

New Farm Built In Record Time

MOSES LAKE, Wash. — (P) — The seven-room house and till and plant 110 acres of land that up till now has held only sagebrush. Michael Straus, reclamation commissioner who presided at the "first water" ceremony, termed the irrigation water "waters that free men have harnessed to keep them free and insure their future."

Donald Dunn, 30, Marion, Kansas, farmer who was flooded off his own farm last summer, was presented with the house, tax free.

He and his wife spent the night there. Their two young daughters, however, had to be put to bed at the home of friends before the house was finished.

Dunn, a veteran of World War II was chosen by the Veterans of Foreign Wars as the most worthy to receive the \$75,000 farm, completely stocked with livestock, farm equipment and full pantry shelves.

His farm has 15 acres of alfalfa, 12 acres of oats, six of pasture, five of corn and 31 acres of red Mexican beans. It also has trees and blooming flowers around the house.

An estimated 10,000 onlookers watched the building of the miracle farm.

More than 70,000 acres will receive water this year from the irrigation project that took almost 20 years to build, along with Grand Coulee Dam.

Twelve of the world's largest pumps lift the water from the Columbia behind the dam to a hilltop from where the water flows by gravity to the fertile desert.

Story of Body Under Probe

BURNS, Ore. — (P) — The district attorney here is investigating the story of an Oregon man who drove into town and told police they would find the body of his wife in his trailer.

Dist. Atty. Leland S. Duncan said Lindsey John, 41, a Siletz Indian from Toledo, Ore., told him that the woman had jumped from their car as they drove through Wyoming Tuesday night.

John said she seemed all right when he ran back to get her, so he helped her into the car and drove on, the district attorney said.

They stopped somewhere in Idaho later that night, and John said he moved his wife to the trailer then. The next morning he said he discovered she was dead.

He drove on, after telephoning relatives. They met him near here, and persuaded him to report the death to authorities. John said he had recently got out of the Navy in Maryland, and was driving home with his wife and their six-year-old son.

Duncan said an autopsy would be ordered.

John said he did not know where they were in Wyoming when his wife, Ethel John, 30, a white woman, jumped from the car. He said she was bruised, but otherwise seemed all right.

He also said he was not certain where he was in Idaho when he learned she was dead. He telephoned his sister in Salem, Aurilla Tom, and asked her to meet him on the highway. The sister and a brother from Toledo drove here, meeting John on the highway east of Burns. Then they came into town, where John told his story to Duncan.

John is being held while the investigation is made.

Postal Sub Finds Heroin

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — (P) — An alert housewife, working as a substitute postal clerk in Penryn, a tiny Placer County town, suspected smuggled narcotics when Chinese magazines arrived from Hong Kong.

She notified U.S. narcotics agents and postal inspectors. They found \$100,000 worth of heroin concealed in the magazines.

Then they arrested Wing Suey Fong, 39, of North Sacramento when he picked up the package. Fong was charged with illegal possession of narcotics and released on \$5,000 bail.

Mrs. Ollie Mae Hayes, 35, daughter of Penryn Postmaster Arthur Flint, said she had read that San Francisco narcotics agents found heroin concealed in cut-out magazines from China.

Woman Admits Slaying Child

NEWARK, N. J. — (P) — A 36-year-old woman neighbor admitted Thursday night she strangled to death four-year-old Mary Louise Wargo. Deputy Police Chief Hugh O'Gorman announced.

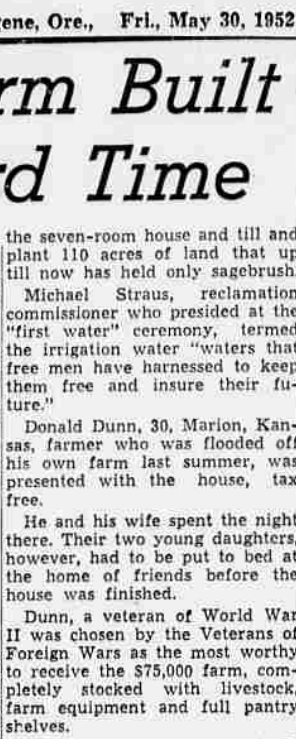
O'Gorman said the woman, Mrs. Annie de Nike, wife of a truck driver and herself the mother of a three-year-old child, broke down and admitted the slaying after long questioning.

Mary Louise's body was found Tuesday night stuffed in a pillowcase, which had been dumped in a vacant lot six blocks from her home.

The plump, dark-haired woman, who had been a friend of the Wargo family, told police she strangled the child in her home after becoming enraged over a scuffle between Mary Louise and her own child, Doris, 3, O'Gorman said.

PENNIES ALTERED
CHEYENNE, Wyo. — (AP) — Three Wyoming university students were ordered to appear in federal court Thursday to receive punishment for using nitric acid to thin pennies and make them work as dimes in campus soft drink machines.

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Jury Acquits Portland Cop

PORTLAND — (AP) — A jury of seven men and five women has acquitted Portland Detective William L. Brian of a charge of attempting to extort \$10,000 from Dr. Ruth Barnett, operator of the Stewart clinic in the Broadway building.

A POLL of the jury, taken shortly after 10:18 p.m. Thursday night, showed 10 jurors favored acquittal and two voted for a guilty verdict. A vote of 10 either way was necessary for a verdict.

Brian had been charged with attempting to extort the money from Dr. Barnett in June, 1950.

Dr. Barnett, a naturopath, recently was convicted with two clinic employees, Dr. H. G. Weigand, a chiropractor, and his wife, Edith, receptionist, in charges of maintaining a nuisance.

DR. BARNETT testified that on June 2, 1950, she took \$4000 from a safe in her office and withdrew another \$8000 from a bank and gave the whole amount to Brian. She said the detective, accompanied by another detective, Michael O'Leary, confronted her earlier in the day and demanded the money on threat of arresting Dr. Weigand on a charge of manslaughter by abortion.

O'Leary also faces an extortion charge. No time for his trial has been set.

Both Brian and O'Leary steadfastly denied accepting the money.

Summer Art Classes Set

Summer school art classes will be held from June 16 to July 25, the same times as other summer school classes.

Groups will meet four days a week from Monday through Thursday in the art room at Eugene High. Miss Freda Harshbarger, Eugene Schools art supervisor, will teach the classes.

If enrollment is high enough and distributed through various grade levels, the intermediate group will probably meet from 8:30 to 10 a.m. and the primary group from 10:30 to 12 a.m., Lloyd H. Gillett, director of special education, said Thursday.

Registration will be at Eugene High Monday, June 16, between 8:30 and 10 a.m. Until that time, the plans are still tentative.

Work in the classes will be a continuation of art work now being carried on in classrooms, in as many different media as possible. A number of craft activities will be carried on, Gillett said.

Senate Refuses To Kill Controls

WASHINGTON — (P) — The Senate Thursday rejected a proposal to end wage-price controls June 30.

The proposal was offered by Rep. Dirksen (R-Ill.) as an amendment to a bill to continue the controls until March 1.

The Senate opened debate on the bill Thursday. If nothing is done before June 30, wage and price controls will die automatically at that time.

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School Cans 25 Students After Fracas

ITHACA, N. Y. — (P) — Cornell University Thursday night suspended for a year 25 students who seized a university radio station Wednesday night and broadcast fake reports that European cities were bombed.

A faculty committee on student conduct announced the suspensions after interviewing the students.

In the group were sophomores, juniors and seniors. Their names were not disclosed.

Ten of the students, wearing masks, entered the student-operated station WVRB, overpowered three student staff members and controlled the station for eight minutes. The other 15 later admitted participating.

The fake bulletins said an air armada was nearing the United States.

Ellis Duell of Atlantic City, N.J., student manager of the station, said there was some "fainting and hysteria" in the women's dormitories.

A university spokesman said there was "some alarm" but "no panic."

The faculty committee said the suspensions would go into effect June 5, the day classes end. All students will be allowed to complete examinations and get credit for the year's work.

The seniors cannot graduate until June 1953, and the other students cannot register again until the fall of that year, the committee announced.

Intertie Urged By Californians

WASHINGTON — (P) — An intertie between California's Central Valley and the Pacific Northwest's Bonneville power system has been urged by the Santa Clara County Water and Power Users Assn.

The power connection was among several actions asked by the association in a 12-page brief submitted to the Electric Consumers' Conference here.

The brief blamed private utilities for a potential power shortage in California, saying that public construction of power projects in the Central Valley had been blocked or delayed by "the power lobby."

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Shipping Strike Three Days Old

24 Ships Tied Up Along West Coast

SAN FRANCISCO — (P) — A minority element of the Shipowners' Pacific Maritime Assn. was reported working Thursday toward a proposal to settle the three-day strike of West Coast AFL sailors.

No negotiating sessions have been held with the Sailors Union of the Pacific since it struck Monday. At least 24 ships from Seattle to Los Angeles have been tied up.

Some owners propose a settlement along the lines of an agreement reached Tuesday with Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union. That agreement sets the PMA-ILWU contract termination date at June 15, 1954.

It provides for a 13 cent hourly wage increase plus 4 cent hourly contribution by employers to the union welfare fund. It also grants the union the right to open wage negotiations only in June, 1953.

The PMA has said it would grant the Sailors Union demands for a 5 per cent wage increase plus overtime pay for Saturday work at sea in return for a one-year, no strike contract.

Harry Lundberg, secretary-treasurer of the SUP, said the union is holding out for an agreement which can be cancelled on 60 days notice.

GARBOISH
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ROME — (P) — The Italian News Agency reported Thursday that Mrs. Francesco Minocchia has given birth to her 27th child. The baby, a son, was born Wednesday in Benevento.

Soprano Has Baby
NEW YORK — (P) — Mimi Ben-zell, former Metropolitan opera soprano, said Wednesday she expects her first child in early fall. Miss Benzell is married to concert agent Walter Gould.

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