

### San Franciscans Puzzled Over Missing Blarney Stone

San Francisco, Nov. 8 (AP)—Who took the Blarney stone from St. Mary's cathedral? And was it the Blarney stone, anyway? It was a real puzzle for San Francisco's legion of professional Irishmen and politicians. The 15-pound chunk of rock vanished from under the eyes of 500 good Irishmen at a St. Mary's cathedral bazaar shortly before midnight Saturday.



Harry A. McDonald (above) succeeded Edmond M. Hanrahan as chairman of the Securities and exchange commission in Washington to become the first republican chairman of the 15-year-old commission. Hanrahan resigned to return to private business. (Acme Telephoto)

And the owner began to have a suspicion that maybe he hadn't got a real piece of stone from Blarney castle.

But whether or not the stone could impart the gift of gab to those who kissed it, the chunk of rock earned \$472 for the cathedral bazaar. Adults—many of them candidates for municipal office in tomorrow's election—shelled out two bits, children a dime, to kiss the stone.

Jim Cummings, custodian of the celebrated hunk of limestone, went to rub off the lipstick about 11:30 p.m.

"I dismissed the guards as I was about to take the stone home for the night," he said. "I left Jim Flaherty, a plainclothesman, in charge of it, and there's where I made my mistake. Flaherty turned his back on it for a second. When he turned around again, it was gone."

Cummings said he thought at first the theft was a gag pulled by Flaherty or other local politicians. However, all denied it solemnly.

Cummings said he was informed the owner of Blarney castle, George Colehurst, denied the San Francisco stone was not a piece of the original stone.

"I have documentary proof my stone is authentic," Cummings said.

This proof consisted of correspondence with his cousin, Pat Collins of Cork City, eight miles from the castle. Cummings asked Collins to chip off a piece of Blarney stone and send it over. Sure enough, the stone arrived here last week at the airport.

"I also got a picture of Pat standing in front of the castle with the stone in his hand and a cow off to one side eating grass."

Father John Lally, director of the church festival, said he did not see what possible use the stone could be to anyone.

"But then, if he uses it as intended, he might become talkative enough to give himself away!"

#### Guests Broten Home

Silverton — Sunday evening dinner guests of Mrs. Oscar Broten and her daughter, Mrs. Cora Graden of East Fifth street, were Mrs. George Hubbs and Mrs. R. A. McClanathan. Noon dinner guests of Mrs. Broten and Mrs. Graden were Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Johnson and Sandra.

### Boommens Seek Pay Increase

Seattle, Nov. 8 (AP)—The Boommens and Rafterers district council recommended yesterday that emphasis be placed on a health and welfare program, plus a "substantial" wage increase in 1949 negotiations with lumber industry.

The recommendation was submitted to the parent International Woodworkers of America (CIO), and asked that these two points be emphasized in negotiations for loggers and millworkers, as well as boommen.

The council urged that a strike ballot be conducted if "results are not shown early in negotiations."

### RFC Quietly Developing New Social Pattern to Its Loans

Washington, Nov. 8 (AP)—So quietly as to pass almost unnoticed, the reconstruction finance corporation has begun to develop a social pattern in its lending operations.

Loans to business by this government bank are being made generally in the interest of jobs, community welfare and the national economy under the obvious influence of the administration's spreading welfare program. They are loans that private banks won't make.

An example of what might be called an RFC loan with social significance was the \$6,000,000 advance to Waltham Watch Co. early this year.

Harley Hise, chairman of the RFC, defined its purpose this way in an interview today: The RFC considers its job to be

### Andrews Opens Office

Independence — Dr. F. W. Andrews, veterinarian, has opened his office at the corner of Fifth and F streets. Dr. Andrews is a graduate of the University of Colorado and he formerly lived in Stayton. He is married and has two children.

### Tech School Rolls Up

Klamath Falls, Ore., Nov. 8 (AP)—The Oregon Technical Institute announced today that all enrollment records were broken for the fall term with students totaling 659 and an average daily attendance exceeding 600. Eighteen students are women.

### Attention Loggers!

Top Prices Paid for Logs at **Burkland Lumber Co.** Turner, Ore. Ph. 1125

### Dog's Barking Reveals Burglar

Pendleton, Nov. 8 (AP)—Thoroughly admonished by his father, the police chief's son listened for once to the plaintive barking of Vicky, his female Cocker Spaniel.

When Don Lemons heard Vicky barking outside, he recalled that once before when some houses were entered in the neighborhood she had barked, but no one had paid any attention, except to scold the chief told his son then that if ever the Spaniel barked again to call headquarters.

Young Lemons did just that. In a few minutes, the police surrounded the house and found Ward L. Mitchell, 46, Ft. Ark. inside. Chief Lemons said that Mitchell confessed burglarizing the house. Not realizing it was next door to chief's home. He said it was his first attempt.

Mitchell was arraigned today on a burglary charge and locked in the county jail with bail set at \$2500.

### Vista House To Be Open Year Around

Portland, Nov. 8 (AP)—The Oregon highway commission today ordered a concessionaire at Vista House on Crown Point above the Columbia river gorge to remain open during the winter months.

Jack Flaucher told the commission that business had dropped off since opening of the new water level route. He asked permission to close the tourist facility January through March. Parks Director Sam Boardman was asked to check on traffic over the old route to determine whether the ruling should stand.

### U. S. Sweet Tooth Not What It Used To Be

Washington, Nov. 8 (AP)—America's sweet tooth isn't as sweet as it used to be. Candy consumption in 1949 is expected to be down to 16.7 pounds per person, compared with 18.2 pounds last year.

The commerce department does not endeavor to explain the drop, but noted that production of nickel candy bars has dropped 14 per cent in the past year, compared with a 53 per cent increase in 10 cent bars.

Grebes are usually called "dabchicks," "dihdappers," "hell divers" and "water witches." They are diving birds related to the loon family.



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