

New County Juvenile Chief Says He's 'Not Guy With Badge'

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The sign on the door no longer reads Probation Officer. Now it says Chief Juvenile Counselor.

This change of door lettering sums up the attitude of Dr. James H. Ashbaugh, Marion County's new head of the juvenile department. "I'm not a guy with a badge," 39-year-old Ashbaugh said. "We're trying to get away from the idea that we are law enforcement officers. We're here to help treat children."

Ashbaugh, a tall, husky pipe smoker, easy-going but intent, took his post here Sept. 1 after four years as Benton County's juvenile counselor. He succeeded Mrs. Nona White who held the job some 30 years.

Has Varied Background

The county's new juvenile counselor has a varied background which he has found helpful in his work.

He attended Los Angeles Junior College, transferring to the University of Nevada where he received his bachelor of science and master's degree in biology.

At Oregon State College Ashbaugh took his doctorate in education, specializing in child counseling. He has taught biology in high school and college and served in the field artillery during World War II.

"I want to put the juvenile department on a professional counseling basis," Ashbaugh said, "and plan to pattern it after Multnomah and Lane Counties."

Modest About Plans

Ashbaugh is modest about his plans and ideas for the department and readily admits that he's picked up many of them from other juvenile systems.

But he's got some ideas of his own too. Some of them he doesn't want to publicize until he's had a chance to get the feel of the job here.

One of Ashbaugh's first moves was to start standardizing the department's filing system and have needed forms printed.

Two procedures which the counselor is emphasizing are the use of careful and complete case histories of each youngster and personality and intelligence tests.

Best Decision Possible

"One of our big jobs is to help Judge Joseph Felton (Judge of Marion County Juvenile Court) make the best decision possible for the betterment of the child. One way of doing this is to give him a thorough report about each case."

Case histories cover a lot of ground. Information is gathered from the family, friends, teachers, police and in interviews with the child himself. Ashbaugh's department makes a recommendation to the judge at the end of each case history.

Ashbaugh plans to teach his current staff of three counselors how to administer the personality and intelligence tests. The staffers include Mrs. Jo-Allen Bradley, Jerry Brown and Kirk Mulder. Office secretary is Mrs. Lorraine Johnson.

Another recent step by the juvenile department is the setting up of a foster home in Salem with the co-operation of the County Welfare Department.

Temporary Home

The home is run by a man and wife who have agreed to take in dependent and neglected youngsters and give them a temporary home. Ashbaugh explained that these children are not delinquents.

Ashbaugh believes in handling as many juvenile delinquents out of court as possible.

"They get hardened to court after a couple of times and court loses its effectiveness," he said. The counselor explained there is no legal authority for handling juveniles out of court and that it must be done on a co-operative basis between himself and the child.

"We want people to come in here with their problems and ask for help and counsel. If we can't give a hand, then we'll refer them to the right people."

"If we can help youngsters keep out of trouble then we're doing our job."

EDWARD NALLY DIES

BRONXVILLE, N.Y. — Edward Julian Nally, 94, a telegraph messenger boy who became the first president of the Radio Corp. of America, died Tuesday.

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Timber Sales Assistants Get Assignments

Appointment of Darald A. Andrews and William C. Wagner as timber sales assistants at Forest Grove and Astoria have been announced by State Forester George Spaur.

Andrews, a veteran of World War II and a management graduate of the forestry school at the University of Idaho, will be assigned to the timber sales section of the state district at Forest Grove. Major duties will be cruising and management work in the Tillamook burn.

Wagner is a graduate of the school of forestry at Michigan State College and also a veteran of World War II. Spaur said Wagner would be timber sales assistant on the newly formed 140,000 acre sustained yield Clatsop State Forest. He will share office space in the Clatsop County courthouse at Astoria.

Both foresters have had experience in cruising, timber surveys and general forestry work, Spaur said.

Cabinet Aide Says Business Future Bright

NEW YORK (AP)—Walter Williams, undersecretary of commerce said the outlook for business "for the foreseeable future" is such as to inspire confidence in the American people.

Williams spoke to about 300 members of the Sales Executive Club at a luncheon in the Hotel Roosevelt. The meeting was devoted to a discussion of "Why I'm Not Afraid" of the business future.

Citing 10 reasons why he did not fear the future, former Seattle investment banker, said there is "no great reason to measure the foreseeable future by other than sober, quiet confidence."

However, he cautioned against using "rose-colored glasses" to view the future, particularly with reference to the possibility of an "unpredictable turn of events in the 'cold war'."

Williams cited as reasons for confidence the current strength of the economy, population growth, the demand for new products by the public, more effective sales promotion, research and new discoveries particularly in the fields of electronics, color television and atomic power and the diversity of our economy.

Pole Fails in Escape Try

SEOUL (AP)—A South Korean intelligence source said Wednesday that a Polish member of a neutral nations inspection team recently tried unsuccessfully to break from Red control at Kangnung where a Polish interpreter of the same team asked for a received U.S. political asylum.

The source said the attempt was made a week ago but failed because of the watchfulness of Communist members of the team.

There was no immediate confirmation of the incident from any other Allied sources.

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Russ Military Production of Planes Tallied

WASHINGTON (AP)—The technical trade magazine, Aviation Age, reports that Russia produced 18,210 military planes in 1952, including 10 long-range heavy bombers of the B36 type.

The magazine said its secret sources in Europe identified the Russian output as 10,000 fighters and fighter bombers, 1,800 medium bombers, 1,400 troop carrier transports and 5,000 trainers and general purpose aircraft.

It said Russia had assigned 14 heavy bombers, known as the TUG 75 or the type 3178, to operational Red air force units by last March 31, and planned to produce 400 in 1953 "although it is doubtful the goal will be reached."

The big bomber has six turbo-prop engines—jet engines driving propellers.

Aviation Age said the plane is capable of reaching the "heart of industrial America and returning to Russian bases without in-flight refueling."

Air Force Secretary Talbott said in an address here Aug. 22 that Russia has a heavy turbo-prop bomber, comparable to the B36, capable of launching an immediate atomic attack on any part of Europe or the United States.

The Air Force declines to make public figures on its own strength or an estimated enemy air strength.

The Aircraft Industries Association has reported that U. S. airplane production in 1952 totaled 12,500 aircraft, including 9,000 military planes, and has estimated 1953 production at 16,500 planes, including 12,000 military craft.

Brazil Slates Women's Naval Auxiliary Corps

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP)—The Brazilian navy is going ahead with its plans for creating a women's auxiliary similar to the "Waves" of the United States.

Navy Minister Renato Guillobel has named a new commission to prepare plans for the establishment of the women's corps. An earlier commission, appointed last year, was dissolved after encountering stiff opposition from within the navy itself.

Ike Asks U.S. Send Clothing to East Germany

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower asked Americans Tuesday to follow up with warm winter clothing the government's gifts of food to distressed residents of Communist-occupied East Germany.

Unlike the government-financed food gifts, the clothing donations would be made by individual citizens through existing private relief agencies. The President expressed confidence that Americans "will contribute generously."

Some relief agencies already are carrying on extensive relief work in Germany. They include Church World Service, a Protestant organization; the War Relief Services of the National Catholic Welfare Council; and the American Friends Service Committee.

Meat Output Keeps Rising

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agriculture Department reported Tuesday that meat production under federal inspection last week was the largest weekly output since last January.

It totalled 378 million pounds, an increase of 29 per cent over the previous week and 20 per cent above production in the corresponding week a year ago.

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