



Junior Defents Title—Billy Boag, 14-year-old cowboy from Lakeside, rode in 1948 Dayton Buckaroo. Billy won 1949 Oregon Junior cowboy championship, and is expected to ride again in the 1949 Dayton Buckaroo against senior cowhands. The Dayton event is set for July 23 and 24 with performances in the afternoon of each day.

Krug Opposes Sale of Public Power to Private Utilities

Washington, July 15 (AP)—Secretary of the Interior Krug states that he is opposed to letting Columbia river valley voters select the directors who would administer a proposed Columbia Valley administration.

In reply to a question by Rep. McDonough (R-Calif.), Krug told the house public works committee:

"It is of paramount importance that the president and congress retain control of a program requiring such large federal expenditures."

Krug said he believes three directors would be enough and "the three best qualified men in the country" should be chosen without regard to where they live.

The bill to set up a CVA would require two of the directors to be residents of the area.

Under cross examination on his testimony supporting a CVA, Krug told the committee:

1. He opposes sale of public power to private utility companies at any federal dam because it could give a private utility company a monopoly over power distribution.

2. He does not want the proposed CVA to have power of condemnation of private power companies.

3. He does not favor retail sale of power by the government.

4. Municipalities and cooperatives who distribute public power can not build transmission lines to the government dams and the government should construct the backbone transmission systems.

5. The Hoover commission recommendation for a department of public works to consolidate the work of the army engineers and reclamation bureau would be an improvement over the present river basin development system but should not be used in the Pacific northwest in place of a CVA.

6. The CVA should report directly to the president until such time as creation of other regional river agencies makes it an impossible burden for the president to handle. Then, he said, a cabinet officer may have to be named to handle river authorities.

7. He wants to "keep politics out of the CVA" and "wouldn't care if all the directors are republicans."

Overtime Racket Hit by Congress

Washington, July 15 (AP)—Congress sent to President Truman today legislation saying overtime pay should be based on regular wages instead of so-called premium pay. The measure kills some 26,000 claims workers have pending for back pay.

Capitol Hill action was completed when the house, by a standing vote of 207 to 52, accepted senate amendments to the so-called "overtime on overtime" bill.

Some opponents shouted "robbery" and "grand larceny."

Estimates of the amount of back pay claims involved ran as high as \$300,000,000. This figure was given by Rep. McConnell (R., Pa.).

The senate amendments made the bill much broader than the one originally passed by the house.

The 15 pennants won by the New York Yankees since they won their first in 1921 make up a major league record total.

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Court House Plans Studied

Tentative approval was given to floor plans of the proposed new courthouse building at a three-hour session of the courthouse building commission Thursday afternoon which will permit Pietro Belluschi, architect to prepare a mass drawing of the interior when it will finally be decided whether the building will proceed on a design with the upper floors cut in or be switched over to a cube-shaped structure which is favored by some.

The architect pointed out that the building as now planned with the cutbacks in the upper stories is preferable for lighting and air conditioning and that additions could be made more economically to such a building than to the other type.

Much of the time of the meeting was taken discussing various minor alterations and it is considered now, in a general way, that the interior plans are about perfected in case the present design of the building is retained.

New Appointment for Capt. Thomas Massey

Capt. Thomas J. Massey, U. S. army recruiter, who came to Salem in February of 1946 to begin a tour of duty at the recruiting station here, which was broken only by temporary duty in Medford last spring as commander of that station, this week received word of his appointment as plans and training officer at the Portland main army and air force recruiting station.

The captain, an army man since April 6, 1922, and stationed at Camp Adair for a time during the war with the replacement depot there, in his new position will make inspection trips not only to Salem, Oregon City, Vancouver and McMinnville, but into eastern Oregon and Washington.

State Employees Schedule Picnic

The first "annual festival" of the Oregon State Employees association for members and their wives in the Salem area will be held at Champeog state park, August 21, according to decision reached by the planning committee of the organization.

The festival program will include a picnic, varied entertainment and speakers of prominence in state affairs.

Brannan Drops Wheat Quotas

Washington, July 15 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Brannan said today that plans for invoking marketing quotas on the 1950 wheat crop have been dropped.

But he said acreage allotments—which are less restrictive in their effect on production—will be imposed on growers in a move to get a downward adjustment in the grain crop from high war and postwar levels.

The 1950 national acreage allotment was set at 68,000,000 acres. This is a reduction of about 14,000,000 acres, or about 17 per cent, from the record 83,100,000 acres planted to this year's crop.

Last of Chimney Sweeps

Windsorham, England, July 15 (AP)—The last of the boy chimney sweeps of Charles Dickens England is dead.

Joseph Lawrence died in his Surrey cottage. He was 104 and reportedly the second oldest man in the country. As a boy, he climbed flues stark naked to clean them with a handbrush.

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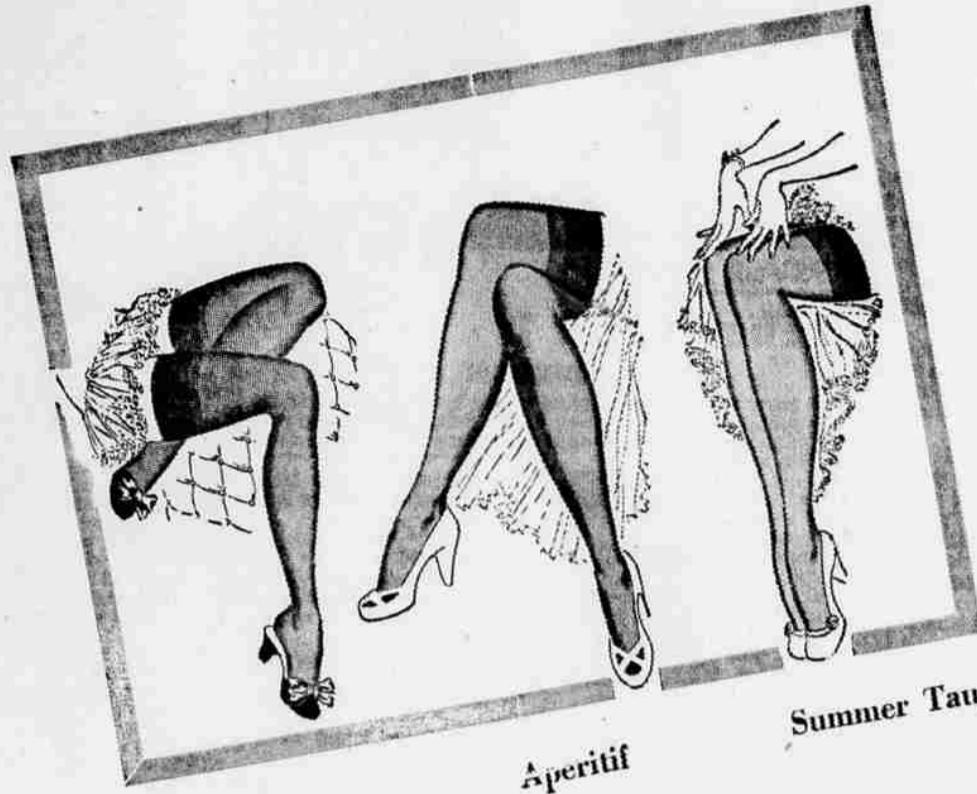
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