



**Canned Boys**—Getting in was easy, but it took San Jose, Calif., firemen armed with a hacksaw and bolt cutter to free little Leo Sanchez, 6, from the garbage can he thought such a fine place to hide during a hide-and-seek game. Firemen Jim Anderson (left) and Ralph Santoro cut Leo free. (AP Wirephoto.)

## Giant Keeps Sub-Freezing Vigil To Get His Name First on Ballot

By ROBERT ZIMMERMAN

Santa Fe, N. M., March 9 (AP)—Ingram Pickett got up this morning, stretched his seven-foot frame, and gave this statement to newsmen between yawns: "I'm not going to be frozen out."

Then he got back in his easy chair on the steps of the state capitol, nestled down in his quilt and old army blanket, and said:

"I'm not going to budge, either."

And so the towering member of the New Mexico corporation commission ended the first 24 hours of his sub-freezing vigil just outside the door of the secretary of state's office.

Pickett wants to make sure he is the first to register as a candidate for governor. If he is the first, he may get the choice spot on the ballot, at the top of the list of candidates.

He has four weeks to wait, and there's a possibility now that his frosty encampment will be useless.

Secretary of State Alicia Romero, besieged by other candidates who also want the favorable position on the ballot, said she might list candidates alphabetically instead of "first-come-first-served" as she has in the past.

However, she said she would announce her stand definitely at a later date. Her statement was enough to discourage three other candidates who spent the day outside her door. They went home, but Pickett stayed on.

"I'm not going to be squeezed out," he declared.

But he fudged just a trifle during the night, as the mercury dipped down toward the 20-degree mark.

He gave up his battered arm chair for a few hours to his 24-year-old son, Ingram Pickett, Jr., while he went home to get some hot coffee and a brief nap in his own bed. He was back at his post at 6 a. m.

Yesterday, the younger Pickett and friends relieved him briefly so he could go home and get a bite to eat.

The 52-year-old Pickett, who used to be an actor in the silent movies, was elected to the corporation commission two years ago in a political upset. Since his election, he has followed through on his attempts at re-

## Alaska and Hawaii Have Moved One Step Nearer Statehood

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington, March 9 (AP)—Alaska and Hawaii have moved a step nearer statehood. That doesn't mean they'll get it, at least this year.

In a week's time the house has okayed statehood for both of them. Unless the senate also approves, and it may not, the house action means nothing.

Next year there'll be a new congress. And, in a new congress, what either house did in a previous congress doesn't count.

In that case, the two territories will have to start from scratch again. Both have been seeking statehood a long time. Here's the story on both.

### CANADA PUZZLED:

## Mystery Cycle Of Abundance

By RENNIE TAYLOR  
(Associated Press Science Reporter)

San Francisco, March 9 (AP)—Canada has a mysterious 10-year cycle of abundance among many species of birds and animals which may be due to some unexplained force in the atmosphere, William Rowan, of the University of Alberta, reported today.

About every ten years the number of snowshoe hares, grouse and many other kinds of birds and animals reaches a peak. Then it declines slowly for a few years, finally begins to rise and reaches another crest in about a decade from the last previous top.

The process has retained this pace for 200 years, Rowan said in a paper for delivery before the North America Wild Life conference.

There is as yet no acceptable explanation for this "most curious wildlife enigma on the continent."

Rowan said factual information soon to be published suggests the cycle must hinge on some similar 10-year cycle of force "in the atmosphere or upper atmosphere."

The Dominion is on the verge of another peak of abundance. Further attempts to find an explanation for the phenomenon will be made.

The declining phase of the cycle probably will begin in about 1952, Rowan said.

The U.S. bought Alaska from Russia in 1867 for \$7,200,000. It wasn't allowed to become a territory until 1912.

A territory can elect its own legislature but the president appoints the governor.

Alaska and Hawaii are each allowed one delegate in congress. But he can't vote, even when congress is passing laws affecting his territory.

The people in a territory pay all the federal taxes but, although they're U.S. citizens, they can't vote in a national election.

The U.S. annexed Hawaii, which was then a republic, in 1898 and made it a territory in 1900.

Alaska, twice the size of Texas with its 585,000 square miles, has a population of about 100,000 people, which is more than many of the present states had when they were admitted to the union.

Hawaii, made up of seven islands with an area of about 6,400 square miles, has a population of 540,000, of which 86 per cent are U.S. citizens.

Hawaii's principal industries are sugar, pineapples, cattle, dairy products, truck crops, fish, coffee. Alaska's chief industries are furs, lumber, mining, fishing.

The people in both territories have voted in favor of statehood. Congressional committees have investigated the problem. The democratic and republican parties have promised statehood for both territories in their party platforms. The President approves.

Real pressure to get the job done began in the middle 1930's. First real action came in 1947. In that year the house voted to let Hawaii come in. The senate has never voted. So nothing happened.

This year the house now has voted for Hawaii again and, for the first time, for Alaska, too.

The people in both territories argue along similar lines: "They've more than served their apprenticeship as territories. They're both mature in the experience of running their territorial affairs, but, nevertheless, congress really runs them, and makes laws for them. Yet, the people in those territories have no voice in shaping those laws."

Although the residents of the territories have to pay federal taxes, they don't receive the full benefit from federal laws that states get. In short, both say they no longer want to be considered colonies.

In addition, they argue that statehood would strengthen this country's hand in the Pacific. Hawaii is 2,000 miles out in the Pacific from California. Alaska is separated from Russia by only 56 miles of water.

Fowl cholera killed more than 36,000 ducks wintering in the Texas Panhandle in 1947-'48.

### School Consolidation Plan Before Hubbard

Hubbard—A vote on the proposed consolidation of the Hubbard and White school districts has been set for Monday, March 13, by the county district boundary board. The election will be held at both the Hubbard and White school buildings. Petitions seeking the consolidation have been filed by both districts. The White area has approximately 30 school-age children.

form to give New Mexico a government "serving the people."

He has taken pot-shots at high state officials, from the governor on down, and he recently agitated for a grand jury to investigate affairs at the capitol. The same jury only Monday made a report that scolded Pickett and other members of the corporation commission for "juvenile conduct."

"I hadn't planned to run for governor until 1958," Pickett said yesterday, when he took up his stand on the capitol steps. "But the way things have gone the past few days I haven't any choice."

America produces approximately 1,200,000,000 pounds of cheese a year.

## Outboard Motors Don't Scare Fish, Scientific Tests Show

By RENNIE TAYLOR

San Francisco, March 9 (AP)—Outboard motors don't scare the fish, says Dr. Karl F. Lagler, University of Michigan zoologist. Dr. Lagler has the results of a scientific experiment to back him up.

University of Michigan researchers assigned three mento fish in a natural lake, six hours a day for 68 days, Dr. Lagler told the North American wild life conference yesterday.

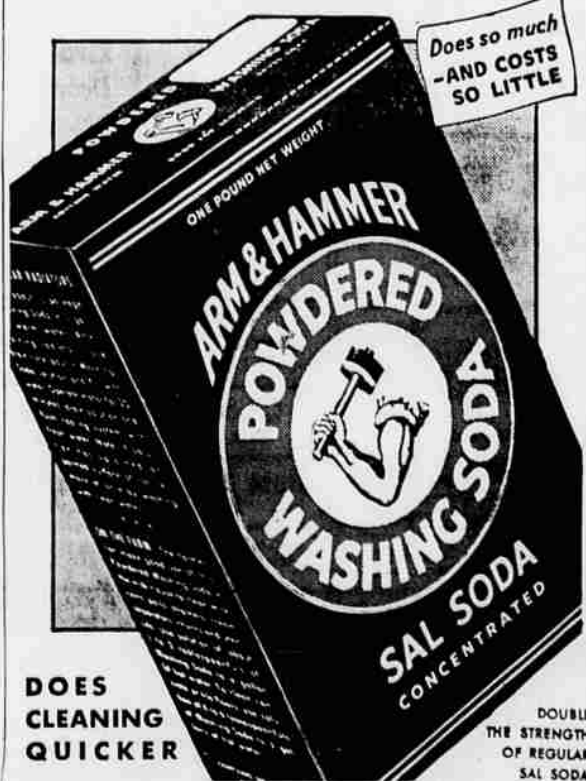
Every other day an outboard motor boat swished past each fisherman twice every half hour.

On the alternate days the boat was withheld. On these "quiet days the catch by the three men averaged only one more fish every ten hours of fishing than the average catch when the boat was used.

This tiny difference is so small it is meaningless, Dr. Lagler said. That much variation could have occurred if all the days were "quiet."

Also, the outboard did not interfere with fish reproduction.

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'L'Aiglon's Cradle'—Visitors to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, examine a silver-gilt cradle presented by Paris to Napoleon in 1811 for his son, "L'Aiglon." Cradle is part of an exhibit of art treasures from Vienna.

## West Coast Opium Ring Hit in Raid

Los Angeles, March 9 (AP)—Three men were arrested and \$50,000 worth of opium seized as officers struck today at what they termed a large narcotic supply ring on the west coast.

Foster Rowland, 23, El Paso, Tex., Abraham Cavazos, 31, proprietor of the Two-by-Four club in Juarez, Mex., and Leonardo Vasquez, 28, jewelry store owner of Juarez, were booked on suspicion of violating the state narcotics act.

William J. Craig, chief of the

federal narcotics bureau here, said Rowland was the carrier of the narcotics. Nineteen cans of opium were found in his hotel room.

Rowland came to Los Angeles from El Paso carrying the drug for the two dealers, Cavazos and Vasquez, Craig said. The latter two walked into a police trap when they stopped at Rowland's hotel room to pick up the narcotics, officers said.

Craig claimed Cavazos and Vasquez were the "chief suppliers" of opium on the west coast, and the two operated in Los Angeles and San Francisco. The opium was grown and prepared in Chihuahua, Mex.

## International Playgirl Weds

Chicago, March 9 (AP)—Virginia Hill, identified by Chicago newspapers as the international playgirl, remained in the background last night when reporters sought interviews from her and her new husband.

Hermann Johann (Hans) Hauser, a ski instructor at Sun Valley, Ida., and Aspen Colo., met the reporters and photographers at the Ambassador East hotel where the couple has been for a week. The Sun-Times and Herald-American said they were found at the hotel yesterday.

"Virginia has gone shopping," Hauser told reporters last night. "For dresses, I think."

Hauser identified his bride as from Beverly Hills, Calif. But he did not say she was the Virginia Hill who was a friend of Benjamin (Bugsy) Siegel, who was slain in Miss Hill's Beverly Hills home in 1947.

Reporters asked Hauser if he knew his wife was "internationally famous," and he replied: "Oh, yes, lots of publicity she has had."

We met at Sun Valley eight weeks ago," the Sun-Times quoted Hauser. "I was her ski instructor."

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