

Party to Pick Successor For Snellstrom

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rowly missed the nomination in the May primaries (he got 8105 votes to Earl Hill's 10,339) is expected to make a bid. Hammerquist has been a member of the legislature in North Dakota.

Fred A. Beltz, a former county judge from Tillamook and a retired lumberman, has been mentioned.

Frank Graham, of the Hills Creek Lumber Co., and Mayor Earl McNutt of Eugene have both been mentioned as having support if they seek the nomination Tuesday. McNutt has announced that he would not again run for mayor.

Get Tips From Seattle

Navy recruiters in Eugene announced Saturday that information on all phases of officer procurement is now available from Lt. Cmdr. L. W. Fischer of the Office of Naval Officer Procurement in Seattle.

The Naval ROTC program applies to qualified high school graduates who will be attending col-

lege, to naval air cadets who have finished two years of college, and to ensigns who have completed four years of college and are interested in being directly commissioned in the U. S. Navy. Interested men may write Lt. Cmdr. Fischer at 513 Arctic Bldg., 704 Third Ave., Seattle.

Insurance Program Offered for Pupils

For the second consecutive year, students of public and private schools throughout the state will be offered an insurance program to cover bodily injuries.

Oregon High School Activities Assn. announced that over 27,000 students took advantage of the plan last year. The insurance plan is owned and operated by the schools themselves and will be available to all school children in the cost is one dollar per student the state from grades one to 12, for the school year.

Several hundred Eugene Students applied for the insurance coverage last year. The program provides coverage against a bodily injury that may occur from the time they leave home in the morning for school until they return home at the close of school.

Views of 'Milky Way' Best In Latter Weeks of Summer

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A quiet satisfaction steals over the watcher of the early evening skies as the first perceptible wisps of the mysterious "Milky Way" tinge a clear and moonless summer night.

This delicate, misty band now extends entirely across the evening heavens from the twinkling stars of Perseus in the north-north-east to the rich region of Sagittarius low in the south.

Late Summer Best
Late summer views of the Milky Way are the best of the year. Far from uniform throughout, this galaxy breaks into many irregularities of nebulous light of varying width and brightness. Overhead it divides into two distinct branches which continue side by side toward the south.

In classical mythology this sky band was considered the dust stirred up by the speedy feet of Perseus as he rushed to rescue the chained Andromeda.

Lots of Views
To some it was a highway to heaven, a heavenly river, or lights held by spirits. One ancient scientist thought it was a zone of stars partially obscured by the earth's shadow; another, that stars were here so crowded together that they illuminate each other.

Theophrastus taught that this was a crack in the sky due to poor joining of the two hemispheres at the time of creation. The noted Aristotle considered it a mass of glowing gas. The Greek Pythagoras around 550 B.C. taught it was a vast assemblage of very distant stars.

Pythagoras Right
Galileo in 1610 found that the Pythagorean theory, propounded over 2000 years earlier, was correct. His newly-invented telescope showed the Milky Way as "myriads of stars, their blended light causing the white effect the unaided eye reveals." It is "star dust," each fleck too distant to show individually.

The galaxy completely encircles the sky. Our star system of billions of blazing suns is thought to be arranged in the shape of a disc. Our sun and its planets are about half way from the center to the edge.

More On Edges
If we look skyward in the direction of the thin part of the disc, we do not see as many or as distant stars as when we look toward the edges. They aren't there. The accumulated effect of these millions of far-away stars in the direction of the disc's edges gives the appearance of the Milky Way.

Far From Lights
Only in the country or at sea, far from artificial lights, can this sky band be seen in its full glory. The late Professor Barnard said that his best view was obtained on a heavily-overcast, moonless night, when a sudden rift in the earth's clouds showed these cele-

stial billows in the rich regions of the south.

Brewer Mourns Order to Unload Supply of Beer

RED BLUFF, Calif.—(P)—A river of beer—good beer too—flowed toward the sea Saturday, alas.

There were 124,000 gallons of it. A federal judge said the beer had to be dumped.

The beer flows from the capacious vats of the United States Brewing Corporation plant at Red Bluff into the Sacramento River. The plant is in a receivership-reorganization proceeding.

The judge said the corporation probably would lose money trying to bottle all that beer during the reorganization. Besides it would hold up reorganization, so dump her boys.

Charles Frizzell, the brewmaster, held wake as the taps were turned:

"I've sweated over it," said he. "I've nursed it; and I've pampered it. And here it goes—down the drain."

Red Hunters Accuse Truman of Delays

WASHINGTON—(P)—Congressional investigators formally accused the White House Saturday night of refusing to help "protect the national security."

In a report on "Communist espionage in the United States government," the House Un-American Activities Committee said:

1. Its inquiry has been "hampered at every turn by White House 'obstructive tactics'" and refusal to supply information.

Officer Candidacy Enlistment Opened

Local Army recruiters announced Saturday that the Army has enlarged opportunities for attendance to officer candidate schools.


Civilians with or without previous service now may enlist in the army for the specific purpose of entering officer candidate school. Applicants must be 19 to 28 years of age, a high school graduate, and otherwise qualified.

They will be enlisted in the third pay grade and given basic training, and then sent to officer candidate school. Upon completion of the course, they will be commissioned second lieutenants in the Officers' Reserve Corps, and placed on active duty for two years.

The opportunity applies to both men and women. However, women who do not graduate may be separated from the service if they fail to complete the course.


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