

Burglary Ring Nabbed by FBI

PORTLAND—(AP)—With arrest of two persons at Astoria, Ore., and one at Everett, Wash., Federal Bureau of Investigation officers Thursday reported a total of six persons in custody in connection with jewel burglaries at Tacoma, Wash., and Hollywood, Calif.

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OSC Experts Study Cherries

A new lead on the old problem of how to prevent cherries and prunes from cracking when rain occurs during the ripening period is reported by Dr. W. L. Powers, head of the soils department at Oregon State College. His latest findings have just been submitted in a paper to the magazine Science, with W. B. Bollen, associate bacteriologist, as joint author.

Dr. Powers has been experimenting for some years with boron applications to the soil in cherry and prune orchards, with some promising but inconclusive results. This season he added immersion tests with various chemicals including boron.

Ripe cherries submerged in a boron solution showed much less cracking than those in plain water, but even so 50 per cent cracked in 48 hours, compared with 100 per cent cracks in plain water.

Cherries immersed in a dilute solution of copper sulphate, however, came through the test with no cracking after 48 hours, which first led Dr. Powers to believe some yeast or mold organism might be involved. Careful tests failed to confirm this, however.

Although the season was nearly over, some tests were made on a cherry tree by applying a .1 per cent copper sulphate spray as a protection in advance of a prolonged water spray to simulate rain. Only 1 per cent of the protected fruit cracked compared with 6 per cent on untreated parts of the tree. This type of test is to be tried on a larger scale with prunes.

American railroads use annually more than 6000 tons of weed killers on right-of-way.

Survivors May Apply For Vets' Leave Pay

In the event that a veteran dies after discharge on or after Sept. 1, 1946, and before terminal leave payments have been settled, application for payments may be made by qualified survivors, Mrs. Cora Pirtle, manager of the Lane County Red Cross chapter, said Wednesday. Qualified survivors may make application for payment at the local Red Cross office. Red Cross officials will also give information to survivors as to their status.

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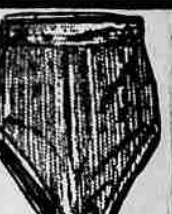
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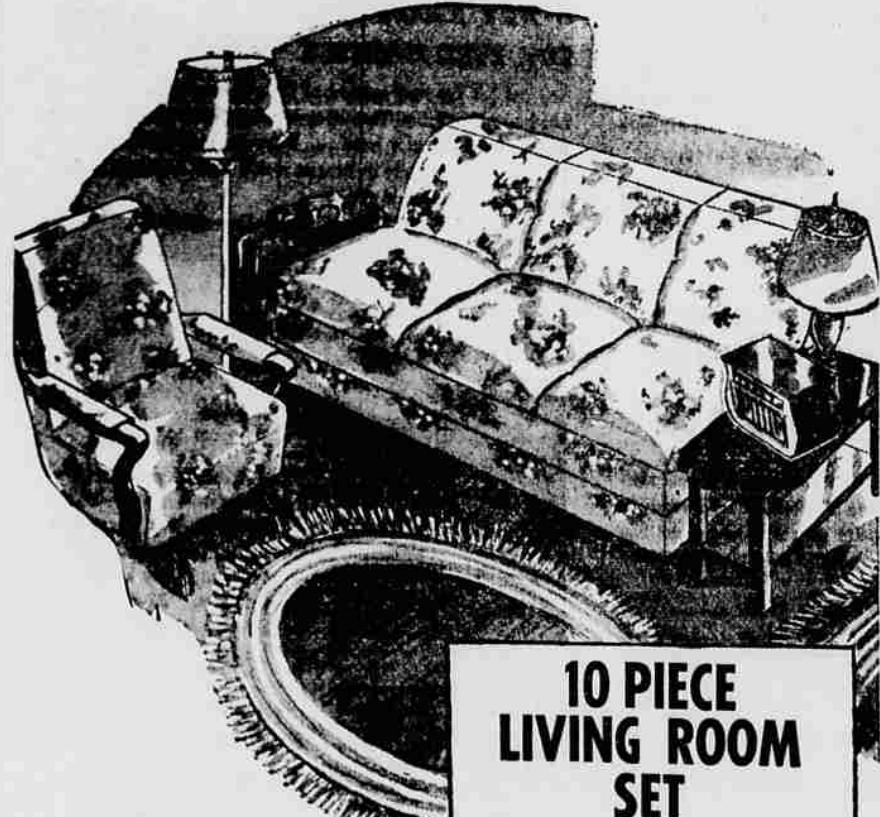
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