

Crime Probe in Washington

Olympia (AP)—The Washington State Legislative council today granted another \$15,000 to continue the crime investigations its subcommittee is conducting in cities throughout the state.

The additional funds were granted over objections by members of the council from Tacoma who accused the subcommittee headed by Sen. Albert Rosellini (D-Seattle) of "putting on a radio and television show" in their city a few months ago.

Most of the criticism came from Reps. A. B. Comfort and A. L. Rasmussen and Sen. R. C. Barlow, all of Tacoma. Comfort and Barlow are republicans. Rasmussen is a democrat.

"Many of the citizens of Tacoma feel the work of the committee was not too responsible," said Rasmussen. "Too many loose statements were permitted. We don't like all the undesirable characters in our city put on radio and television . . . to destroy the work of the well-meaning citizens are doing."

Comfort said before he would approve the extra \$15,000, he wanted assurance that the crime investigations would not develop more "shows," and he asked: "Does the committee want to produce evidence to obtain convictions, or does it want to find out if new laws are needed?"

Rosellini emphasized: "We're not out to convict anybody. We want to find out what conditions are in this state, so we can see if we should supply tools with which law enforcement officers can do a better job."

Barlow said if the committee merely wanted to find out what new laws may be necessary, "it doesn't have to spend so much money for the show part of it."

Actually, Rosellini replied, \$15,000 will not be enough to "do the kind of job we know should be done. We will have to forsake a lot of important work."

Zuckert on AEC
Washington (AP)—Eugene M. Zuckert was nominated Monday by President Truman to be a member of the Atomic Energy Commission for a four-year term expiring June 30, 1954. He would succeed Sumner T. Pike who resigned recently.

The Royal Canadian mounted police were organized in 1873.

Death Blocks Man's Return To Oregon

Jens Martinus Soerensen, 84, of Grand Ronde went to Denmark last September to visit his native land that he left 64 years ago. He might stay there a long time, he thought.

But even after a day in the old home town of Ternstrup he was sure he wanted to return to Oregon—to his farm and his two daughters.

But last week he died there of heart trouble, induced, the doctors thought, by homesickness.

It happened this way: He found that he was still a Danish subject, and would have to apply to the United States' embassy in Copenhagen for a visa to return to America.

He applied, and waited four months. The visa came after he died.

Young Britain Envoy to Tehran

London (AP)—Britain has named Robert Hankey, a young but tried diplomat as its new ambassador to Tehran in the hope of ending the long Anglo-Iranian oil deadlock, informed official said Monday.

The 46-year old Hankey, who speaks Iranian, will succeed the present envoy, Sir Francis Shepherd, whose tenure in Tehran has extended throughout the crisis resulting from nationalization of the British-owned Anglo-Iranian Oil company's vast holdings there.

Britain's conservative leaders often sniped at the former Labor government's handling of the dispute.

One of Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden's first acts after the Tories took over the government late last year was to recall Shepherd and tell him he would be switched to another post.

About 100 islanders from Pukapuka, in the Cook group, recently moved to another island because of overcrowding. The population on their stoll had reached 600.

GOP Leaders in West See New Life in Republican Party

San Francisco (AP)—Republican leaders believe their party has a new lease on life and is just "itching to fight."

The republican national committee meeting here, which ended Saturday bore a resemblance to a football week-end, so many and strong were the appeals to fight, the leaders said.

Committeemen and committeewomen insisted that the GOP has learned a lesson from its overconfidence of 1948.

That was the note sounded by George Gabrielson, national committee chairman.

"This time we'll fight," he said. The same sentiments were voiced by the committeemen. They are the ones close to the precincts and republican voters.

Here is the atmosphere in the various geographical sections as seen by national committeemen:
Oregon — Ralph H. Cake, Portland: Among the very young people, there is considerable additional political activity. On the whole there has been more interest through 1951 as compared with 1947. More people are convinced they must take a personal part in the campaign.

California—McIntyre Fairies, Los Angeles: There is such a tremendous interest in issues, more than I've ever seen before. And republican groups throughout the state have all worked out their own desired platforms. Attendance at political meetings is up 100 per cent over 1948.

New Mexico — Mrs. E. L. Moulton, Albuquerque: The people are all enthusiastic, more interested and more willing to work than they've been for many, many years. And the reason is that they feel we must have a change. Even the intelligent democrats want a change.

Utah—George T. Hansen, Salt Lake City: We have noted a marked difference in the voters' attitude, particularly with the businessmen and the young people. We get greater attendance at the district mass meetings and other affairs on the county and state levels.

MacArthur's Pilot Resigns Air Force
New York (AP)—Lt. Col. Anthony Story, for nearly seven years Gen. Douglas MacArthur's pilot, has resigned from the U.S. Air Force to take a position with a distilling company.

Story, a reserve officer who also served MacArthur as an aide, disclosed Sunday he had resigned last Tuesday. Story flew the general home from Tokyo last spring.

The rosary will be recited at 8 p. m. Monday, January 21 at the Ringo Funeral chapel. Requiem mass will be at 10 a. m. Tuesday, January 22 at St. Luke's cemetery.

Friends Sorry for Shoeshine 'Boy'
Reynosa, Mex. (AP)—Friends of shoeshine "boy" Rolando Charles were sorry today to hear he was in jail on suspicion of stealing cameras, guitars and other items here and in McAllen, Tex.

One of Rolando's closest friends, a McAllen youth implicated in the thefts and whose family had Rolando as a guest for a time, was most surprised — particularly when Reynosa jail officials said Rolando was a girl, Yolanda Charles.

Yolanda, 19, said she adopted the male disguise several years ago when her father died, "so I could make more money."

Two Lose Lives in Oregon Traffic

Portland, Ore. (AP)—Traffic accidents claimed two lives in Oregon over the week-end, and a woman died of exposure.

One of the traffic victims was a blind man. He was Harold Nelson, 48, who was fatally injured when he was struck by a car as he crossed a Portland street Saturday night.

Delmer G. Allen, 27, who police said was driver of the car, was booked on a charge of negligent homicide.

Bud Keith Norman, 35, was killed and two men injured, when a car failed to make a turn on Redwood highway south of Grants Pass Saturday night.

One of the injured, Victor Masters, 24, was in a critical condition. A 24-year old Negro woman died apparently of exposure at Hatfield, Ore., near the Oregon-California state line early Sunday. Police were questioning two of her male acquaintances.

Wind Forms Snowballs

Ontario, Ore. (AP)—The ground was covered with snowballs in this eastern Oregon community Sunday morning.

Many residents thought the baseball to basketball size snowballs had fallen from the sky during the night.

But L. A. Bailey, CAA weather observer on night duty at the airport here, said he saw the wind form the snowballs.

He said warm, 40-mile-an-hour wind gusts hit the snow covered ground.

The rising temperature made the snow sticky and the wind rolled up the snowballs.

Because the tracks of the baseball to basketball size snowballs were covered by later snow, many persons thought the snowballs had dropped from the sky.

In California, water from the immense Shasta Dam started its 500-mile trip to the rich Central Valley in August, 1951. It is one of the world's most ambitious irrigation projects.



Gets Divorce—Hildegarde Neff, German actress now working in Hollywood, on the witness stand in Los Angeles as she divorced Producer-Director Kurt Hirsch, a native of Czechoslovakia. She told the court that Hirsch kept her movie earnings and wouldn't let her have enough money to buy stockings. (AP Wirephoto)

Xmas Seals Sale Good
Stayton — Local collections from the annual sale of tuberculosis Christmas seals totaled \$471.25, according to Mrs. A. C. Van Nuys, local chairman.

John Quincy Adams, sixth president of the United States, was born July 11, 1767, at Braintree, Mass.

Farm Bureau For Pelton Dam

Portland, Ore. (AP)—The Oregon farm bureau federation today petitioned Oregon's hydroelectric commission to reassert its jurisdiction over the Pelton dam project on the Deschutes river.

The federation, which has supported the building of the Pelton dam, asked the commission to render a decision in accordance with its legal responsibilities.

Marshall Swearingen, federation president, charged that the commission had, in effect, dodged the issue by subordinating its authority to the Oregon fish commission.

He said the state's rights would not be protected unless the commission asserts its authority and protects the interests of all the people.

The federation's petition asked the commission for complete clarification of procedure that should be followed by the Portland General Electric company.

It also contended that power is needed for the Pacific northwest and for defense purposes.

and that its "careful investigation" disclosed that claims of harmful effects on the fish industry were not justified.



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Scientist Answers Argument About Cause of the Seasons

By J. HUGH PRUETT

Astronomer, Extension Division Oregon Higher Education System
Over the telephone came this query: "We are having an argument here in the office and we want you to settle it. Does the earth's axis tip sufficiently every six months to give us the difference in temperature between winter and summer?"

When called upon to mediate an astronomical dispute, I am always pleased to be able to tell the one doing the inquiring that he is right. In this case, however I had skillfully to suggest that the truth lay on the other side.

Let us ask the reader to construct a diagram on a sheet of paper. In the center of the sheet draw a circle around a silver half dollar—if such wealth is yours. Inside of this circle write, "The Sun." To the right of this, and near the edge of the sheet trace a circle around a dime. Label this, "The Earth."

From a little above the earth draw a line straight down through its center and continue it a short distance below the lower part of the circle. This represents the imaginary axis around which the entire earth rotates approximately once each 24 hours. (The more exact time is 23 hours 56 minutes.) This daily rotation turns any part away from the sun, thus giving us day and night.

But the axis of the earth does not point straight up as we have drawn it. Didn't we learn something in our grade-school geographies about 23½-degree tilt? If the upper end of this axis is tipped down 23½ degrees toward the left, an amount a little less than one-third that to make it point directly toward the sun, we have the approximate tilt. Rearrange the axis in your diagram accordingly.

We now have the condition of summer in the northern hemisphere and winter in the southern. The sun can warm the end of the earth turned toward it much better than the other.

If the north pole could slowly tip toward the right so that in six months it would point as far to the right of straight up as it does to the left in summer, we would have winter conditions without any doubt. But it does not do it that way. The axis continues to tilt to the left as the earth moves around the sun. In three months, it will be hidden behind the sun in our diagram. Draw another 10-

Lierman's Jersey Herd Wins Polk County Honors

Independence — New honors came to Walter E. Lierman, who was chosen Oregon's Grassman of the year last fall, when it was disclosed over the weekend that his Jersey dairy herd was rated first for the year by the Dairy Herd Improvement association of Polk county.

Lierman's herd of 23 Jerseys produced an average of 9733 pounds of milk and 531.4 pounds of butterfat per cow for the year. His 100 acre farm which won him the Grassman of the year prize, is used mostly in grass production for silage, hay and grazing.

Other prize winning herds were: Jack DeJong, Sheridan, with 44 cows producing 9,589 pounds of milk and 502.9 pounds of fat; Dewey Wolfer, Willamina, 16 cows producing 11,729 pounds of milk with an average of 500.8 pounds of fat; George Genteman, Independence 31 cows averaging 8,937 pounds of

milk and 481.7 pounds of butterfat; Dick DeJong, Amity, 49 cows averaging 9,861 pounds of milk and 473.8 pounds of butterfat; Katherine Schroeder, Dallas, six cows producing 9,303 pounds of milk and 462 pounds of butterfat per cow; W. E. Shenk, Willamina, 37 cows producing 9,343 pounds of milk with an average of 459.4 pounds of butterfat.

Among the owner-samplers for the testing year, the annual report shows that L. R. Spries, Dallas, had the high herd with 12 registered Jerseys with an average of 9,1657 pounds of milk and 496.4 pounds of butterfat.



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