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TREES, PAVING AND COSTS

A little more than 31 years ago when paving for a few of the better built-up streets of Bend was under consideration, home owners along Congress street were appalled at the possibility that improvement there would mean destruction of some unusually fine juniper trees. These stood virtually in the center of the right of way and, even with the light traffic of the day, engineering standards could hardly be satisfied if obstructions of the kind remained. It was something of a question but the tree lovers won out. An "island" was left in the paving and the junipers, protected by their own cement curbs, carried on until August 6, 1952.

Then more extensive repair of the old paving than usual was under way. The space in the center was needed if Congress street was to handle its traffic effectively. Down came the junipers; out went the island. It will be a safer street as a result and only slightly less attractive.

Checking for us on some of the details of the paving jobs of 31 years ago—those were the days of the Western Willite Road Construction Company, which, to the best of our recollection was formed solely for the purpose of operating in Bend, dissolving shortly after it had finished its last contract here—Walter T. Thompson, city recorder, ran into some figures which amazed him. We are sure that they will prove interesting to most of our readers whether these have already paid for paving or merely expect to do so some day.

The original paving of Congress street was assessed to the property in 1921 at the rate of \$254.86 for each 50 foot lot. The paved width of the street was only 24 feet.

In 1950 the City of Bend did more than a little paving on its own account, with its own crew and equipment. The job on East Franklin, presenting the greatest difficulties, came to \$217.93 for each 50 foot lot. The paved width of the street was 36 feet, just 50 per cent greater than on Congress.

A dollar, mind you, is worth a lot less nowadays than it was at the start of the twenties—or have you noticed? But just in terms of dollars, regardless of their comparative values in 1921 and 1950, the City of Bend was doing at least one-half more work for the same price in the later year. Also, we suggest, it was doing it considerably better.

Perhaps the city will be permitted to lay some more paving some day.

GRASS AND HALOGETON

On Friday there closes the county phase of the "Grassman of the Year" contest. A majority of the 36 Oregon counties are entered and from the winner in each will be chosen the state's leading grassman. Similar contests are being held in Washington and Idaho. The region winner, top grassman in the three states, will be named at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in the fall.

This is the second year of operation of this "Grass Is Gold" program initiated by the agricultural committee of the Portland chamber of commerce. Whether there are any central Oregon entrants we do not know. If there are none we hope that another year will find contestants in each of the three counties, Crook, Jefferson and Deschutes. Substantial prizes make winning very much worth while and, certainly, special effort devoted to the improvement of farm grass land brings returns even though no prize is won.

This promotion of grass production, so far as the sage brush counties are concerned, comes at an opportune time. This is so because there is advancing into their areas a stock-killing weed, halogeton, and the reseeding of the ranges stops the weed and restores the feeding capacity of the land.

Halogeton is a weed first observed a few years ago in Nevada. It is a stock-killer of the worst sort. Already southern Idaho ranges have become infested. Southeastern Oregon ranges are vulnerable. So serious is the threat of the weed that congress appropriated \$2,000,000 for halogeton control last year and a like amount has been provided for use in the current fiscal year.

Grass is, indeed, gold and when it provides not only feed but also stops the spread of the enemy, halogeton, it has a double value.

Washington Column

By PETER EDSON
(NEA Washington Correspondent)

WASHINGTON—Extensive digging into Virginia political records, since the great battle of the Chicago Democratic convention over the seating of the Virginia delegation, has turned up a number of surprising gimmicks.

If all the facts now known had been fully understood at Chicago, there is some question as to whether the result would have been what it was.

The big issue at stake was of course Virginia's refusal to sign the loyalty pledge, promising to support all future actions of the Chicago convention majority, whatever they might be.

In his dramatic speech before the Chicago convention, Gov. John S. Battle of Virginia declared over the roar of the crowd, "We believe in the freedom exemplified by Thomas Jefferson in whose county I happen to live. We are not going to sign any pledge that will jeopardize that freedom." And Virginia delegates were excused from signing.

What the Chicago convention did not know, however, was that every Democratic candidate for a public job in Virginia was required to sign a pledge of loyalty before he could run for that office in the state primary.

The \$54 question which this Pledge of Honor raises is why a similar pledge of loyalty should not have been required of the Virginia delegates to the Chicago convention, if it were all right to exact such an oath of Virginia candidates for state offices?

Still another question raised by the Virginia Pledge of Honor is whether it does not automatically require every Democrat who signed it to support the Democratic national ticket in the November election?

Lawyers are arguing both ways

on that one. The out seems to be that signers of the pledge would be required to support only those national candidates which the Democratic party of Virginia designated as Democrats.

If the Democratic state convention of Virginia were reconvened—and it could be under the Virginia law—it might declare Gov. Adlai Stevenson and Sen. John Sparkman did not represent the Democratic party of Virginia as presidential and vice-presidential candidates. That would excuse Virginians from supporting them, in spite of any loyalty pledges to the contrary.

On top of all this, it can now be revealed that a protest was made to the Credentials committee of the Democratic National Convention in Chicago, charging that the Virginia delegates had not been legally certified to the convention. The substance of the protest was this:

The Democratic National Convention handbook, page 29, requires that "the names of all delegates and alternates are certified to the national convention not less than 15 days prior to the opening of the convention."

The Democratic convention opened in Chicago July 21. The deadline of 15 days prior to that opening would be July 6. But the Virginia Democratic convention was not held in Roanoke until July 17, after the July 15 primary, and its delegates were chosen then, after the deadline.

This is admittedly a technicality. But it is the sort of technicality which has been employed all along in the steadily widening split between the southern Democrats and the northern factions of the party.

"Bulletin Classified Ads Bring Results."

"—But All Candidates Pose With Fish"



Officials Contradict Each Other Over Rising Prices

By MAUREEN GOTHLIN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (AP)—High officials of the Truman administration were contradicting each other right and left Wednesday on the subject of rising prices.

Some capital quarters thought the President himself might have to step in soon to break up the public feuding between Price Stabilizer Ellis Arnall, Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer, and Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan.

Gov. Adlai Stevenson, the Democratic presidential nominee, took himself neatly out of the row which began broiling up last week when

Arnall went to the White House to plump for a special session of Congress to strengthen price controls.

Stevenson, at the end of his visit here Tuesday, announced through a spokesman that he feels that "any decision on a special session will have to be made by the people here who know whether it is desirable or necessary."

Mr. Truman, who has full constitutional authority to call Congress back any time he thinks necessary, has said only that he is considering Arnall's suggestion. Arnall has told Mr. Truman—and the public—that food prices are about to "get out of hand," partly as a result of the long drought in farming areas.

Brannan promptly called in reporters to say that was nonsense. He said the drought would have little effect on overall food production and prices.

Tuesday, Sawyer stepped forth to take a poke at Arnall. He disclosed that his Commerce Department had conducted a little survey of its own and found "no widespread price increases" as a result of the drought.

This announcement raised a number of eyebrows around the capital, because checking up on crop damage and food prices is not normally a Commerce Department function.

Sawyer went on to say that people, meaning Arnall, should be careful "to make sure that facts rather than fancy are presented to the American public."

Among the highlights of the Commerce Department's findings in various areas:

KENTUCKY — Distillery industry eventually will be affected due to lack of grain and possibly water.

MISSOURI — Tomatoes, sweet corn and potatoes in short supply and high in price; about 15 per cent of farm workers migrated to other areas.

INDIANA, ILLINOIS, WISCONSIN — Drought conditions not considered serious.

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Commies Accused of Placing Prisoners' Lives in Danger

PANMUNJOM, Korea, Aug. 13 (AP)—The United Nations accused the Communists Wednesday of endangering the lives of United Nations war prisoners by refusing to tell where they are held.

Maj. Gen. William K. Harrison, chief Allied truce delegate, demanded that the Communists disclose where they have built six new prisoner of war camps in North Korea. He also asked for the number of prisoners now in use.

"Failure to provide this information promptly endangers the lives of United Nations personnel in your custody," Harrison told North Korean Gen. Nam Il in a note. "We request this information without further delay."

It was the second time Harrison has asked for the same information. He inquired first Friday.

The Communists changed the prison camps last June. They abolished three camps and built six new ones. The Allies want to know where they are to avoid hitting them in bombing attacks on Communist targets.

Among the prisoners moved was Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, former commander of the U. S. 24th division. The Communists have given no information about his whereabouts.

Harrison's note was handed the Communists at a meeting of liaison officers. Two other notes, both signed by Col. Charles W. McCarthy, senior Allied liaison officer,

also were handed over.

In one, McCarthy admitted it was "entirely possible" U. N. artillery was responsible for four shell fragments found Aug. 3 inside the neutral zone at Panmunjom. He said he found that at 2 p.m. on that day Allied artillery was firing in the area south of the conference site.

McCarthy said in the second note the U. N. recognized it was possible some of its planes flew over Panmunjom Sunday and Monday. He said if the pilots responsible for the Monday flight can be found, "disciplinary action will be taken."

He said an investigation failed to show Allied planes flew over Panmunjom Aug. 4, as the Communists charged.

Col. Chang Chun San in a new formal protest charged U. N. aircraft flew over Panmunjom Tuesday morning and asked the Allies to "earnestly restrain" U. N. planes in the area.

FINES IMPOSED

A number of fines were imposed by Police Judge Alvin J. Grey in city police court yesterday evening. George Woods, charged with disturbing the peace, was fined \$50 with \$15 of the fine suspended. Elmer L. Mackey, charged with driving an automobile that had expired license plates, was fined \$5. Eli F. Misner was fined \$5, with \$2 of the fine suspended, on a charge of failing to stop his automobile at a stop sign. Kenneth D. Smith, charged with driving an automobile while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, was fined \$135, and his driver's license was suspended for three months. Fines of \$250 for watering lawns and gardens out of hours were imposed on C. L. Ernst, R. A. O'Hearn, H. Parsyck and R. S. Hamilton.

LONG LETTER

CHICAGO, Aug. 13 (AP)—Mary Genshorek, 19, who made the front pages last May when she sent a 50-foot letter to her soldier boy friend, has a second 50-footer in the mail—it details the plans for their forthcoming marriage.

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