

Bill to Outlaw Bribe Offering Now in House

WASHINGTON — (P) — A bill to permit the government to file civil court action against persons offering bribes to government officials or employees was introduced Tuesday by Rep. Jackson (D-Wash.).

Conviction would make the person offering the bribe subject to penalties ranging from \$10,000 to \$250,000.

IN ADDITION, the bill provides for payment of three times the damages suffered by the United States and calls for added penalty of triple the amount of profit accruing to the briber.

The bill is aimed entirely at the person offering the bribe. The Congressman told a reporter he feels there are adequate laws under which to prosecute bribe-takers.

Jackson said that if Congress approves the bill, it would be the first time the government has combatted bribery and corruption through the civil courts.

HE SAID existing criminal statutes have not proved completely effective because of the high degree of proof required for conviction. Civil courts require only a preponderance of evidence, Jackson said.

The bill applies not only to persons making or attempting to make a bribe, but to those who would benefit from such action by a middleman.

Jackson said the bill "presumes" the briber to be acting under authority of the person benefiting.

NEWS BRIEFS



CONTINUED MILD

U.S. WEATHER BUREAU FORECAST: Eugene and vicinity: Mostly cloudy Wednesday night, mostly cloudy Thursday, little change in temperature. Western Oregon same, with a few showers in mountain areas.

Local Statistics: Highest temperature Tuesday, 66; low Wednesday, 47; rain in 24 hours ending 10:30 a.m., .01 inch; total for month, .01 inches; normal for month, 1.80 inches; stage of river at 7:30 a.m., minus 1.10 feet; wind at 11:30 a.m., calm; prevailing Tuesday, W3.

Sunrise and Sunset (PST): Thursday, 4:45 a.m. and 7:23 p.m. Friday, 4:53 a.m. and 7:24 p.m.

FIRE SUNDAY night threatened Eugene's new city jail. It was believed a prisoner's cigarette started the fire in a cellblock mattress. Jailor Oakley Glenn suppressed the blaze by cooling the mattress in a washbowl and then carrying it outside. Only injury was to Glenn, who suffered minor burns. The fire department was not called.

A COMMITTEE to organize the Employ the Handicapped week for Lane County will meet at 2 p.m. (DST) Thursday, in the Veterans Memorial Building, Eugene. The week has been set by the President as the first week in October.

EUGENE'S RETIRED railroaders will have a Mother's Day motif at their monthly meeting and potluck, Friday, May 9, 12:30 p.m., at the Woodmen of the World Hall, 8th and Lincoln. Warren G. Burt, president of the local group, (National Assn. of Retired and Veteran Railway Employees, Unit 57), says the program will be musical. Burt and Mrs. M. E. Jepson will be featured soloists. Visitors are welcome.

THE FIVE FINALISTS for the title of Junior Weekend queen at the University of Oregon were announced Wednesday night after a two-day student vote. The five girls, all juniors, are Barbara Booth, San Francisco, Calif.; Patricia Johnson, North Powder; Jocelyn Martin, Seattle, Wash.; Joan Renner, West Linn, and Nanette Silverthorne, Portland.

SCOTTISH RITE Masons will confer the 21st degree Friday, May 9 at 2 p.m. and the 30th degree at 8 p.m. in Masonic Temple, 902 Olive St., as a part of the spring reunion. Visiting members are invited.

REX PUTNAM, state superintendent of public instruction, will be guest speaker at the Springfield Kiwanis meeting Thursday noon in the American Legion hall.

NEWCOMERS GROUP of Eugene Garden Club will meet Friday at 2 p.m. at the clubhouse, 1645 High St. The program, "Enjoying Roses," will be in the charge of Mrs. Charles Andreason. Tea chairman is Mrs. E. C. Umphlette. The public is invited.

TICKETS for the Zonta-sponsored dance benefit for pupils of Irene Albino Friday evening at Woodrow Wilson Junior High School are on sale at Carey's, Hermanek's and Flowers Unlimited. They also may be purchased at the door.

ST. JOHN Episcopal Guild of Springfield will hold a rummage sale Friday and Saturday at 9 a.m. at 4th and Main Sts. over Springfield Flower Shop. Mrs. Sherman Everett may be called for pickup of all donations, at 7-2496.

A RUMMAGE sale by the Friendship Club will be Friday and Saturday, May 9 and 10, at the Rummage Center, 77 W. 7th.

THE ASSOCIATION of Childhood Education will have a dinner meeting at Danebo Lutheran Church at 6:30 p.m., (DST), Thursday.

THE MEN'S MUSIC honorary in the University of Oregon, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, has pledged nine men this term. The new pledges are Donald R. Loftus, William J. O'Leary and Richard Ramsdell, all of Eugene; Paul E. Roake, Klamath Falls; Grover W. Rodich, Lyons, Ore.; Ray C. Walden, Salem; Leonard W. Jared, Cottage Grove; Robert V. Kuykendall, Vancouver, Wash.; and Edward A. Kenney, Jr., Honolulu, T. H.

MODERN Woodmen of America members are asked to delay sending in their dues until late this month, since Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Faunce, treasurers, are leaving for a three-week trip to California.

SPRINGFIELD chapter of the National High School Honor Society will hold its annual banquet at 6:30 p.m., May 8 at the Methodist Church. Owen Sabin, principal of the high school, will be the speaker. After the banquet new members will be initiated. Parents are invited.

Marjory Maxine Grupp

Marjory Maxine Grupp, 29, of 547 Washington St., died at her home May 6, 1952. Born Jan. 17, 1923, in Eugene, she had lived here all her life.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Grupp, Eugene; a sister, Mrs. Joyce Hodges, Drain; grandmother, Mrs. Alice Steinhauer, Eugene; and several aunts and uncles.

Services will be at Simon-Lounsbury Mortuary Friday, at 2 p.m. The Rev. Duane E. Muth will officiate, with interment in Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Local Bread Travels

Davidson's Bakery in Eugene has stepped up production to supply some cities where bread supplies are affected by the baker's strike, a spokesman said Wednesday. He said Salem and Eastern Oregon cities normally supplied by Davidson's Portland bakery are receiving bread from the Eugene plant. A spokesman for Williams bakery in Eugene said he had been cautioned by Owner Basil Williams "not to say anything" in regard to supplying strike-bound cities. He said Williams is out of town.

Barbers Decide On 5-Day Stint In Local Shops

Starting May 19, the "closed" shingle will be on barbershop doors in Eugene, Springfield and Cottage Grove every Monday.

Barbers have voted to work a five-day week in the three towns.

In an effort to cut down the hours to something like that practiced by other crafts, the tonsorial practitioners will work from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through practitioners will work from 8 Saturday.

The announcement was made by J. C. Swarthout, Eugene barber, for the group. No increase in rates is contemplated, he said.

Since ancient days when barbers also practiced blood letting for medical purposes, the barber has worked 54 or more hours a week.

Now, the local cutters want a day off. The practice is prevalent in many coastal cities, and has worked successfully. Monday is a light day for hair cutting, anyhow.

Swarthout suggested that children get their locks shorn during the week rather than compete with the adult trade on Saturdays.

Lee E. Bonney

Lee E. Bonney, 1860 Potter St., died at Portland May 6, 1952. Born May 23, 1897, at Waterville, he was married to Catherine Mills at Eugene in 1945.

He was a veteran of World Wars I and II, and a member of the Eugene Moose Lodge.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Robert L. Bonney, Eugene; a granddaughter; three brothers, Clayborn and Lloyd, both of Eugene, and Walter of Portland; a sister, Virginia Stephens, Bend.

Services will be at Poole-Larson Chapel Friday, May 9, at 10:30 a.m., DST. Burial will be at Pioneer Memorial Cemetery.

Church Okays Tobacco Ban

SAN FRANCISCO — (P) — The temperance element of the Methodist General Conference Tuesday night won a surprise victory by defeating a majority report which would have removed the no smoking pledge required of ministerial candidates.

The conference adjourned Tuesday night.

By a close vote, delegates passed a minority report which continues the promise by applicants for Methodist holy orders to abstain from tobacco "and other indulgences which may injure your influence."

The majority report did not mention tobacco and merely said ministers applying for a license to preach must consecrate themselves "to purity of life in body, mind and spirit."

Spring Frost Damages Oregon Fruit Crops

PORTLAND — (P) — Spring frost damaged strawberry plants and some fruit crops last week in Western Oregon, the weekly crop-reporting bulletin from the Federal Crop Reporting Service said Tuesday.

There was heavy damage to pears and apples in the Hood River Valley and to cherries in the Dalles area, the report said. Some damage to Rogue River Valley pears was reported.

Gail D. Tallman

Gail David Tallman, 44, of Rt. 4, Box 102, died May 5, 1952. Born Aug. 30, 1907, in Wisconsin, she had lived here for 26 years.

Survivors include his wife, Viola; several children, Mrs. Rosetta Meyers, Newport, Mrs. Donna Nelson, Coos Bay, and Carylene and Vicky Mae Freeman, Coquille; a sister in Medford.

Services will be in Simon-Lounsbury Mortuary Thursday at 2:30 p.m. The Rev. Wesley Graves will officiate, with interment in Laurel Hill Cemetery.

COP COINS

CLEVELAND — (P) — The Ohio Bell Telephone Co. Tuesday asked police assistance in tracing the robbery of one of its pay telephone coin boxes.

The phone is located in the lobby of central police station.

Cowboy Gear, Royal Dignity Clash Headon

LONDON — (P) — The call of the wild west clashed headon with the royal dignity of two young princes Tuesday—and the lure of cowboy land won easily.

It happened at the British Industries Fair. Prince William, 11, and Prince Richard, 7, sons of the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, were accompanying their parents and their cousin, Queen Elizabeth II, on a tour of inspection.

They tagged along politely while their elders made polite comments until they got to a stand bearing boy-sized cowboy and Indian paraphernalia. A crisis developed at once.

William and Richard broke ranks and made a quick dive into the knives, guns, chaps and tomahawks presided over by Charles Penn, a Californian.

"They picked up some of the cowboy models, grabbed the rubber tomahawks and were just about to have a real good fight," Penn related.

Then the Duchess darted into the western wilds after them.

"She was just like all boys' mothers, you know," Penn said. "She said, 'Hi, come here, both of you. And put those down — at once!'"

That reconvered the boys into prim and dignified princes again. But on the way out the duchess took on changes. She edged both of them well out of reach of the tomahawks and stuff.

Timber Sale Big Bargain

PORTLAND — (P) — Timberlands at Gold Beach, Ore., sold last summer by two Indians for \$135,000, are worth at least \$405,000, according to the U.S. Forest Service, the Oregonian said in a story in its Wednesday edition.

After a complicated transaction, the timberlands wound up in the hands of a white man. The government is attempting to nullify the sale. The case is to be tried May 20.

Another suit to cancel the sale also is pending. It is in behalf of the two Indians who originally owned the land. This case was filed by the Portland Trust Bank, conservator of the Indians' property.

Rhumba King Weds Singer

MIAMI BEACH — (P) — Rhumba King Xavier Cugat and Singer Abbe Lane climaxed a two-year tango of troubled love here Monday with a simple penthouse wedding.

The middle-aged maestro made brown-eyed young Abbe his bride in a tender atmosphere of gardenias high atop the ocean-side Casablanca Hotel. Only very close relatives and a few newsmen attended.

Cugat, 52, made his third trip to the altar in a dark blue suit. The 20-year-old vocalist from Brooklyn, her left hand weighted with white orchids and a 10-carat solitaire diamond, wore a Joan Abbott semi-formal jeweled white for this her first marriage.

Benefits Increased

WASHINGTON — (P) — Senate House conferees reached agreement Tuesday on two bills to increase veterans' benefit payments by about 214 million dollars a year.

The increases are designed to meet cost-of-living rises.

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