

Man's Offer of Eye to Blinded Ex-Athlete Declined as Futile

An offer of one of his eyes by a Eugene man so that former baseball player and athlete Chester A. Johnson, of Turner might see again, was deemed impossible by the Portland physician attending the case.

In a letter to Kenneth J. Culp Sr., Eugene, Dr. Merrill J. Reeh, M.D., explained that, "Unfortunately, no one will ever be able to restore his (Johnson's) sight."

Court Martial Arrest Shocks Dickensons

(Story also on page one.)

CRACKER'S NECK, Va. (U) — "Oh, my God! Why did they want these other boys back if they were going to court martial him?"

That was the shocked reaction Friday night of the mother of Cpl. Ed Dickensons to the news that the 23-year-old ex-war prisoner, who first rejected repatriation in Korea and then accepted it, had been arrested for court martial.

"I don't understand what he could have done to any of them boys," said Mrs. Van Buren Dickensons. "The little fellow is sick. He's been spitting up blood. If they are going to punish him, why didn't they do it over there (in Korea)?"

"This worry will kill us all," Dickensons' father exploded. "He's no more Communist than I am."

"If they will let me take his punishment, they can call me and I'll be glad to do it for him. . . anyone that will take a little boy from the mountains and punish him for three years (in a POW camp), it's too much for anyone."

"I don't care if I die. I've been here a long time."

(Cpl. Dickensons faces a possible death sentence, if convicted.) The elder Dickensons is 78. He and his wife were reached by a reporter for the Bristol (Va.) Herald-Courier, J. S. Riley, who made his way to this remote mountain community from Big Stone Gap, six miles away.

Former News Reporter Dies

PORTLAND (U) — Frank E. Loomis, 63, reporter for the Oregon Journal from 1945 to 1952, when ill health forced his retirement, died Saturday from cancer. Previously

State Seasonal Work Decline Not Overcome

Increases in trade, service and governmental employment during December were not sufficient to overcome seasonal declines in lumber, food processing and construction, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission reported here Saturday.

Estimates showed 458,800 non-agricultural workers, a drop of 4,800 from November and 7,100 fewer than listed a year ago. The number of jobs was 30,000 less than counted last summer but remained 18,000 above the low of last winter.

While cannery employment dropped to 6,000 last month, the figure was 1,200 higher than a year before. Transportation equipment manufacturing, which includes ship repairing, also was above last winter's total by 700 but declined 600 from November. Metals, textiles, paper products, utilities and whole sale trade jobs were slightly lower than either the previous month or the previous year.

5,000 Fewer Jobs
About 5,000 fewer jobs were counted in logging and lumber than in November or December, 1952, but the drop was not as severe as many had expected. Although about 42 per cent of the insured claimants were from Oregon's main industry, the proportion has been higher in other winter periods. Heavy construction also dropped considerably but other building activities held up well.

The estimated 21,700 jobs in construction was slightly under previous periods. **63,395 Idle Workers**
Unemployment as measured by claims and the number of active job seekers exceeded all post-war winters except in 1949-50. Estimated number of idle workers actively in the labor market jumped to 63,395 as the new year opened, compared with 44,974 the year before. Of these, 3,208 were in agriculture and 15,118 in other non-covered lines. Claimants asking compensation increased steadily to a four-year high of 43,658 in mid-January but the winter peak was expected to remain well under the post-war top of 64,556 in February, 1950.

Dr. Reeh wrote to Culp: "It is through kindness and consideration to your fellow man that our world is made a better place to live. Please keep on thinking how to help the unfortunate. Such Christian spirit will certainly be rewarded by God's blessings."

he had worked for the Vancouver, Wash., Sun and the Belvidere, Ill. Republican. The widow, Suzanne, survives.

2-Span Plan For Columbia May Change

PORTLAND (U) — Plans for a second bridge across the Columbia River between here and Vancouver probably will be changed to overcome the objections of Army Engineers.

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, told the Oregon Highway Commission Thursday that the Army, which has authority over navigable waters, considers the present bridge a navigation hazard and feels that duplication of the span 36 feet downstream would make things even worse.

He said that as a result it may be necessary to raise the old bridge and change the proposed structure of the new one at an added cost of two million dollars to the \$11,000,000 estimated earlier.

The commission approved Baldock's recommendation that the plans be changed provided the federal government is willing to pay for changes on the present bridge.

Motion to Free Baney Denied

LITTLETON, Colo. (U) — Dis. Judge Harold H. Davies dismissed Friday a defense motion for a directed verdict of acquittal for John H. Baney, 32, merchant seaman from Salem, Ore., who is accused of killing a Denver woman.

In Baney's trial an FBI laboratory technician testified Friday that human hair found in Baney's car matched that of Mrs. Dorothy H. Gall, 36, who died Sept. 29 after telling police her escort had raped and beaten her.

The FBI technician also said bloodstains in the car were of the same type as Mrs. Gall's.

The defense put in an assertion the woman died after she was given a stimulant at an Englewood hospital.

Jaycees to Meet At Louisville

SEATTLE (U) — The 1955 national convention of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce will be held at Louisville, Ky., it was announced Saturday by Dain Domich of Tulsa, president.

The convention will be in January, at a date still to be set. Domich is here to preside Saturday at an awards banquet honoring the nation's 10 outstanding young men, selected by the Junior Chamber as symbolic of the strength and future of the country.

Jumps to Death



WASHINGTON, D. C.—An amateur photographer took this picture just as William Walter Failey, about 50, of Washington, D. C., jumped to his death from the roof of a 3-story hotel at Phoenix, Ariz. A friend on the roof had tried to talk Failey out of the leap. The photographer was Walter D. Bolton, who spotted the dramatic rooftop scene from an office building window across the street. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Vaccinations to Combat Chronic Sinus Trouble Work for Some People

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE
AP Science Reporter

NEW YORK (U) — Vaccinations against chronic sinus trouble work for some people, a medical team reports after years of study.

The vaccine treatment banished the sinus trouble in four persons for as long as three to 18 years. It improved others, sometimes immensely, but failed in two cases.

The method uses a vaccine prepared from the types of bacteria found in the sinuses, Dr. Hugh M. Kinghorn, Dr. George E. Wilson and Morris Dworsky, B. S., of Saranac Lake, N. Y., write in the American Medical Association's Archives of Otolaryngology.

Bacteria recovered from the sinuses are identified and grown in pure cultures. From these are prepared a sterile solution containing the germs, and a filtrate or solution of the liquid in which they were grown.

Each patient is tested with tiny injections first to learn whether he is sensitive to the vaccine and filtrate. Only those who show sensitivity—such as a red wheal rising from an injection of dilute vaccine—are likely to benefit.

Many Injections
Treatment consists of repeated injections under the skin of vaccine and filtrate, starting with small doses which are gradually increased. Injections are given about once a week for four to six months, and another series may be given later. Filtrates also are put directly into the sinuses.

Of 16 persons treated for chronic sinus disease, six were cured—showed no signs of trouble after the treatment ended, the physicians said. Four of them have stayed free for up to 18 years, while two relapsed.

Eight other patients were improved, seven to a great degree, and four have remained permanently improved. Two of the 16 failed to benefit.

Vaccination against chronic nasal catarrh, done in the same manner, ended the catarrh in four patients, and they have stayed free of trouble for six to 13 years. Two more were improved, with one of other causes. A seventh person failed to improve with the vaccinations.

Germs Traced
Staphylococci germs were always found in both sinus trouble and nasal catarrh, the physicians said. Streptococci germs were

found and given with the vaccines in four of the cases of sinus disease.

One patient was a clerk whose treatment started in 1943. He had had chronic sinus disease for 29 years, suffering with a heavy discharge from the nose. The treatments almost completely cleared up his trouble, and the next winter he had no head colds for the first time in years. He has remained much improved.

A nurse whose treatment started in 1934 was so bothered by sinus, she had to spend her winters in Arizona. The vaccinations completely cleared up her trouble, and she now stays in her home state of New York. When she gets a head cold, it lasts only the usual length of time and doesn't affect the sinuses.

Burglar Uses Wrong Entrance

FRANKFORT, Ind. (U) — The sign that said, "through these doors pass the world's finest people," came down from Don Seager's corner tavern at Mulberry Thursday.

Seager yanked it down in disgust

Coffee Price Jump Study Authorized

WASHINGTON (U) — Congress was asked Friday to authorize the Senate Banking Committee to find out why coffee prices have jumped.

A resolution introduced by Sen. Beall (R-Md) also asked that the committee decide whether legislation or other action is necessary to assure adequate coffee supplies at reasonable prices.

Coffee in some restaurants is selling at 15 cents a cup, and in groceries at one dollar or more a pound.

Colombian Ambassador Eduardo Zuleta-Angel said the frost that hit Brazil last July seems to have destroyed more of the coffee crop than was expected.

The ambassador said he could find no evidence that market manipulation or speculation is behind the rise.

4 Republicans Lose Formosa Lumber Plea

WASHINGTON (U) — Four Washington Republican representatives reported Friday they had been turned down by the Foreign Operations Office in their request that Canadian firms not be permitted to bid on 7 million board feet of lumber to be given Formosa.

The congressmen—Mack, Tollefson, Pelly and Westland—said in a joint statement that FOA officials advised that Canadian firms would be permitted to bid in the hope of obtaining lower prices.

Mack, spokesman for the group, said the FOA reply "looks to me like a continuation of the overly foreign-minded policies of the Acheson administration which were repudiated by the voters when the Truman-Acheson regime was voted out of office."

He cited government statistics which he said showed the United States imported nearly 2 billion board feet of timber more than it exported last year.

He said this 2 billion board feet, if purchased from U. S. mills, would have provided year-round jobs for 5,000 workers.

"What it amounts to," Mack declared, "is that when we buy foreign timber we are actually exporting the jobs of American workers."

The Washington congressmen had protested the Canadian bids on grounds that the FOA program is financed by taxes from American workers and that purchase of the lumber in the United States would cut down unemployment in the industry.

after finding the tavern had been entered through the front door and about \$400 taken from a safe,

Max Lueddemann Dies at Portland

PORTLAND (U) — Max Lueddemann, 80, who published newspapers at Ashland, Lakeview, Bend and Madras in the 1890's and the early part of this century, died here Friday after a long illness.

He came to Oregon from the South in 1897 and bought the Antelope Herald. In 1900 he founded the Bend Bulletin, and operated it until coming to Portland to enter the real estate business in 1909.

He was an uncle of Hillman Lueddemann, a former president of the Portland Chamber of Com-

merce. Funeral services will be held Monday.

ALL DEAD ON PLANE

HONOLULU (U) — A six-man Army land rescue team early Friday reached the fiercely burning wreckage of a Navy Neptune patrol bomber on a mountain slope and radioed back that all eight men aboard had died.

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