

Nurse Loses Savings, \$4,314, But All But \$297 Is Returned

Spokane, Feb. 6 (AP)—A 70-year-old nurse who lost her life savings of \$4,314 to purse snatchers last Nov. 29, has all but \$297 of it back today because a young telegraphy student was both curious and honest.

Papers Demand Better Policy

Longview, Wash., Feb. 6 (AP)—The tax research committee of the allied daily newspapers of Washington has sent out invitations for the creation of a state-wide committee to review the state's fiscal management policies, it was announced here today.

Chairman J. M. McClelland, Sr., publisher of the Longview Daily News, reported that the group, representing a cross-section of the state's economic structure, would meet for organization purposes in Seattle at the convenience of its members.

McClelland said that he believed organization of the committee would clarify much of state's financial situation.

The organization would not only review fiscal policies, but would also draft remedial procedures for consideration at the next legislature, McClelland said.

Truman Asked To Lead World

New York, Feb. 6 (AP)—President Truman was urged today to "take more affirmative leadership" toward halting international economic warfare and the arms race.

The plea was contained in a letter signed by 156 prominent citizens of 28 states. The letter was drafted by James P. Warburg, Henry B. Cabot, Henry W. Schacter, Norman Cousins, Stanley M. Isaacs, Hugh Satterlee and Robert E. Sherwood.

The signers "applauded" the "courage and confidence" with which Mr. Truman looked into the future.

"Nevertheless," their letter said, "We are deeply concerned over what appears to us the discrepancy between your affirmative attitude toward building the peace and the preponderantly negative emphasis in the foreign policies we are at present pursuing."

The letter asked the president to take two steps to "end the conditions in which military preparations must play so large a part in our total foreign policy effort."

and unable to work, was overwhelmed when police told her late yesterday her purse and money had been found by Reuben Anderson in the heavy snow covering the YMCA swimming pool roof.

"It is the most gratifying news I ever hoped to hear," she finally managed to say.

Anderson, a young war veteran from the Skagit valley of Washington, had been hired to clear the snow from the swimming pool roof. It was one of many odd jobs he has done to help him through telegraphy school.

He said he discovered a purse in a pile of snow and almost tossed it into an alley, when his curiosity prompted him to look inside. It contained \$4,017 in cash. Anderson promptly turned the purse over to police who found Miss Lewis' name inside.

The elderly woman had reported that she took her \$4,314 savings out of a safety deposit box November 29, intending to put it into a savings account—then, "like a child with a toy" decided to carry the money home.

On the way, she said, two men snatched her purse as she was crossing a viaduct near the YMCA.

Police were unable to account for the fact that the thieves took only \$297 before tossing the pocketbook on the roof.

Miss Lewis said she planned to reward Anderson, and he later said he had been promised \$200.

Incidentally, Miss Lewis is making certain that the money is in safe keeping until she can take it to a bank.

The police, at her request, put it in the department safe.

Young People Dine

Amity — Eighteen Baptist young folk from Amity held a progressive dinner. Starting at the Ted Lehman home, then to Ralph Konzelman's, McMinnville, they journeyed to the Ray Konzelman and Mrs. Evelyn Loops home west of Amity for dessert.

These were:

"1. To take more affirmative leadership toward halting economic warfare among the world's hard-pressed peoples, by bringing them together in a broad cooperative plan of reconstruction and resource development."

"2. To take the leadership in halting the arms race and in bringing about those conditions which will make eventual universal disarmament possible."

Boy Scouts Mark 40th Anniversary



Official poster marking the 40th birthday.

The 40th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America will be observed Feb. 6 to 12 in every part of the nation by more than 2,300,000 boys and adult leaders. "Strengthen Liberty" is the birthday theme. The Boy Scouts' "Crusade to Strengthen the Arm of Liberty" continues through 1950.

During Boy Scout Week, Units will hold "Crusade Night" meetings when 1949 Crusade Awards will be presented. Representing the 12 Scout Regions, 12 outstanding Boy Scouts will make a "Re-

port to the Nation" at Washington, D.C., where the Movement was incorporated Feb. 8, 1910. They will also take part in an impressive ceremony at Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

The highlight of 1950 will be the Second National Jamboree which will see 40,000 Scouts and Leaders camping together at Valley Forge, Pa., from June 30 to July 6, including Scouts of other lands.

Since 1910 more than 16,500,000 boys and men have been identified with the Boy Scouts of America.

Alaska Statehood Move Is Stronger

Juneau, Alaska, Feb. 6 (AP)—Nearly 100 prominent Americans have formed a committee to obtain statehood for Alaska, Robert B. Atwood, Anchorage, chairman of the official statehood committee of the territorial government, announced today.

Atwood said an enabling act to make a state of Alaska is now before congress, where action in the house of representatives is expected within a few days.

"Alaska statehood has been recommended by every committee of congress which has ever

investigated the question," Atwood said.

Members in the national committee include Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Eleanor Roosevelt, Adm. Richard E. Byrd, Eric Johnston, Eddie Rickenbacker and John Gunther.

Come for Anniversary

Unionvale—Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Coats of San Diego, Calif., are expected to be guests for several days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Coats, here to help celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.

North American corn production in 1949 was 46 per cent larger than the 1935-39 average.

Four Corners Mothers Club Offered Program at School

Four Corners, Feb. 6—Mrs. Harvey Meyer, president of the Mother's club conducted the meeting Friday at the Lincoln school (Four Corners). Some new furniture is being placed in the office and health rooms. Child care is provided for pre-school children. The club has plans under way for future public entertainment.

The children of the school presented the following program of folk dancing with Gary Pierpoint as master of ceremonies. John Lippold announced the first grade dance. The second graders gave "I See You" announced by Sherrill White. "The Glow Worm" by the third announced by Mary Hanson. The fourth, fifth and sixth combined with Dick Force as announcer presented the "Oklahoma Mixers". Hostesses were Mrs. Carol Capps, Mrs. Albert Brant, Mrs. Edward White, Mrs. Noel Schaberg, Mrs. Gerald DeBerry.

Mrs. James Haskell brought her mother as a guest, Mrs. Sam Noble of Portland.

In spite of the near zero weather twenty-one members attended the Four Corners Garden club on Thursday evening. Many of the ladies walked in lieu of risking driving their cars. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Warren Shraake. The program chairman, Mrs. David Behm presented Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Beckman from the Beckman Gardens on Glen Creek drive who gave an exceptionally fine instructive demonstration on the care and culture of chrysanthemums. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. George Bixler, Mrs. Andrew McEman, Mrs. Roy Case, Mrs. Frank South.

Hosts to the Saturday night Friendly Neighbors club were Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Snook. Pinochle was in play. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Arlo McLain, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Shraake, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Gilming, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Shraake. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Sunderlin with honors going to Mrs. McLain and C. O. Gilming.

Mrs. Manuel Tait left Thursday for her home in Tulare, Calif. She was a guest on the trip down of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Rouse of Eaton Rapids, Mich., who have been visiting relatives in Salem. They were formerly neighbors in Mich. Mrs. Tait has been a house guest of her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. G. Roach, 480 S. Elma ave., for two months. The Roach family moved here just before the holidays that they might be near Mr. Roach who is a patient at the T.B. hospital. He recently underwent surgery.

Friends of Mrs. G. M. Deen will be glad to know she has returned home from Salem General hospital where she was hospitalized for a few days. Lincoln school (Four Corners) had as their guests on

son; program, Cleo Keppinger and Mrs. John Van Laanen; song leader, Hubert Aspinwall, with Mrs. Jack Wikoff at the piano, and master of ceremonies John Van Laanen.

A no-host covered dish dinner will be served. Invitations have been sent to all men and boys who have been members of the troop since its organization and are extended through the press to any that might have been omitted in any way.

U. S. Ship to Evacuate Rest of Yanks in China

Hong Kong, Feb. 6 (AP)—An American ship is expected to evacuate from Communist China early in March American consular workers and all American civilians wishing to leave, an informant from Shanghai said on his arrival here today.

He said the vessel, probably an American President liner, is expected to arrive off Shanghai the first week in March. He said it probably would wait at the

mouth of the Shanghai for small craft to ferry passengers from Shanghai itself.

He estimated 800 American civilians would leave, in addition to consular staffs ordered out of communist China by the state department.

The Nationalists claim to have mined the Yangtze river. Although Shanghai shipping quarters doubt it, none is willing to test it. Only the narrow north channel is known to be clear of mines, and the small boats which will take the evacuees from Shanghai will use that.

Island Residents Home

Grand Island—Mrs. L. E. Penrose, 88, has returned to her home with the Roy Stoutenburgs after about two weeks spent with her son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nelson at Salem. Roy Stoutenburg has returned home after undergoing major operation at a McMinnville hospital. He spent five days at the home of her brother in law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. D. Lynn Gubser, at McMinnville.

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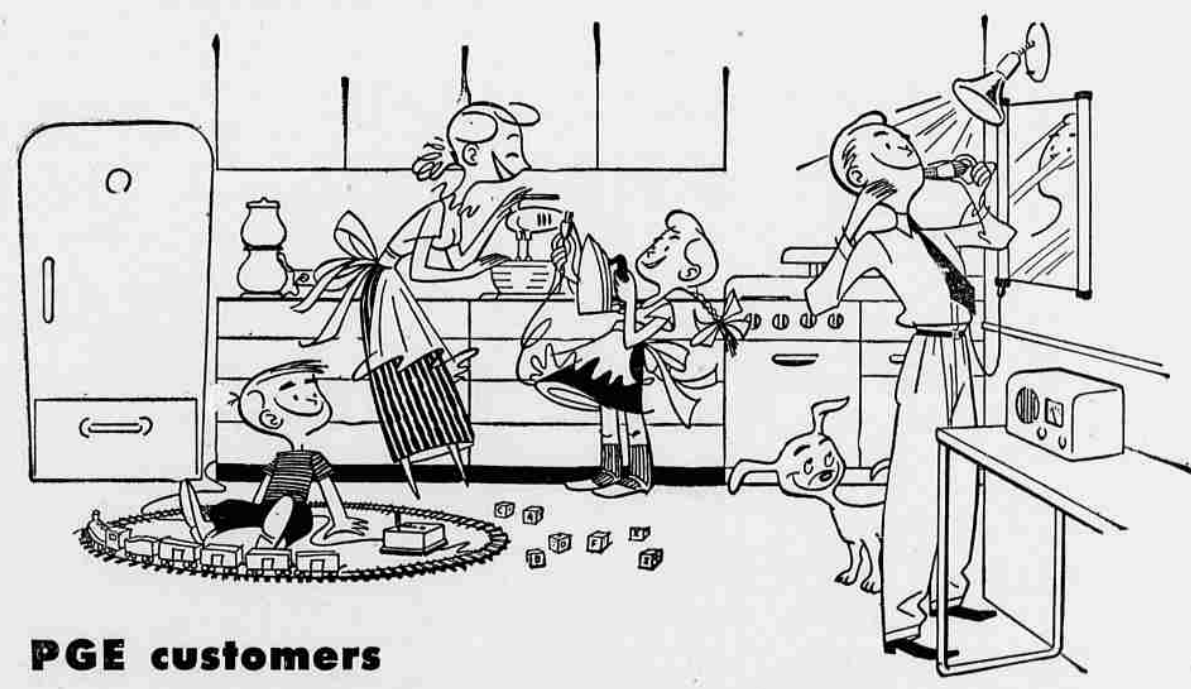
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