

'Tardy' Fireman Given Suspension

The 10-day suspension of a city fireman who returned Saturday from National Guard summer camp may result in a request to the attorney general for a clarification of the city's policy concerning salary earned off the job by city employees.

Suspended from the department for 10 days effective this morning is Harold L. Maynard, 1288 Eighth St. Fire Chief Ellsworth Smith said Maynard had been suspended for "violation of an order from my office."

The violation involved Maynard's failure to report for duty at the end of a 14-day leave of absence to attend summer camp and his failure to give the department a statement of his military earnings following his return, Chief Smith said. Maynard was to report for duty on Saturday but did not report until Monday, Chief Smith said.

Explains Delay
Maynard explained that his National Guard company did not arrive in Salem until late Saturday afternoon, and that his departure shift was not scheduled to start work until 8 o'clock Tuesday morning. He reported at that time, he said.

The law governing leaves to attend National Guard camp states that the employee will suffer no loss in pay, vacation, sick leave or other benefits, the department chief said, but only 14 days are granted.

An opinion from the city attorney states that the "no loss in salary" clause implies that any salary drawn by a city employee while working off the municipal job counts toward his total month's salary and consequently is deductible from the amount owed to the employee by the city, Smith explained. This was the reason Maynard was asked for a statement of military earnings.

Policy Being Studied
Mayor Alfred Loucks said Thursday night the matter of city policy is being studied and city officials may ask the attorney general's office to request an opinion from the attorney general on the matter.

Two members of the city police department who also took the two weeks' training with the National Guard were paid their full salary by the city. Capt. Harvey L. Latham, executive officer of the department, said the matter had been called to his attention but no action had been taken.

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Mill Workers Claim Offer Of Wage Boost

First "break" in the lumber strike in Salem was reported Thursday with the announcement that Capitol Lumber Co. of Salem had made a "substantial" wage increase offer which had been accepted by the Willamette Valley District Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers.

A spokesman for Salem Local 3050, Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union, said the union anticipates another "break" from Oregon Pulp and Paper Co. as soon as vacations are over there on July 13.

Charles H. Strickland, president of Capitol Lumber Co., said he knew of no "definite" wage increase offer but added that a "working agreement" had been made.

The only walkout here occurred last week when about 200 of the Paper mill's lumber division workers and log boom workers walked off their jobs. Capitol Lumber Co. which also has workers in the same union, was not struck. Union officials did not say what the "substantial offer" of Capitol Lumber Co. was.

WASHINGTON (U)—President and Mrs. Eisenhower walked arm-in-arm through the White House rose garden Thursday on their 38th wedding anniversary.

At the first lady's throat was a pendant of diamonds and white gold — an anniversary gift from her husband.

They walked over to a green iron garden bench and posed for pictures, with Eisenhower displaying a big smile but one that looked almost bashful at times.

His "Mamie" remarked: "We can still grin after 38 years, anyway."

When a cameraman suggested that the President put his arm around her, she laughed aloud, stuck her hand through the crook of his elbow and told him that he was supposed to put his arm around her. The President smiled but didn't comply.

It was warm and humid on the south grounds of the White House Thursday and somebody inquired whether it had been that hot when the President and Mrs. Eisenhower were married in Denver 38 years ago.

Eisenhower exclaimed "Oh, boy" in agreement. His wife said "It was a mighty hot day but you don't feel it out there the way you do now."

More Children Wear Watches

ELGIN, ILL. (INS)—Getting that "first watch" as a present from Mom, Dad, or a favorite relative no longer means waiting until high school graduation.

At least 31.2 per cent, or 780,000 of the 2,500,000 pre-teen and early teen youngsters who'll graduate from the nation's primary schools this June already own watches or will receive them as presents, according to a youth market survey.

The survey notes that presentation of watches as grade school graduation presents has increased at least ten per cent per year in the past ten years, as time-conscious youngsters of 13 and under want watches at an earlier age than ever before.

HST PROGRESSING

KANSAS CITY (U)—Former President Truman, recovering from a major operation, Thursday night was reported "progressing well but slowly."

ROBBER CUTS PHONE

PORTLAND (U)—A gunman obtained \$170 in a tavern holdup in the southeast district here Wednesday. Before leaving he cut the telephone wire.

AMBASSADOR CHOSEN

WASHINGTON (U)—The nomination of Shellen T. Mills, a career diplomat from Portland, as ambassador to Ecuador was approved Thursday by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

WIND WRECKES PLANES

FORT WORTH (U)—A windstorm slammed at Fort Worth's northern edge late Thursday and wrecked 35 to 40 airplanes at a loss of at least 1½ million dollars.

SANITATION SOUGHT

MINEOLA, N. Y. (U)—Referee Francis G. Hooley took under advisement recently a separation suit in which a wife charged that in 12 years of marriage her husband never took a bath. The husband is employed by the Department of Sanitation.

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Deputy Attorney of California 'Walks Off' With Young Son

LONDON (U)—Earl Beatty said Thursday night his 7-year-old stepson, Timothy, has been taken to the United States by California Deputy Attorney General William V. O'Connor.

O'Connor is Timothy's father. The boy's mother is Lady Adelle Beatty, a New Yorker, who married Lord Beatty in 1951 after her marriage to O'Connor was dissolved.

Beatty said O'Connor saw Timothy and Beatty's heir, David, Viscount Borodale, also 7, out with their governess in Hyde Park last Saturday. O'Connor asked the governess if he could take Timothy for tea, Beatty said.

"Booked Out"

"The governess suggested cautiously that he take David as well," Beatty went on. "O'Connor said he would take David out another day. He did go off with Timothy, but when he did not bring the boy home by 6 o'clock, the governess telephoned Claridge's Hotel, where O'Connor said he was staying."

"Claridge's said he had booked out."

"I was sailing off the south of France in a small boat with Lady Adelle at the time, and the governess decided she had better get in touch with my legal adviser, William Rollo."

"But Rollo, too, was in France."

The poor governess was frantic by nightfall.

"On the Sunday she received a cable from O'Connor saying, 'Arrived safely. On our way to California.'"

Back to England

"Rollo got back to England on the Sunday night, learned what had happened and tried in vain to reach me by cable. Not until late on Tuesday night did he finally get contact with me by telephone."

"When Lady Adelle heard what had happened, she was so distressed we could not return to London until today."

"She had custody of Timothy by agreement with O'Connor and the boy visited him in the United States for about two months every summer. I do not know what we are going to do now."

13-Year-Old Solves Channel Problems for Puzzled FCC

ATLANTA (U)—A 13-year-old grammar school boy's plan for solving the problems of television channel assignments has captured the attention of the Federal Communications Commission.

Jay Millard of suburban Brookhaven, an eighth grade pupil, drew up his plan with pencils on lined pages torn from a school notebook.

He submitted it to the FCC in Washington as a "solution" to the commission's many headaches over assigning television channels throughout the nation.

FCC officials announced Thursday that they have received the plan and said the commission's engineering staff will study it.

Jay drafted a completely new table for assigning channels for the whole United States, city-by-city, and he eliminated the intermixture of very high frequency and ultra high frequency channels in any one area.

The intermixture of VHF and UHF channels on the official table has caused many problems for the FCC.

Along with the plan was a letter from Jay which read:

"I have no status, but I decided to see if I could try to end arguments over VHF and UHF."

"Out of 1,581 assignments, there are 618 VHF and 963 UHF channels. Also there are 206 educational assignments, 112 are VHF and 95 are UHF."

"The things which helped me make this was two black lead pencils, one red pencil, a writing pad, and a small but efficient road atlas."

"I hope you think this is satisfactory, but if you don't I take defeat gracefully."

Jay is the son of James H. Millard, a television engineer on the staff of Atlanta's WAGA-TV station.

The surprised father said his son sent the plan to the FCC without his knowledge or suggestions as to its contents. He said the boy "reads a lot of technical information and has heard a lot about the problems of assigning TV channels."

Crash Drops Power Line, Blocks Route

A flat-bed truck tied up traffic west of Salem for a time Thursday evening when it plunged off the road and sheared a power pole causing the 57,000 volt line to drop across the highway, state police reported.

Police said the truck, driven by Howard Walker, apparently had brake failure while going down College Drive and failed to make the turn toward Salem. The vehicle remained upright and Walker apparently escaped injury. He was taken to Salem Memorial Hospital by a passing motorist and released.

Portland General Electric officials said no power outage occurred as a result of the accident.

LARCENY CHARGED

Robert L. Husted, 624 N. Capitol St., was arrested by city police Thursday evening on a district court warrant charging larceny. Police said the charge involved alleged shop lifting in a Salem drug store. Bail was set at \$150.

SUPPORTS RAISED

WASHINGTON (U)—The Agriculture Department announced Thursday that price support rates for 1954 crop wheat will average \$2.24 a bushel nationally instead of \$2.20 minimum average announced at planting time last fall.

WOMAN'S JACKET STOLEN

DALLAS—Carl Dodd of Dallas, reported to state police Thursday night that a woman's jacket, valued at \$35, was stolen from his car around 7 o'clock while the vehicle was parked at the scene of an accident between Salem and Dallas.

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Police Charge Texas Man

City police Thursday evening arrested James Herndon Cline, Ft. Hood, Tex., on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses.

Arresting officers, who picked Cline up at a Salem furniture store, said the charge is in connection with a \$5 check passed at a grocery store here on June 9.

Cline also was questioned about several other checks passed recently in Salem and the surrounding area, police said.

He was lodged in the city jail Thursday night and bail was set at \$2,500.

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