

DECKER-AND-HALF JOB HAS THE WORKS

Super Cross-Country Bus Takes Off on Maiden Trip

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Washington, Aug. 26 (AP)—Going cross-country on a bus soon will be as comfortable, almost, as going cross-country in anything else.

A number of things have been added. Continental Trailways, with headquarters in Dallas, exhibited a crimson-and-cream sample here Wednesday, just before they gassed her up and headed west on the maiden trip.

Burt Here to Manage Store

Recently moving here from southern California, is George W. Burt to take over the management of the local Metropolitan store, 136 North Commercial street.

Mr. Burt who was born and schooled in Mississippi, went to Santa Monica, Calif., as a young man and started working as a stock man for S. H. Kress & Co. Two years later he was transferred to Oakland, Calif., where he became assistant manager and after two years there was made manager of the store in Eureka, Calif., remaining there until entrance into the army.

Burt spent nearly four years in the Army Air Corp, 33 months of it being overseas duty in the North African, Italian and European campaigns.

Since being discharged after the recent war he has been manager of a variety store in southern California.

He has been an interested member of the Elks for 10 years and enjoys a good football or baseball game.

Though having arrived in Salem only a few days ago he believes this to be the busiest section on the coast and certainly one of the most beautiful.

BPA Rates to Be Upped in '54

Spokane, Aug. 26 (AP)—An increase in wholesale electric power rates was predicted for about 1954 by Dr. Paul J. Raver, Bonneville power administrator.

Raver made the prediction in answer to a question at a public power conference sponsored by Commissioners' association.

He said the BPA will have earned \$60,000,000 over expenses by 1954 but in that year revenues probably will start falling under expenses. The agency's surplus goes into the federal treasury as earned.

Raver said he hoped there would be no need for a "voluntary brownout" in the Pacific northwest next winter.

Grand Coulee dam will have 260,000 kilowatts more capacity than it had last winter when power had to be conserved during peak periods, he said.

Sales of power, he added, are at a record high, but not as high as they were predicted two years ago to become.

Economist Calls It 'Temporary Boomlet'

Portland, Aug. 26 (AP)—We are now in what one economist calls a "temporary boomlet". That means that business is better and will continue improving for a while, John K. Langum, economist and vice-president of the federal reserve bank of Chicago, said here.

He added that it even could be the start of a full recovery. "My own guess is that it's very likely temporary. I think we're going down some more. The bottom may be reached next year, but it will be no more than a recession—no major decline," he said.

Bookmaker's Lament

Redwood City, Cal., Aug. 26 (AP)—Harold John Fisher, 29, San Mateo, today protested his arrest on charges of bookmaking.

"It's the only way I have of making a living," he complained.



Hand Raised—Mme. Henri Bonnet, wife of the French Ambassador in Washington, holds a fledgling cardinal which fell from its nest and is being raised by the staff.



Rites Saturday—Mrs. Fay Bragg, prominent former resident of Silverton who died in Palm Springs, Calif., will be buried here Saturday with funeral services from the memorial chapel of the Ekman funeral home at 1:30 o'clock.

Welfare Board Removal Urged

A demand for dismissal of the state public welfare commission came today as an aftermath of the controversy on whether aged pensioners would be allowed automobiles.

State Sen. Joe E. Dunne and Floyd K. Dover, leaders of old age pensioners here, said they would carry the demand to Governor McKay Tuesday.

They also said they would take to court the case of Logan Fields, 78, turned down by the welfare commission in his plea to keep a car. Fields said he needed his 1937 auto to get to the store.

Gov. McKay Thursday demanded a complete file of the Field's case for study stating in his opinion each individual case should be handled on its own merit.

Quakes Continue In Alaskan Area

(By the Associated Press) Continued rumblings of Mother Earth were reported last night. Petersburg, in southeastern Alaska, reported a slight earth tremor at 8:30 p.m.

Meanwhile, Capt. Ernest Fosse of the USAT James O'Hara reported last night on the ship's arrival from Japan that it encountered a severe bump and momentarily boiling waters at 10:48 p.m. (PST) Tuesday night.

"It felt almost as if we had struck some heavy object just under the surface," he said.

William the Conqueror, who defeated the English in 1066 at the Battle of Hastings, brought with him smiths skilled as horseshoers and armorers.

East Salem Social Affairs Scattered Over Calendar

East Salem, Aug. 26.—Several social activities were on the calendar for East Salem groups this week.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Fine of Bremerton were the honored guests for a covered dish supper Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Proudfoot on Hollywood drive, in observance of their 31st wedding anniversary.

Present were the Rev. and Mrs. George Norworthy; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Millican and daughter, Sheryll; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hansen, Sr., and son, Bernard; Mrs. Stewart Johnson and children, Calvin, David and Roger of Bennet, Nebraska; Mrs. Clara Colley; Mrs. Dora Dewey; Mrs. E. Dunn; Mrs. Bert Keller; Mrs. Laura Barham; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barham and Dan; Rev. and Mrs. John Walker; Mr. and Mrs. Emory Goode; Wayne and Yvonne; Mr. and Mrs. Phillip McHarnes and Steve; Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Freisen; Mr. and Mrs. Davis Williams; Mr. and Mrs. Elzy Hauser; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd White and Jean; Mr. and Mrs. William Zimmerman and Bonnie and Curtis; Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Van Tassel and Raymond; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barham and Michael; Mrs. Helen Emmert; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gwynn and Linda; and Mr. and Mrs. Proudfoot. Rev. Fine was minister of the Salem Free Methodist church for two years but is now in evangelistic work throughout the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. William Massey entertained members of their birthday club at their Middle Grove home. Enjoying a covered dish supper were Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Keppinger, Gayle and Toni; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Scharf; Mr. and Mrs. John Cage; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scharf; Mr. and Mrs. John Van Laanen and Dale; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Jaffee and Mr. and Mrs. Massey.

The Womens Society for World Service met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Roy Scofield in Middle Grove with 12 members and guests, Mrs. Harry Wilson and daughter, Mrs. William Massey and Mrs. John Cage present. Plans have been made for a childrens hour at each of the meetings with some member in charge for a story hour. This will enable mothers with young children to attend the regular meetings. The first of these hours was held Tuesday with Mrs. William Scharf adult leader. There were four children present for the first meeting. Devotions were led by Mrs. Cleo Keppinger and special scripture lessons by Mrs. William Massey on the older scriptures and Mrs. John Van Laanen the new testament. The prayer of gratitude was given by Mrs. John Cage. Special topics for the program were, "Literacy" and "Literature," or "Sharing Our Experiences in a Period of Testimony" led by Mrs. Keppinger. Special topics were given by Mrs. Emory Goode, "Daily Bible Readings"; "The Bible Book of the Month," Mrs. Scofield; "Instructive Points in My Reading," Mrs. Anna Wirsching; "Why I Enjoy Reading the Word Evangelical," Mrs. Lena Bartruff; and

the closing challenge to Christians by Mrs. Keppinger, "Read and You Will Know, and Love and Serve." The September meeting will be an afternoon meeting with Mrs. Bartruff.

CIO Fishermen Reject Bridges

Cordova, Aug. 26 (AP)—Cordova district leaders of the CIO fishermen union declared today it would refuse to join in any merger with the Harry Bridges-led Longshoremen's union.

The local has directed a circular to all other affiliates of the International Fishermen and Allied Workers of America. It stated that if the International votes for a merger with the CIO Longshoremen, the Cordova union will withdraw from it.

Observers viewed the stand of the Cordova local as the possible makings of a future inter-union feud in Alaska.

Stayton Completing Bean Harvest Soon

Stayton, Aug. 26.—About two more weeks will wind up the 1949 snap bean pack at the Stayton Canning Company, Cooperative, according to F. M. Smith, manager, who said that the night shift was discontinued Saturday.

This year's pack was said to be larger by about ten per cent than last year's. After Labor day the cannery will start processing corn and prunes, Smith said.

At the present time there are approximately 275 employed at the cannery, while a total of 550 people are on the payroll when two shifts are working at peak capacity.

Lifer Still Sought

Walla Walla, Aug. 26 (AP)—Escaped Lifer George Madison still had his freedom today, as authorities pressed the search for the Spokane county slayer into northeastern Oregon.

Madison slipped away from the state penitentiary here Wednesday night with three companions. All but Madison were recaptured. The quartet used a tunnel which they dug from the prison yard to a spot near the highway.

Rivalry Among Mayors Strong

Ilwaco, Wash., Aug. 26 (AP)—Reports from throughout the northwest today showed that rivalry is running high and side bets are piling up for the fourth annual mayors' salmon fishing derby here Saturday.

Sectional rivalry between the mayors of Oregon and Washington is particularly strong, but a few grudge battles between individual mayors may develop into great fishing battles.

Events of the derby will include: the mayoralty free-for-all, with the trophy going to the municipal chief catching the largest salmon; the association of Washington cities, represented by Commissioner C. W. Martin of Walla Walla, versus the league of Oregon municipalities, represented by Mayor George Peavy of Corvallis; and a new feature pitting the mayors of capital cities Olympia, Wash., Salem, Ore., Boise, Ida., and Helena, Mont., against each other.

Mayor Robert L. Elfstrom of Salem is present holder of the trophy for capital city mayors and professes to believe he will return it to Salem again. The trophy is offered by the Salem Chamber of Commerce.

Four Injured in Albany Auto Crash

Albany, Aug. 26 (AP)—Four persons were injured in a high-way collision last night in which one car crashed across a ditch and into a field while the other fled the scene.

The four hurt, all Californians bound for home, were Mrs. Nettie Hodopp, about 60, Sebastopol; her daughter, Mrs. Bruce Hamor, 29, Santa Rosa, and Mrs. Hamor's children, Faye, 6, and James Walter Hamor, 2.

Mrs. Hodopp was the most seriously hurt. She suffered chest injuries and a possible skull fracture. Mrs. Hamor had a broken pelvis. The children suffered minor injuries.

Queen Anne School Property Damaged

Lebanon, Aug. 25.—Extensive damage, believed the work of grade school age children, to the scout house at Queen Anne school, was reported this week by Mrs. E. H. Bohle, local girl scout executive.

Window glass in the scout house and also in Queen Anne school, were broken, 50 panes being shattered and the use of a heavy object employed to destroy the wooden frames around the windows.



Ma and Pa Kettle—Marjorie Main, who "just missed" the list of "best dressed" women, warns Percy Kilbride to get some new underwear. The lovable comedy team appears in Universal-International's "Ma and Pa' Kettle," repeating the roles they created in "The Egg and I." Now at Warner's Capitol theater.



Betty Field, Alan Ladd and Ruth Hussey are co-stars in "The Great Gatsby" with Macdonald Carey, Barry Sullivan and Howard Da Silva. The Paramount picturization of F. Scott Fitzgerald's famous novel is now entertaining audiences at the Elsinore theater. Drama features the dynamic Shelley Winters.

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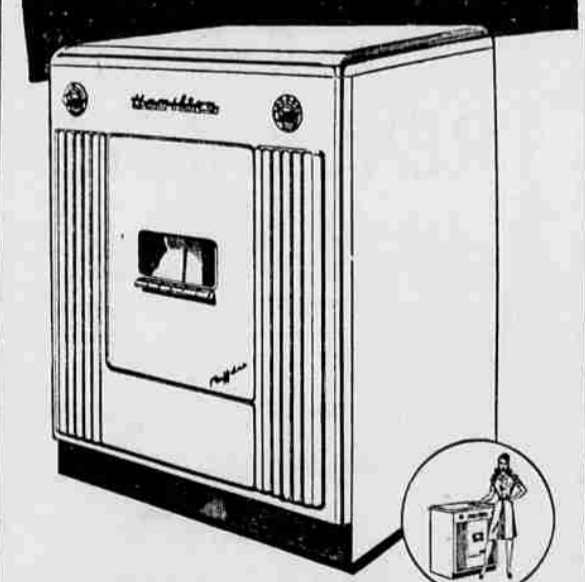
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