



EUGENE ROTARIANS heft new and used equipment out of a truck at the fairgrounds preparation for their annual auction Wednesday. It is a benefit for underprivileged children in the area. Left to right are Howard Colburn, Gus Hixson, Elmo Chase, Burdett Walker, Lionel Trommlitz and Skeet Manerud.

IN ONE EAR...

By BOB FRAZIER

DAY, ACCORDING TO THE calendar, is children's day. The column is being written on Saturday and—oh, brother, the weather doesn't improve, it will really be children's day—day you have them in the house all day.

"COMMENCEMENT THEME" of Sunday (if days really are themes, which is doubtful) will be carried out on KVAL, 7:30 p.m. The station will show the State Board of Higher Education's movie, "Your State Higher Education." It's a good all about the university and the state's colleges. A number of Eugene people appear in it.

DAY REPUBLICAN CHAIRMAN ED BOEHNKE and Ralph Williams of the party's finance committee will start a tour of the party's after money. They will also try to whomp up enthusiasm for picnics and celebrations of the party's 100th birthday.

ELIE PORTER HAS A secretary-treasurer for his congressional campaign. He is Bob Brakel, who lives out on Hilliard St.

GROUND WASHBURNE PARK the cross streets coming into the city are marked 21st, 22nd, 23rd, etc. Twenty-fourth is called 24th, however, and not 24rd or 24nd as you might expect.

DO SCHUMACHER, THE POLITICAL science professor, is up to accuse the Register-Guard of being subversive. He has consulted the radio log Thursday and noticed that at 10 p.m. KORE was broadcasting a program called "Nightmare." He tuned in, he says, and what do you suppose the program was about.

LOTS OF PEOPLE make mistakes. People are all the time stumbling into the Register-Guard building, thinking it's the bus depot.

PT FOR CHILDREN'S DAY this isn't a particularly festive affair Friday, the 18th, marks the 139th anniversary of the city of Waterloo, but the police department thus far has said nothing about roping off the streets for dancing.

MORE THING ABOUT this week. Today (Sunday) the NRA, it survived, would be 21.

NEWS BRIEFS

IDENTS OF GAMEBIRD... and surrounding area are... to Willakenzie School... 7 p.m. to discuss development of the Gamebird park.

EUGENE BARRACKS OF Veterans of W. W. I. will meet Monday at 8 p.m. at the Barracks Hall, 7th Ave. Delegates will be elected to the state meeting at June 19.

UNITED LUTHERAN Church... its Daily Vacation... School, June 14-25, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Children from four to 12 through the sixth grade enroll.

ELMET LODGE No. 33... of Pythias will confer... Bank of Page, Monday 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Lawrence St.

TRAVELOGUE with slides... by Glenn Sims... Friendly House Sunday, 8 p.m.

NEWS STORY last week... the Springfield Public Library "Story Hour" was to be on Wednesdays. Actually program will be presented 10 to 11 a.m. on Thursdays, beginning July 1.

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE... will be conferred on Richard Baker of Eugene from University of Oregon Medical School on June 18th.

BACKS RAIDED... Belfast, Northern Ireland (a group of 15 men wearing British uniforms raided a British barracks at pistol point Saturday and escaped with a truckload of rifles, automatic weapons and ammunition.

GOP, Demos Set For Reorganizing

Oregon's two major political parties are getting ready to reorganize themselves for the next two years. County and state officers, who must be reelected or replaced this summer, were giving serious thought Saturday to the advisability of running again, and to the matter of a time and place for the committee meetings the law requires.

The basic unit of party organization is the county central committee—made up of one precinct committeeman and one precinct committeewoman from each of Lane County's 213 election precincts. Many precincts have vacancies for these offices, and, in that case the committee functions without them until it can appoint precinct workers. In most precincts, however, these officers were elected at the May 21 primary election.

NOT YET DECIDED

The county committees must meet between now and July 6 to elect a chairman, vice chairman and other officers. Republican chairman William Bartle and Democratic Chairman Alison Wyson had not decided Saturday when or where to hold organization meetings, but both indicated they would announce them in the next few days.

Wyson is a candidate for reelection. He has been chairman of the county's Democrats since last winter when he was elected to succeed Dr. Jay C. Hicks, who resigned.

Bartle, the Republican, was cautious about describing himself as a candidate. He indicated he would do the job again, but said, "If anybody else wants the job real bad, they can have it." Bartle

Gather Items For Rotary's Benefit Sale

Auction items were piling up this weekend for the second annual Eugene Rotary Club auction to aid underprivileged children. The sale will be Wednesday.

Club members already had collected dishes, beds, chairs, hot water heaters, electrical appliances, bikes, plants, 25 sacks of groceries and many other items and were picking up more.

Rotarians, their friends, and public spirited citizens were donating. Those with auctionable items were asked to call 4-1211 or 5-0151 for pickup service. The items will be auctioned off Wednesday afternoon and evening at the fairgrounds by five local auctioneers who are donating their time.

Proceeds will go to aiding underprivileged children in and around Eugene.

Hours of the auction will be 2 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. until all goods are sold. It will be in the 4-H Building.

Boys Admit Theft

Six boys nine and 10 years of age have admitted taking baseballs and gloves valued at about \$91 from Civic Stadium June 6, according to Eugene city police.

Police said two gloves and eight baseballs were recovered. Still missing Saturday were 16 practice balls.

Most of the boys, all local youths, were given a lecture and released to a Eugene public school principal for advisement. Entry to the stadium was forced to procure the athletic equipment.

RED HOT IN MOSCOW

MOSCOW (U) — Moscow is having a heat wave. The mercury climbed to 87.8 degrees Friday, the hottest June 11 in 74 years, and it was just as hot Saturday.

Action Completed on O&C Bill

Lane Gets Closer to Share In \$7 Million 'Pot of Gold'

By MARVIN TIMS
Of The Register-Guard

Lane County, which has several times approached the base of the O&C controversy "rainbow" only to see it vanish because of a legal snarl, this week is closer to collecting a portion of the 7 million dollar pot of gold than ever before.

Congress has finally completed action on a bill which would release this amount—long owed by the government to Oregon's 18 O&C counties. Lane's share in the proposed distribution would be an estimated \$950,000.

The bill is now in the White House. A stroke of the pen by President Eisenhower stands between Lane County and nearly \$1 million. No estimates have been made, however on how long it will take to distribute the money once the bill is signed.

CENTER OF DISPUTE

The bill, formulated by Sen. Guy Cordon and Rep. Harris Ellsworth, puts 472,000 acres of O&C lands under management of the forest service. This acreage has long been the center of a jurisdictional dispute between the forest service and the Bureau of Land Management.

The question in the dispute for years has been whether the 472,000 acres should be administered by the Department of Agriculture as forest service lands or reversioned O&C railroad grant lands to be managed by the BLM.

Group Backs Oppenheimer

NEW YORK (U) — The council of the American Physical Society Saturday declared the refusal to restore Atomic Energy Commission clearance to Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer "will have an adverse effect on the utilization of scientists in government."

It noted the chief criticism against Oppenheimer was that his opinion on the hydrogen bomb differed from the one finally adopted. It added:

"If a man whose advice is sought must fear that his potential utility to the government may be challenged because his reasoned recommendations later become politically unpopular, he may be tempted to give advice that is politically safe rather than technically valid."

The statement included a description of the society, saying it was founded in 1890 and "includes among its ten thousand members virtually all of the nuclear physicists in the United States."

Dr. H. A. Bethe, president of the society, issued the statement. Bethe is a physics professor at Cornell University and worked during World War II on the atomic bomb project at Los Alamos, N. M.

Dinner Honors Forest Chief

J. R. Bruckart, retiring chief of the Willamette National Forest, will be honored June 24 by a dinner and reception at the Eugene Hotel.

Sponsors of the reception are the Eugene Chamber of Commerce forestry committee aided by the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's Assn., and the Western Forest Industry Assn.

The affairs will be in the Colonnade Room of the Eugene Hotel and will start at 6 p.m. A reception will be followed by a no-host buffet dinner.

Since seating capacity is limited, the Chamber requests reservations be made early by calling the Chamber office.



PERILOUS PENNIES plagued Eugene firemen in their second week of home inspections. Unsafe fuse boxes were found more frequently than any other home hazard. A penny like that shown above by Fireman Henry O. Boyles can destroy a home when used in place of a fuse plug. Too large a fuse can do the same thing. Firemen recommend 15 amp plugs for lighting circuits, and 20 amp plugs for outlet circuits. Firemen in Willakenzie, Springfield, Florence and Irving also are calling at all homes in their areas.

To the 18 O&C counties, the question has been one of great importance, for if they were O&C lands these counties would be entitled to 75 per cent of revenue from timber sales. If they were national forest lands, the counties would get only 25 per cent of the income.

75% OF RECEIPTS

The Cordon-Ellsworth bill handles the problem this way: The controverted lands will be administered by the forest service but the O&C counties will continue to derive 75 per cent of timber receipts.

All O&C counties except Clackamas are apparently satisfied with provisions of the Cordon-Ellsworth measure. Clackamas, however, has opposed settling the controverted lands issue through what it terms "compromise legislation."

Instead, Clackamas has fought to settle the issue through legal action and recently won a victory in the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals when that body ruled the government must distribute the controverted funds.

This high court also ruled that jurisdiction of the 472,000 acres of controverted land should rest with the BLM. Passage of the Cordon-Ellsworth bill, however, apparently would make the court decision "rather moot." But all the ramifications of the effect of legislation on the court decision have not yet been clarified.

DOOR LEFT OPEN

Clackamas County has taken the stand the controverted lands should be under jurisdiction of the BLM. A. W. Lafferty, Portland attorney and counsel for Clackamas in O&C matters, takes the position if the controverted lands are administered by the Forest Service, the door will be left open for later reducing the 75 per cent formula to 25 per cent.

The latest figures from the Forest Service show the fund contains \$7,582,087.34, of which the 18 counties would divide 75 per cent or \$5,686,565.50. Forest Service officials expect it to take some months to work out the procedure for actual disbursement of the funds.

Final passage by the House last week came with unexpected suddenness on Wednesday after it ran into difficulty on Monday. Here is what happened both on the floor and behind the scenes in the congressional cloakroom.

"CONSENT CALENDAR" Ellsworth's bill which had been reported favorably by the House Interior Committee was among those bills listed on the "consent calendar"—the docket on which minor bills are frequently passed by unanimous consent of the House membership.

Monday was consent calendar day, but when the O&C bill was called, an objection was raised by Rep. Victor Wickersham (D-Okla.) who said he was making the objection "on behalf of two colleagues." He did not name them. This meant the House passed over Ellsworth's bill and went on to the next one listed.

Wickersham explained to this reporter later that he had acted on behalf of two former congressmen, one of whom was Lafferty (who served in the House from 1911 to 1915). The other was Byron Scott, an ex-congressman from California from 1935-39, and now a practicing attorney here. Wickersham said Lafferty retained Scott to help fight his case for Clackamas County, whom Lafferty has represented as special counsel.

"CONSPIRACY"

Lafferty meanwhile had been circulating to members of Congress a petition calling for a congressional investigation of the entire O&C affair, but particularly what he charged was "a conspiracy" between Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. and "various public officials and private citizens in Oregon" to give the Forest Service jurisdiction over the O&C lands. Lafferty claimed Weyerhaeuser had "an entente cordiale built up over 50 years" with the Forest Service by which it will get "first call on timber from said lands."

Ellsworth took a ribbing from both Republican and Democratic leaders, including Speaker Joe Martin and former Speaker Sam Rayburn who each received a copy but didn't take it seriously. Failing in the effort to get an investigation, or to raise doubts that would force the O&C bill to a standstill in the remaining weeks before Congress adjourns, Lafferty asked Wickersham to object to Ellsworth's bill when it came up.

After Wickersham held up the bill Monday, Ellsworth told him it really would only serve to delay favorable action on the bill, inasmuch as he would immediately get the backing of the House Rules Committee to bring the bill up again under the regular order of business. That would mean it could be stopped only by majority vote.

"Mr. Ellsworth is a member of the Rules Committee," Wickersham said, "and so I know he could do it. I had done all I could for Mr. Lafferty."

In a quick about face that surprised even Ellsworth, Wickersham sought him out on Wednesday to explain that he would withdraw his objection.

The bill came up that same afternoon and was passed. Lafferty's resourcefulness was bested by Ellsworth by virtue of the strong position he has secured in the House in a dozen years of service for Southwest Oregon—much of that time spent nursing the controverted O&C bill to its ultimate destiny as the law of the land. The last step, President Eisenhower's signature, remains only a formality to the achievement of that goal.

BIRTHS

AT SACRED HEART HOSPITAL (June 9, 1954)
BODEN—Mr. and Mrs. Wayne S. Boden, 3100 County Farm Rd., Eugene, a son.
CROW—Mr. and Mrs. James M. Crow, 3935 South Willamette St., Eugene, a son.

HALVERSON—Mr. and Mrs. Dale J. Halverson, 112 North 4th St., Springfield, a son.
HARGROVE—Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hargrove, 1785 E. 19th Ave., Eugene, a son.
JONES—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence S. Jones, 475 West L. St., Springfield, a son.

McGRADY—Mr. and Mrs. Byron M. McGrady, Box 93, Coburg, a daughter.
MERKLEY—Mr. and Mrs. Darrell P. Merkley, Box 235, Riddle, a daughter.
PERKINS—Mr. and Mrs. Eberle N. Perkins, 3036 River Rd., Eugene, a daughter.

ROBINSON—Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Robinson, 551 W. 13th Ave., Eugene, a son.
ROGERS—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie G. Rogers, 457 Lone Oak Ave., Eugene, a daughter.

AGEE—Ida C. Agee, 68 N. Wash. St., Eugene, died Friday. Services will be Monday, 2 p.m. at Poole-Larsen Chapel.
VOLSKIE—Ida Volskie, 82, 340 W. 7th St., Eugene, died Friday. Private services were held Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at the Poole-Larsen Chapel. The remains were sent to Stanton, Neb., for final services.

OWENS—Lyle N. Owens, 57, 1024 Mill St., died Thursday. Funeral services will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Monday, 11 a.m.

ROLAND—E. Andrews, 22, Creswell and Carole S. King, 21, 4040 Dillard Road, Eugene.
MERRILL D. Zilkoski, 20, and Mary L. Horowitz, 18, both of Creswell.
Glenn L. Logure Jr., 18, and Lorraine Ann Martin, 19, both of Eugene.

DEATHS

WASHINGTON (U) — President Eisenhower has accepted the resignation of Edward T. Wailes from his post as assistant secretary of state for personnel and administration. The White House said only that Wailes, a career foreign service officer, has asked for an overseas assignment. However, there have been persistent rumors that Wailes was dissatisfied with the arrangement of responsibilities as between himself and Scott McLeod. McLeod was brought into the department by Secretary Dulles as chief security officer and for many months he also had charge of personnel. No effective date was placed on the Wailes resignation, pending completion of work he has in progress, a White House spokesman said. When it does become effective, Wailes will remain in the department but not with the rank of assistant secretary which he has held since May, 1953.

Local Boys Elected As Junior Counselor

Lawrence Hughes, of Eugene, was one of six youths selected Saturday as 1955 junior counselors for outstanding work in the session of Boys' State held in Salem this past week.

Tom Bourgeois, of Springfield, was named as an alternate counselor.

Fred De Vos of Medford was selected as Boys' State Citizen of 1954 at an awards breakfast and final session of Beaver Boys State at the capitol Saturday morning. Earlier, Mark Earle of Portland was selected governor of Boys' State.

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