

Police Tell Story About Man Who Lived in Hospitals—for Free

SOMERSET, Pa. — (AP) — State police this week told of a 30-year-old man who lived in luxury in hospitals all around the state for three years—for nothing.

Pvt. Paul O'Mara said the habitual patient, Louise Steve Sabo, Jr., of Salina, is now resting on a less comfortable bed in Somerset county jail.

He is charged with forgery, growing out of the rubber checks with which, police said, he paid for his hospital treatment.

O'Mara said Sabo was arrested in Somerset Community Hospital last week, lying in bed with a "back injury," and listening to a radio. He had been in the hospital a month.

He was in a private room and had three special nurses for round-the-clock "super service."

The state policeman said Sabo readily signed a statement that he had been working his racket since 1945, listing 22 hospitals in 17 towns which he had victimized.

He usually faked a back injury, and gave a false name and address. By the time his check for

payment bounced, Sabo was installed in another hospital with another name.

O'Mara said Sabo told them he once suffered a cracked backbone which shows up as a "suspicious spot" on an X-ray.

Mill Fire Caught Before Loss Mounts

Fire of unknown origin did an estimated \$1500 damage to the green chain section of the George Owens lumber mill, 1705 Fifth Ave. W., Tuesday night.

Discovered at 10:40 p. m. by Merchant Patrolman Arthur Ward, the blaze was extinguished by two truck crews from the Eugene fire department, but not before damaging a small engine, scorching walls and the roof.

The loss was insured, according to fire department reports.

Strawberries, apricots, apples, raspberries, peaches and cherries, are all members of the rose family according to the World Book Encyclopedia.

Gas Available Despite Strike

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far are not suffering greatly. Nearly all contract firms buy their gasoline direct from distributors and their quotas have not been cut. Where the company has not been in operation long enough to negotiate a contract for gasoline, the operator is forced to take his chances with the rest of the crowd, except that some of the stations are holding some fuel in reserve for emergency and business.

Oregon Motor Stages, operators of Springfield and Eugene bus lines, are still "keeping them rolling," company officials said. Their supply is not endangered.

After the Strike?

How long will it take to get the gas supply back to normal once

the strike is over? An officer at Standard's headquarters estimated "two days," Shell's local spokesman said "five days," and an independent distributor said "anywhere from one to two weeks." All were quick to say that the longer the strike lasts, the more time it will take to pick up the backlog of orders.

An interesting angle came from one distributor. "Actually," he said, "most dealers will sell more gas this month than in a normal month. Stations have storage tanks which hold around 5000 gallons. They are getting 75 per cent of their quota. What they are doing is selling the quota, plus their storage which brings their total sales above normal. Of course, they will be with empty storage tanks at the end of the month, but they're apparently gambling that the strike will be over by then. The demand is abnormal since motorists are rushing the pumps. But the dealers would do better to conserve still more and not dig into their storage."

Activity at Fair Defies the Rain

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special entertainment; farmers will find just what they have always been looking for in the displays of the latest in farm equipment.

Visitors with a little extra money to spend will be able to do it on the varied attractions offered by the carnival daily from noon to 11:30 p. m.

Accident Aid

To prepare for accidents, the Red Cross and the local nurse's association have cooperated in putting a first aid booth in the Maltese Cross Building. Mrs. George Stinson of the association will have charge, and has reported that many local nurses have volunteered their time to staff the booth.

Hurricane Hits Florida

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miles an hour, the storm headed for the citrus region in central Florida, where millions of trees are heavy with ripening fruit.

Split State

Winds increased in central Florida and the storm's present course would split the state in a north northeasterly direction from Everglades City to Daytona Beach, reaching the Atlantic Coast late Wednesday.

The storm offered a grave threat to the vegetable farming area on the southern and eastern shores of Lake Okechobee. Evacuation trains went in to take out refugees, but reports indicated most residents preferred to stay and take their chances, confident that the great levee around the lake would hold.

Miami had winds of 65 miles an hour in sustained velocity and gusts above 75. Driving rain drenched the southern half of the peninsula.

Damage Limited

Damage to Miami was limited to uprooted palm trees, broken power lines, smashed windows and billboards. Streets were flooded by torrential rains. Transportation was disrupted, schools remained closed and business suspended.

Miami Beach reported some show windows blown in, trees uprooted or snapped off by the gusty, twisting winds, and aluminum shutters torn off. A wall of a night club, being rebuilt, was flattened.

DAV Plans Flower Sale

The Disabled American Veterans, Eugene Chapter No. 3, will sell flowers on the city's streets Friday to raise funds for its local service and rehabilitation program. More than 20 veterans will aid in the sale, Adjutant Guy R. Griffin said Wednesday.

Commander Manley, head of the local chapter, urged every resident to purchase a blue "Forget-Me-Not" to make this annual sale a success.

"The D. A. V. maintains service, free of charge, to all veterans in their fight for adequate compensation, and to assist the disabled in proper presentation of claims for compensation and pensions," he said.

Oakland Port Agreement Set

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — CIO longshore pickets were expected to withdraw from the port of Oakland Wednesday under an agreement for the removal of commercial cargo piled on the docks.

A union announcement of the agreement with the city of Oakland made clear the lading or discharge of struck ships is not involved. But the city's wharves and warehouses are to be cleared to make room for Army cargo.

Striking longshoremen now are handling Army cargoes through Pacific Coast ports under contracts between the Army and two stevedoring firms not connected with the Waterfront Employers' Assn.

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Ellsworth Sees Pulp Industry

ROSEBURG — (AP) — Rep. Harris Ellsworth (R-Ore.) believes

the white fir and hemlock timber in Southeast Oregon should be used for a white paper pulp industry.

He told a Chamber of Commerce luncheon group here that 80 to 35 million feet of these two species are cut annually in Douglas county.

They represent the last remaining opportunity on the North American continent for establishment of such an industry, he said.

Ellsworth said that in normal times the sawmills have not found a satisfactory market for white fir and hemlock. He said mills

would rather sell the profit than cut them between five and ten county is composed of pulp mill.



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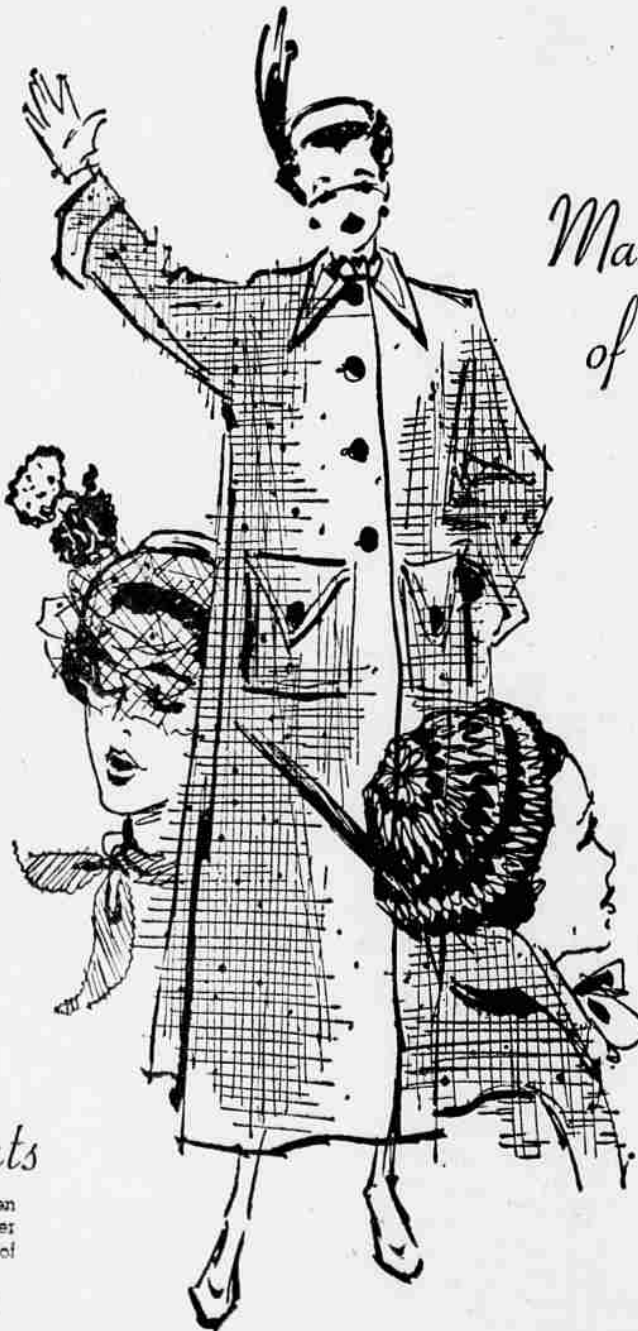
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