

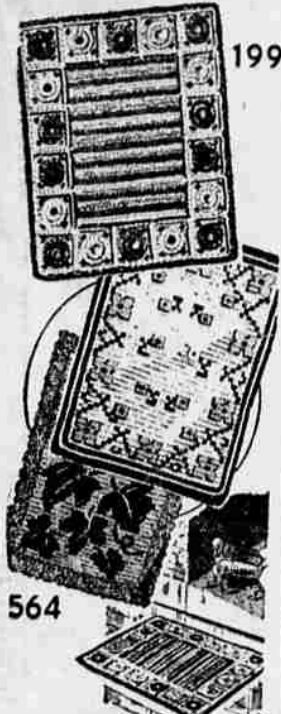
\$15,118,000 Paid in Death Claims in '53

NEW YORK (AP)—Life insurance companies paid \$15,118,000 in death claims in Oregon last year, the Institute of Life Insurance reported Tuesday.

That was \$1,753,000 more than paid out in the state the previous year. The 1953 payments were made to 6,795 families—210 more than in 1952.

Consumption of vodka in France increased about 50 per cent in 1953.

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ROOM & BOARD. My name is Waldo Burdkage and I'm a collector of art in the modern manner! I'm fascinated with your work, pigments in despair, now hanging in the exhibition, and I'd like to add it to my collection! Would you consider \$150 for it?

Crossword Puzzle with grid and clues. Clues include: 1. Wooden container, 29. Greek letter, 30. Billows, 31. Muddles, 32. Hearty, 33. Shade tree, 34. Location, 35. Epoch, 36. Cry of a sheep, 37. Biblical king, 38. Request, 39. Fastener, 40. Subsequent selling, 41. Existed, 42. Creek, 43. Affection, 44. Impossible, 45. Breed, 46. He: French, 47. Red wine.

STEVE ROPER comic strip. Panel 1: 'COULDN'T WE JUST KAYO THE KID AND LEAVE THEM ALL HERE, DAD?' Panel 2: 'GETTING SOFT-HEARTED GOLDIE? I'M SORRY, TOO. THAT—AFTER A LIFE TIME AS AN HONORABLE CON MAN—I AM FORCED TO—UH—COMMIT VIOLENCE.' Panel 3: 'HOWEVER, IT MAY BE A QUESTION OF THEIR LIVES OR OUR LIFESTYLE! SO WE SHALL BORROW THE CASH CONTENTS OF THIS WALL SAFE...' Panel 4: '—AND DEPOSIT OUR LIVING LIABILITIES IN THE TOOL VAULT BEHIND THE GARAGE!'

POGO comic strip. Panel 1: 'IF I COULD BUT SIGHT THIS BRUMMAGE! I'D WHUMP HIM A GOOD ONE.' Panel 2: 'IT'S YOUR CRAWFISH—SHOULDN'T YOU CALL HIM?' Panel 3: 'HAUGH! YOU VAULTURE! FIGHT FAIR!' Panel 4: 'I'D CALL HIM BUT IT WERE MAKES HIM MAD IF I DO—' Panel 5: 'CAUSE I CALLS HIM: HO, CLIFFORD! HEY, THERE CLIFFORD! HERE, BOY! COME ON, CLIFFORD—WHUP! WHUP!' Panel 6: 'CLIFFORD AIN'T RIGHTLY HIS NAME. BEWARE! I AM ABOUT TO CHARGE YOU PATROON.'

LIL ABNER comic strip. Panel 1: 'O-K, FINNOG, OLD PAL! IT'S ALL SET UP FOR YOU—' GOT TH' FANCY SUITE AT TH' HOTEL?' Panel 2: 'SURE, KNILS—I GOT MY END SET—WHEN'S O'DAY—DELIVERY ON THAT TWENTY-FIVE GRAND?' Panel 3: 'MR. KNILS SAID HE WANTS TO HAVE US MEET MR. F. FRANCIS FINNOG—BUT WHEN?' Panel 4: 'OH, HAVE PATIENCE, ELLA! THESE BIG DEALS TAKE TIME—'

HOPALONG CASSIDY comic strip. Panel 1: 'HERE COME TH' HAPPY COUPLE!! NOW, AH—CHUCKLE! PLAYS ZU-ZU'S LIL' JOKE.' Panel 2: 'SHE WAS AWFUL PURTY, HUH?' Panel 3: 'PURTIEST GAL IN TH' WORLD, AH RECKON—'S—HONEST ABE'S GOT BOTH WATER PISTOLS!—CAIN'T TELL HIS FUM MINE!'

MUTT & JEFF comic strip. Panel 1: 'YOU'VE GOT ABOUT TEN SECONDS TO START RECORDING MY NAME ON THAT HING CLAM OF BADGERS!' Panel 2: 'MISTER, YOU'RE A FOOL!' Panel 3: 'ALL THAT CAN BE CHANGED BACK THE MINUTE YOU LEAVE THIS OFFICE!' Panel 4: 'WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU'LL EVER LEAVE THIS OFFICE?' Panel 5: 'I'LL SEE TO THAT!'

REX MORGAN, M.D. comic strip. Panel 1: 'IF YOU DON'T COME BACK HOME WITH THE CHILDREN AND ME, I'LL WHERE WILL YOU GO?' Panel 2: 'I'M NOT SURE YET, RUTH!' Panel 3: 'JIM, WE NEED YOU, AND I KNOW THAT YOU NEED US!' Panel 4: 'PLEASE! DON'T MAKE IT ANY MORE DIFFICULT FOR ME THAN IT IS, RUTH!' Panel 5: 'BUT THE DOCTORS AT CARVILLE SAID YOU SHOULD FORGET THE LAST FIVE YEARS...' Panel 6: 'DON'T MISUNDERSTAND ME, RUTH! THE DOCTORS' SISTERS OF CHARITY... EVERONE AT CARVILLE WAS WONDERFUL! IT'S ME! I CAN'T FORGET THAT I HAVE LEPROSY!'

DONALD DUCK comic strip. Panel 1: 'WOW WHAT A MENU!' Panel 2: 'YES, SIR—MOST COMPLETE IN TOWN!' Panel 3: 'AUSTRALIAN PIG-FOOT WITH DANISH LOTUS FLOOMS, HAWKY CHINESE CHOWDER AND DEEP-SEA SANDS' NEST... HAWK?' Panel 4: 'LEFT-FOOTED FROG LEGS, SAUTE A LA PENGUIN FAT, HAWK—AH, HERE IT IS!' Panel 5: 'I'LL TAKE SOAST BEEF AND APPLE PIE!' Panel 6: 'SORRY, ALL OUT OF SOAST BEEF AND APPLE PIE!'

MARY WORTH comic strip. Panel 1: 'I'VE NEVER DANCED A DANCE (EXCEPT MY REAL WORK, BUT I'M MR. MORGAN'S)' Panel 2: 'IT SHOULDN'T LOOK THAT WAY MRS. WORTH—BUT WITH THE DUCKS' IT DOES!' Panel 3: 'I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT VICI; HE'S GOT A LOTTA WILKAGE LEFT IN HIS LEGS—BUT FOR MAKING THE SHOW, HE'S OVER!' Panel 4: 'THEY SHOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE ACUSTICS IN THIS ROOM, HONEY—THEY'RE TOO GOOD!'

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North Marion High Activities

HUBBARD — The FFA and FFA chapters will meet Thursday afternoon, Feb. 18, at the school. Teachers from North Marion will accompany M. H. Beal to Salem for the county Oregon Education Association meeting, Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Dormitory Bids Exceed Estimates

PORTLAND (AP)—Bids ran higher than expected for construction of an addition to a men's dormitory at the University of Oregon, the building committee of the State Board of Higher Education reported Tuesday.

Advertisement for Wrigley's Spearmint Gum. Text: 'Chewing does it. Get a happy little lift. Chew Wrigley's Spearmint Gum. Helps you on the job. Work goes faster, easier. Refreshing! • Delicious!'