

Ban on Political Funds Urged

HOLLYWOOD—AP—Outlawing of compulsory political assessments by labor unions was urged Wednesday by Movie Producer Cecil B. De Mille.

De Mille, who two years ago gave up a \$5000-a-week radio job rather than pay a \$1 union political assessment imposed by the AFL American Federation of Radio Artists, told the annual meeting of the Western Growers Assn.

"If allowed to take hold in the labor movement, these assessments would be one of the strongest weapons in the arsenal of the Communist conspiracy."

He said unions did not resort to political assessments in this year's election because of the fight waged by the De Mille Foundation, which he organized.

Coupling an assertion that he was not anti-labor with a warning that Communism would take over America if industrial peace were not achieved, De Mille advocated to "restore free speech to employers and the right to work to employees, but keep labor's equal right to organize and bargain collectively."

Storm Forces Delay In Removing Bodies

NEWHALL, Cal.—AP—Treacherous White Mountain was snowed by a new storm Tuesday with the bodies of 10 of 11 persons who perished in a Western Air Lines transport plane crash frozen at the Alaskan-like wreck scene.

Efforts to recover the victims were halted Monday when rescuers who started from the mile-high peak with three bodies were forced by the rising storm to abandon two along the trail.

The body brought down was



TITO DANCES—Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia waltzes with Madame Zofia Wendel, wife of the Polish ambassador in Belgrade, at a reception honoring Boleslaw Belut, Polish president.

tentatively identified by a locket around her neck as Stewardess Joan Fauntleroy, 22, of Los Angeles.

A posse of 40 deputy sheriffs from Los Angeles and Ventura Counties who headed up the mountain by jeep, horseback and on foot were ordered to abandon their operation when they returned to a base camp soaking wet and nearly frozen after darning shoulder deep snow drifts and icy slopes on which they sometimes

slipped 150 feet. The bodies of all those aboard when the plane smashed into the mountain only 70 feet from its peak were located. All but one were burned beyond recognition.

A bean crop of 270,000 bags, uncleaned, has been forecast for New Mexico this year.

Nearly 10,000 trucks and buses operate commercially on the highways of Wyoming.

Convicts Face Murder Charge

SAN FRANCISCO—AP—Three Alcatraz convicts went on trial Wednesday for the murder of a guard during the bloody three-day riot last May that cost five lives.

Indicted for the murder of Guard William A. Miller, one of the two guards who were killed in the riot, were Clarence Carnes, 19; Miran E. Thompson, 29; and Sam Shockley, 26. All have kidnapping convictions.

If convicted, the three would face a possible death sentence. Execution would be in San Quentin Prison's lethal gas chamber.

U. S. Attorney Frank J. Hennessy admitted that none of the three men actually fired the shots which killed Miller. He said the basis upon which he will ask for a murder conviction is the law establishing that in a criminal conspiracy all are guilty of the deeds of a single conspirator.

The riot started May 2, 1946, in Cell Block D when Bernard Coy, 46, bank robber, climbed to the gun gallery, slugged a guard and snatched a rifle and pistol, the only weapons the convict had.

Coy then released Joseph Cretzer, 35, bank robber and murderer. The prosecution charged that either Coy or Cretzer shot Miller when he refused to surrender the keys to the cellblock.

Coy and Cretzer were joined by Marvin Hubbard, 34, serving life for mutiny and kidnapping, and together with Carnes, Thompson

and Shockley, they staged a gunfight with Marines and prison guards for the three days.

On May 4, guards shot their way into the cellblock and found Cretzer, Coy and Hubbard dead. The other three convicts were taken prisoner.

Wolcott Sees Change In Rent Control Rules

WASHINGTON—AP—A prediction that Congress will write a new formula for controlling rents, with provision for increases "where inequities exist," came Wednesday from Rep. Wolcott (R-Mich.).

He also forecast that the new GOP-dominated Congress will continue government rent controls—at least until next July 1.

Wolcott is to become chairman of the House Banking Committee which handles price and rent control legislation.

Whether rent controls are extended beyond next June 30, he said, depends largely on whether the housing shortage is relieved by new construction.

"We must be realistic about rent controls," he said, "there is an awful housing shortage. If we lifted rent controls completely a small minority of unscrupulous landlords no doubt would gouge their tenants and there would be evictions. We saw some of that happen last summer when there was no rent control for a while."

The first dry cell battery was made by a Frenchman, Georges La Clanche, in 1868.

Higher Education Research Stressed

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Oregon's cooperation with the projected national research agency. The building program calls for on industrial building at the State College, which will be devoted primarily to large-scale engineering and forestry projects. A new laboratory building at the University, to provide a home for basic research in the natural sciences, is in the blueprint stage.

The University Hospital at Portland, for which plans are being drawn, "will greatly strengthen the research facilities at the Medical School in the fields of health and medicine. Further financial support is a prime essential if, when the time comes for the state to take its rightful place in the national research program, Oregon is not found in the category of 'too little and too late.'"

Contributions Noted
Despite limitations of funds and facilities, says the report, Oregon's research agencies have made notable contributions during the past

GI Bill of Rights, amounting to \$30 monthly for married veterans in school or on job training.

More than 1,200,000 veterans draw the allotment.

Tuition payments, made directly to schools, are not affected. Under legislation passed last summer, veterans' payments are limited to a total of \$175 monthly for those with dependents and to \$200 for those without dependents. In event those figures are exceeded the subsistence allowance must be reduced accordingly.

Tomorrow: Public Service.

VA Halts Payments To 150,000 Vets

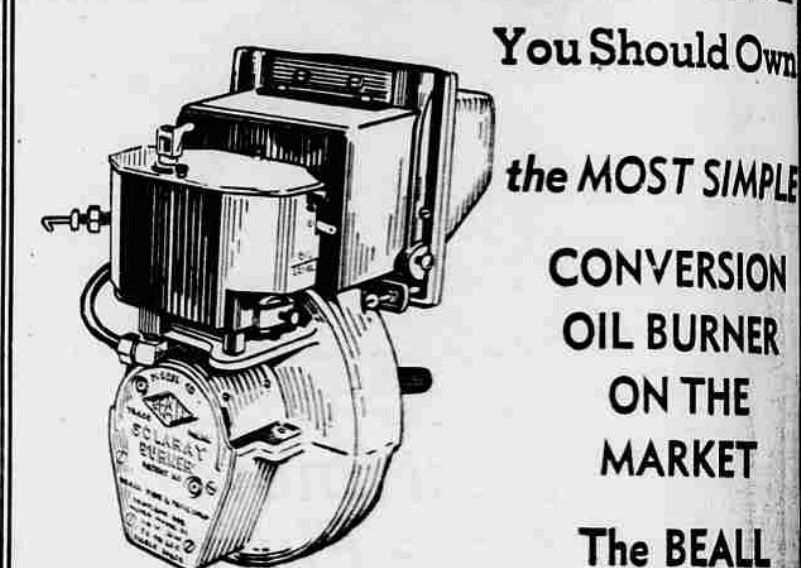
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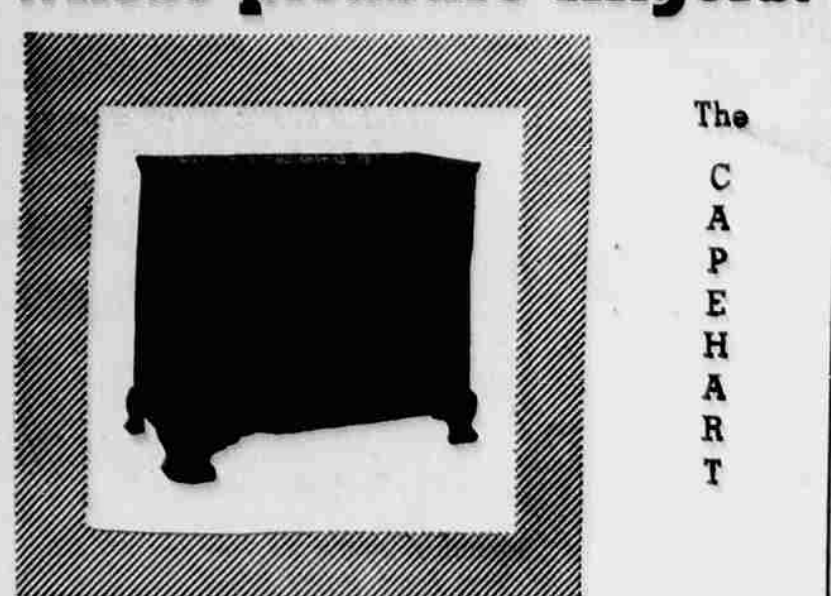


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