

'Bombsight' Thieves Warned

Chief of Police Keith Jones Tuesday issued a final warning to juveniles indulging in the current fad of stealing "bombsight" radiator ornaments from Buick cars and solicited the cooperation of the citizens of Eugene in halting the thefts.

Chief Jones said that under state law tampering with an automobile can be prosecuted as a felony. No Sympathy

Youngsters who steal the radiator gadgets to make bracelets of them have been repeatedly warned through the press and radio, Jones said, and little clemency will be shown if they are apprehended.

Three cases of "bombsight" thefts were reported Monday night, the chief said in asking that anyone noticing youngsters in possession of the ornaments make an immediate report to police headquarters.

Buick owners who reported the losses were: Glenn C. Linebaugh, 110 Bauer Lane; Nels Johnson, 240 30th Ave. E.; and Mrs. W. R. Farish, 1277 Willamette.

Negroes Declare Vote Intentions

NEW YORK (AP)—Fifty thousand Negroes in the Richmond, Va., area are "going to vote in spite of the poll tax," the annual meeting of the board of directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was told Monday.

Dr. J. M. Tinsley, board member from Richmond, reported that the 50,000 have been added to the voting rolls in recent months.

Women Jailed In Police Raid

Three women were arrested for prostitution and a fourth for operating a bawdy house by city policemen in two raids Sunday. All arrested at 2:05 a. m. at 667 Willamette St. were June Allen, 28, and Mildred Tucker (or Taylor), 50, Florence Bowers (Alias Lois Shaw) 30, and Mary Ann Davis, 36, were arrested at 8:30 p. m. at 731 Willamette St. Mildred Tucker posted \$200 bail for operating a bawdy house, and the other women \$100 bail for prostitution.

Vale Man Pleads Guilty to Extortion

VALE, Ore. (AP)—Travis L. Fisher, 35, was under suspended sentence Tuesday after pleading guilty to an attempt to extort \$5000 by threatening to spread polio germs.

Fisher, father of two young infantile paralysis victims, was arrested last week by FBI agents and Sheriff C. W. Glenn.

He was charged with demanding \$5000 from Sylvan Williamson, Vale farmer, in a letter on the threat of spreading polio germs to the Williamson children.

Judge M. A. Biggs sentenced Fisher to two years in prison, the maximum under Oregon law, but suspended the jail term after Williamson asked the court to show clemency to Fisher.

SMITH QUERIED PERHAPS WASHINGTON (AP)—Chairman J. Parnell Thomas said Tuesday that the House Un-American activities subcommittee on fascism may call Gerald L. K. Smith next week for questioning in connection with his racial pamphlets and his financial backing.

Forum to Hear Earl Newbry

Earl T. Newbry, secretary of state, will be the featured speaker Friday noon at the Chamber of Commerce's "First Forum of '48," Orlando John Hollis, forum committee chairman, announced Tuesday.

Members of the city's various service clubs and all interested citizens are invited to hear Secretary Newbry at the forum luncheon in the Eugene Hotel, Hollis said.

For his first official appearance in Eugene since assuming the secretary of state's duties, Newbry has chosen as his topic, "Oregon Faces a New Year—What Are the Odds?"

His talk will be directed at analyzing the state's problems as he views them from his official position as a member of the state board of control.

The chamber forum programs were adjourned during the Christmas and New Year's holiday weeks, but are being resumed with a number of outstanding speakers scheduled to speak during the remaining portion of the annual series, Hollis announced.

Committee Drops Eggless Thursday

WASHINGTON (AP)—Proposals to set up meat rationing machinery on a stand-by basis won the endorsement Tuesday of Senators Ives (R-NY) and Murray (D-Mont.).

While the meat issue simmered, President Truman's cabinet food committee decided to eliminate eggless Thursdays after this week but to continue its appeal for meatless Thursdays.

James A. Stillwell, food conservation director, announced that this step is being taken because of a seasonal increase in the supply of eggs.

Oregon Farm Prices Increase in December

PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon farm commodities advanced in price in virtually all items during December, some to new records, the Federal Agriculture Department said Tuesday.

Grain, at a peak of \$2.72 a bushel average and above the \$2.17 parity, joined meat animals in new highs. Hogs brought \$26.50 quotations compared with \$17.80 parity price level. Beef cattle \$20.10 compared with \$13.30 parity.

Apples and pears were the only major items plummeting in prices, dropping to the lowest mid-December level in five years.

Sanitary District Needs New Petitions

New petitions will be circulated in the area of the south Willamette Sanitary district and in the College Crest Water District proposed new addition to the area of the district, Donald Husband, attorney for the district, said Tuesday.

The County court set the old boundaries of the district last fall, but planners for the area decided, in the meantime, that the additional area would be helped and could share the cost of the district, he said.

The change meant that the whole process would have to be redone, through the county court. Adrian W. Vaaler, engineer for the district, is preparing a new map and description for the whole area.

Rent Office Reports 150 Sign Leases

About 150 Lane County landlords and tenants signed leases granting a 15 per cent increase in controlled units before the Dec. 31 deadline, the rent control office reported Tuesday.

The signed leases, which are to be in effect until Dec. 31, 1948, are to be in the rent office at 507 Willamette within 15 days after signing.

In Lane County, with approximately 7000 units under control, the percentage of leases was slightly under the national average of six per cent, the rent control office reported.

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Monsanto Cave-In Under Investigation

DAYTON, O. (AP)—Atomic Energy Comm. officials Tuesday launched an investigation into the cave-in of an underground concrete passage being built at the Monsanto atomic research plant at nearby Miamisburg.

Eight workmen were injured, one critically, Monday night when 30 to 60 tons of concrete, newly-laid over the passage, cascaded into the 36-foot long tunnel, Kenneth Dunbar, area manager for the Atomic Energy Comm., reported.

Three workmen were inside the underground chamber when part of the cement let go. Several companions rushed to their aid, but five of them were trapped in a second slide.

Nerveless Thieves Take Plow, Tractors

ELLENBURG, Wash. (AP)—Nerveless thieves who backed a truck within 50 yards of a farmhouse, stole two tractors and a plow, and then hired a wrecker to pull them out of the mud when they mired down during the getaway, were being sought by the sheriff's office Tuesday.

Deputy Sheriff Louis Voshall said the men backed the truck to a bank 50 yards from the Ray Sabin farm, loaded on a tractor and plow and drove off. Mired down nearby, they returned for a second tractor to pull them out.

Unsuccessful in this, Voshall said they hailed a passing motorist and were driven to a service station where they hired a wrecker. The wrecker driver, Nat Sawyer, told Voshall the men paid him in cash and drove away when he freed the truck.

Paratrooper's Body Flown to Fairbanks

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP)—The body of one of three paratroopers who jumped to the aid of six B-29 crash survivors on the icy Seward Peninsula Dec. 27 was being brought here by plane Tuesday for memorial services in the Ladd Field chapel.

The victim, First Sgt. Santhell Sunday of Kinta, Okla., was found Sunday frozen to death near the wreckage of the big bomber.

Still missing are the other paratroopers and a Ladd Field doctor who made the midnight jump in 30-below-zero weather, and the B-29's pilot and navigator, Lts. Vern H. Arnett and Frederick Sheetz. All are feared dead, but an intensive search by plane and dog teams is being continued.

Retired Railroaders Set Potluck Dinner

Nineteen retired members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen here will be presented with life membership cards during a potluck dinner at 8:30 p. m. Wednesday, Jan. 7.

Sidney A. Harper, secretary of Eugene Lodge 542, said several of the retired men have been members of the brotherhood for over 40 years. Five-year-membership badges will be presented Wednesday night to younger members, during the dinner at Knights of Pythias Hall, 1230 Lawrence St.

The dinner is being arranged by the Oregon Rose Lodge 228, Ladies Society of the Brotherhood. After the dinner, the women will install new officers, and the men will conduct their regular business meeting.

Fall Creeker Wins Prize

FALL CREEK—Mary Vaughn of this community Monday was announced as the winner of a radio and food freezer in a contest conducted by the Pict-Sweet company on the Mutual Broadcasting System, KORE.

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ELMIRA—Home Extension Unit meets Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1:15 p. m. at the Grange Hall, with Central and North Elmira units attending, to hear an address by Dr. James Millar of Corvallis. Elmira unit will sell cakes to raise money for Azalia House.

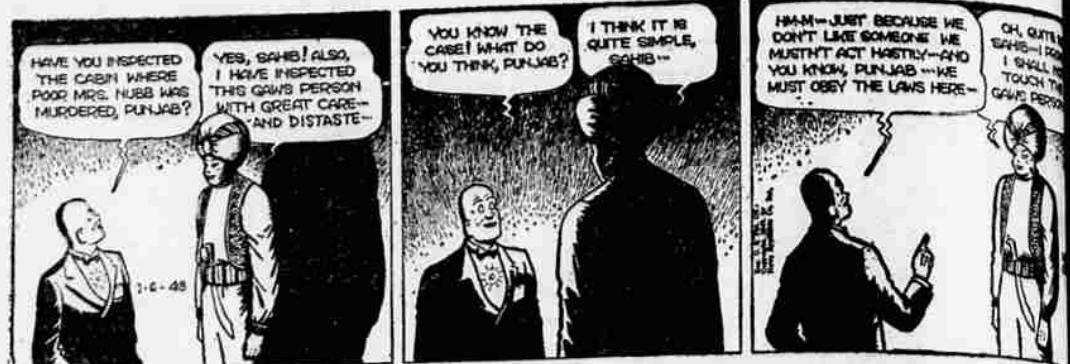
Tank Ship Sinks Columbia Barge

ST. HELENS, Ore. (AP)—The intercoastal tank ship Catawba Ford rammed and sank a heavily laden tank barge in the Columbia River Tuesday and the 10,000-ton Purdue Victory was damaged later when it struck the submerged barge in a rainstorm. The collision opened a jagged hole in the hull of the 10,317-ton Catawba Ford, and the Purdue Victory sustained extensive damage. No injuries to crew members of any of the three vessels were reported.

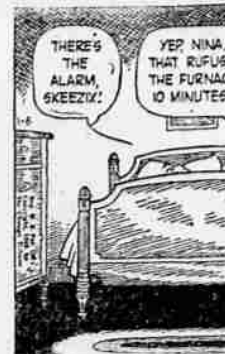
GE-KRUPP COMBINE

NUERNBERG, Germany (AP)—The Krupp Steel Combine arranged to have its royalties from the General Electric Corp. collected by a Swiss go-between firm long before the United States entered World War II, a U. S. military court was told Tuesday. The prosecution in the trial of Alfred Krupp and his subordinates on war crimes charges said the object was to prevent American confiscation.

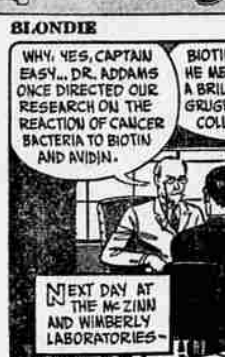
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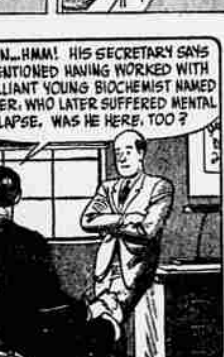
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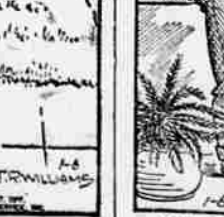
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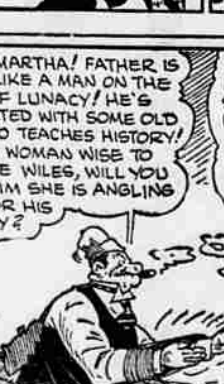
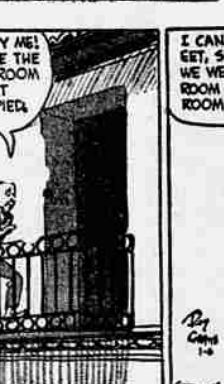
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