Made In Byberg Machine Shop At Silverton, Word

SILVERTON, July 9.—This city is virtually assured of a new business enterprise for the manufacture of collapsible automobile trunks, according to an announcement released here last night. The reports state that a company of Portland and Silverton men, including J. Byberg, local inventor and manufacturer, had tentatively arranged to manufacture the auto accessory. Production would begin in the near future, it is said.

Negotiations for the manufacture of the trunks here were set in motion last January, and since that time patent rights have been obtained from a Portlander. Decision to build the trunks here came when the advantages of the Byberg machine shop was explained: it being equipped with one of the few punch and drawing presses on the Pacific coast. An electrical clothes washing machine, a walnut scrubber, and a pump washer are now being manufactured here. Many of the machines are used in the valley. At present the plant has 4500 square feet of floor space.

A number of minor matters were discussed at a closed meeting Wednesday morning, and it is thought that the way will soon be clear for the filing of incorporation papers. To comply with the terms of the contract, which he and his associates would receive, Mr. Byberg would be required to build and deliver 2000 trunks to the owners of the patent rights, at the rate of 150 a month.

As it is now planned, the trunk will retail at \$55. It will contain many new and unique features, it is said, and will be serviceable to the farmer as well as the tourist. One of the first steps in production, Mr. Byberg said yesterday, would be to commence the creation of many special dies. About \$1000 worth of new machinery will be required, and it is understood that financial arrangements for this have been made.

## REACHES HONOLULU

SILVERTON, July 9.—Word has been received of the safe arrival in Honolulu of Miss Olive Banks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Banks of Silverton. Miss Banks is on the Washington State college Hawaiian summer school session tour.

## Under the Dome...

Occurrences and Gossip at the center of Oregon's state government

WEDNESDAY a meeting at the state capitol reduced the taxes in the state by 20 per cent and yesterday another group not only prevented the 15 per cent increase in freight rates but reduced them even more. That is the way the story would read if the movements started are just through to a successful conclusion.

At any rate shippers over the state organized to combat the request of railroads for the rate increase. Charles M. Thomas, utilities commissioner, was elected president of the new group with A. P. Harvey as secretary. Hearings in the west by the Interstate Commerce Commission was one of the requests which will be made.

Thomas conducted the shippers meeting which he called, with his coat off. O. C. Huie, master of the state garage, also had his coat off and worked hard on the resolutions that the session approved. Others present at the session wished they had taken off their coats or had on clean shirts.

"Hoss votes no—motion is carried." That is the way much state board of control is conducted these days. Rufus Holman presents a resolution, Hal E. Hoss protests it and votes no. Governor Meier then says the "motion is carried" without a single affirmative vote even being officially cast.

The monthly session of the board of control yesterday voted to eliminate farming except for reformatory or curative employment, as well as to propose investigation of building at the tuberculosis hospital. A committee of experts will investigate the tuberculosis hospital situation with a view of working out a unit system in construction there.

Governor Meier reaffirmed his resolve to call a special session of the state legislature sometime in August, in a statement yesterday. He was pleased with the progress made by the tax session Wednesday and he expects to call another session as soon as the executive committee, headed by Leslie Scott of Portland, outlines procedure.

A special session would solve the news slack customary during August, but it is stated it will be a "hot" session. The proposed session would last from three days to a week, it is believed. Several vacancies would have to be filled if a full session convenes. Representatives Mott of Marion, and Lawrence of Benton have resigned and Swift, of Baker died since the last session.

## NO DEBT REVISION IS CONTEMPLATED

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—The Hoover administration reaffirmed Wednesday its adherence to the integrity of the inter-allied war debt agreements.

Acting Secretary Castle of the state department said President Hoover's plan for a one year's moratorium on inter-governmental payments contemplated no revision of debt payment agreements.

In giving a chronological summary of the discussions leading to the president's plan Castle had said several different possibilities for world economic relief were in the chief executive's mind as early as May 11.

He added that among these was a possible reexamination of the capacity of all debtor nations to pay their obligations in view of the world-wide depression and a possible scaling down of payments.

"I should like to make it quite clear," he said today in formal statement, "that the president has at no time proposed or considered any permanent revision of foreign debt settlements."

## CARE OF CHILDREN ON VACATION TOLD

Should Have at Least Three Glasses of Unflavored Water; Boil Milk

Mothers taking their children on vacations must see that they drink three or four glasses of unflavored water each day, and no milk should be given to them which is not boiled.

Joining with the Children's Bureau of Washington, the Education committee of the Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical society and the Marion-Polk-Yamhill Dental society in a bulletin today declares that during the summer months the use of fresh vegetables and fruits will help keep children in good health.

"In planning vacations, be sure that the house to which you are going is clean and well screened and that the milk and water supplies are safe," declares the joint bulletin of the Medical and Dental society and the Children's Bureau. "If traveling to a place where typhoid may be, have the children inoculated. Do not let the children drink water from roadside springs, or other sources not known to be safe. For short excursions carry safe water with you. Boil all drinking water not known definitely to be safe."

"See that the child drinks three or four glasses of cool unflavored water daily. Fresh fruit, orangeade and lemonade and tomato juice may be given also, but tea, coffee, and some bottled drinks contain a stimulant which children should not have."

"Use no raw milk. If pasteurized milk is unavailable, boil the raw milk. For children under two years all milk must be boiled. Keep cold and well covered."

"Do not buy food for children from street carts or from counters where it has been exposed to dirt and dust and flies."

"Give the child plenty of fresh, green, leafy vegetables, and ripe, fresh fruits. Be sure that those to be eaten raw are washed in water known to be safe. Children over 18 months may have meat or fish and a few eggs."

"Every child should be outdoors five to six hours daily, except on rainy or very windy days. In the hottest weather children should stay in the shade during the middle of the day."

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## Postal Meters Installed in 2 Salem Offices

Installation of two postal meter machines in the secretary of state's office and one in the Ladd and Bush bank has recently been completed. First class mail is now dispatched without stamps, the state offices and the bank leasing the machines from the manufacturing company.

Uncle Sam requires prepayment on all postage with the result that a \$100 meter is obtained to load the machine. Each time an envelope is metered the amount of postage used is recorded. A considerable saving in time is reported by the offices using the machines, together with some economy in stamps used due to the fact that there is no shrinkage for private use in the office.

## Dr. Frank Brown Aids Scout Work

Dr. Frank E. Brown, former Salem resident now with the American Medical association of Vienna, has sent a check to A. C. Haag, president of the executive council of Boy Scouts in Polk and Marion counties, to be applied to work of scouting, Mr. Haag said yesterday.

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the bride said.

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