

RUINED THE SKATING, TOO



Don Royle was driving this 1 1/2-ton truck on Cedar Lake in Minneapolis to deliver a load of sand to a private beach. His brother, Jerome, was walking ahead to test the ice, thinned by the past week's warm spell. Jerome's judgment wasn't too good—the truck broke through into 10 feet of water. Don, not too confident of the venture, was driving with the cab door open and one foot on the running board. When the truck began to sink he jumped to safety. (UP Telephoto)

Status of Minorities Described by Speaker

By DAVE CROMWELL

"Employment opportunities are limited for America's non-white races not because of lack of skill, but rather because of lack of whiteness," claimed Edwin C. Berry, executive secretary of the Portland Urban League and instructor in sociology at Portland State college, in a talk before a combined meeting of the four local chapters of Beta Sigma Phi, women's cultural and educational society.

The meeting held at the west Salem City Hall Wednesday night, was attended by over 80 members of the sorority. In speaking to the group on "Happiness Through Understanding," the speaker pointed out that not only did the lack of employment affect the wage earning capacity of the minority races in the United States, but that it also affected their ability to feed their children and to adequately provide for them in housing and clothing. He said that this forced many families to live in slum districts, and out of such slums were created many social diseases.

He said that children in America are brought up, consciously or unconsciously by their parents, to think of Negroes and other minority races as inferior. "Such expressions as 'China man's chance,' 'nigger in a woodpile,' 'jew down,' and 'Indian giver,' all lead the child to have a distorted opinion of the minority races," he said. "Also, adult referral to certain races as chink, jap, coon, kyke, and the like creates in the child at a very young age an entirely wrong impression."

Stereotypes were also criticized by the speaker. The portrayal of a Negro as always strutting a banjo, sitting on the bank of the Mississippi dangling his feet in the Missouri mud, being lazy and stupid, and so forth tends to give the child the wrong impressions of various races before he has even had a chance to meet any member of a minority race. Such programs as Beulah, Amos and Andy, and Rochester on the Jack Benny program were derided by Berry as programs of the stereotype nature.

Berry felt that the text books in the primary schools also helped the child to form race prejudices. He claimed that the Negro, if mentioned at all in early

Unionvale

UNIONVALE—The Unionvale Home Extension Unit Work Shop has started a series of hour lessons in Better Summer dresses from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each Monday at the church. Mrs. Cecil Will is project leader.

The seven women making dresses are Mrs. Clyde Dollar, Mrs. Steven Nevil, Mrs. Clark Noble, Mrs. V. V. Scoggin, Mrs. Fred C. Stockoff, Mrs. Jacob Tompkins and Mrs. Cecil Will.

A large number of wild geese were reported winging their way south over this area Monday.

Honoring Mrs. Donald Gubser and Mrs. Marvin Lorenzen for their birthdays which are Jan. 31 and Feb. 14, Mr. and Mrs. Eysel Gubser entertained Sunday, Feb. 7.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gubser, Danny and Renee of Pleasantdale district, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lorenzen of the Neck district near Dayton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Magee and sons of Corvallis were guests from Friday until Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Magee, in Unionvale. When Mrs. Magee and the boys went home, Robert remained to assist his father plow his Westland farm, for setting out certified strawberry plants.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Pilcher of Jefferson, formerly of Grand Island, were Monday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eysel Gubser.

Naomi Pate, Teacher, Dies

Mrs. Naomi Taylor Pate, who since May of last year had been at the home of her sister, Mrs. Annette Lang in Salem, died Thursday at a local hospital following an illness of over a year.

A former Salem resident and more recently a teacher and librarian at the Junction City high school, Mrs. Pate was the daughter of Rev. Fred C. Taylor, former pastor at the Salem First Methodist church, and Mrs. Taylor. She was a former teacher in the Salem high school.

Born at Riverside, Ill., March 24, 1901, Mrs. Pate was graduated in 1923 from Morningside college at Sioux City, Iowa, where she majored in English and music. She also took work later at the University of Hawaii, the University of Washington and the University of Oregon.

Mrs. Pate taught for 10 years in Honolulu and Hilo. She also taught in Meriden, Iowa, and Vancouver, Wash., and was teaching her fifth year at the Junction City high school when she resigned in January of last year because of her health.

She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Methodist church at Junction City and active in the W.S.C.S. of that church.

Surviving Mrs. Pate are her husband, Julian Wilson Pate, to whom she was married in Honolulu in 1926; her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Fred C. Taylor; three sisters, Mrs. Annette Lang and Mrs. Lois Minifie of Salem and Mrs. Hortense Foster of Portland; two brothers, F. Wayne Taylor of Ann Arbor, Mich., and William W. Taylor of Portland; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Mrs. Pate will be held at the W. T. Higdon chapel Sunday, February 14, at 3 p.m. with Rev. Darlow Johnson and Rev. Bruce Empey officiating. Friends who wish to make contributions to the organ fund at the Junction City Methodist church in lieu of sending flowers to the memorial services.

Governors Want More Money for Two Dams

PORTLAND — The governors of Washington, Idaho and Oregon hope to convince the federal administration that more money should be spent on The Dalles and Chief Joseph dams this year.

They indicated in the second of two power policy meetings there Wednesday that they would take their plea to President Eisenhower when they are in Washington, D. C., for a governors' conference in April.

What they want is 7 million dollars more for Chief Joseph and 24 million more for The Dalles. The Budget Bureau cut those amounts from recommended appropriations recently, Chief Joseph being cut to 27 million for the year and The Dalles to 34 million.

Engineers at a meeting of the Columbia Basin Interagency Committee said the cuts would hold back needed power deliveries in the Pacific Northwest.

Govs. Len Jordan of Idaho, Arthur Langley of Washington and Paul Patterson of Oregon also heard British Columbia appeal for a quick solution of problems delaying construction of Libby Dam in Northwest Montana.

Robert E. Sommers, British Columbia minister of lands and forests, said his province could go ahead with an agreement on the dam now without waiting for dominion approval.

This will not be so once Seattle City Light negotiates an agreement in back water into British Columbia from its Skagit project.

The Libby project has been snagged on problems arising from the fact the Libby Dam also would

back water into British Columbia along the Kootenay River. The governors instructed their engineering committee to draw up an outline of problems for presentation at a meeting in Victoria, B. C., April 21. The report is intended also to go to President Eisenhower.

The engineering committee was given \$40,000 for expenses this year. The committee is to have headquarters in Portland the first six months, then it will move to Spokane. W. Jack Mosley, Portland, a member of the Northwest power pool coordinating group, was named head engineer.

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Woodworkers Want Pay Hike

PORTLAND — A 12 1/2-cent hourly pay increase is the aim of the CIO Woodworkers in negotiations about to open with lumber employers.

The union, which claims about 45,000 men under contract in Oregon, Washington, Northern California, Idaho and Montana, announced its goal in a preliminary meeting with employers here Wednesday.

Additional benefits also will be sought. For one thing the union said it would seek standard pay scales, explaining that rate of pay for certain jobs varies in different sections.

The union also will seek a third week of vacation for men with five years of service. They now get two weeks after three years.

Present contracts expire April 1.

Artillery Units To Train at Clatsop

ASTORIA — Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea, adjutant general of Oregon, said Thursday he expected anti-aircraft artillery units would again train this summer at Camp Clatsop here.

Rilea said he had recently returned from Washington, D. C., where he had obtained funds in excess of \$10,000 for use in maintenance and general repairs to the camp.

The general said he was assured, unless an unforeseen emergency arose, that AA artillery units from Oregon would again be here early in June.

Claims Misuse of Prison Labor

PORTLAND — Gov. Patterson said here Wednesday that as soon as he has had a chance to look over a report on alleged misuse of prison labor, he will make it public.

The report from Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton was delivered in Salem just before he left for a meeting here. He said he hadn't had a chance to look at it to see what it said.

Thornton was looking into various reports on employment of convicts outside the walls.

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Farm Bureau Supports Benson's Farm Program

WASHINGTON (AP)—The American Farm Bureau Federation is reinforcing Secretary of Agriculture Benson in a drive to get farmers themselves to push for the administration agricultural program.

Benson, in a series of talks explaining the proposed shift to flexible price supports, has been calling on farmers to "make your voice heard." The federation is planning to work through its local and state units.

Against this background, reports have been circulating that the Agriculture Department may be shaken up to reduce the influence of "moderates" and of officials held over from the Truman administration.

Moderates were defined as those who would go slow in changing the present program. Cited as an example was Howard H. Gordon, administrator of the Commodity Stabilizing Service and president of the Commodity Credit Corp. (CCC).

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