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## We'll Bet it Gets Stymied in Committee

It looks like the small-town newspaperman finally has at least one friend in congress, and another one in a good sized daily paper editor, as is shown in the following editorial recently run in the Salem, Oregon Statesman, concerning the possibility of a small newspaper publisher getting a vacation.

His problem is much the same as most small businessmen face when they want to get off for a little rest, except that the paper is faced with the problems of putting out something each week that at least closely resembles a newspaper, or lose its mailing permit. Smaller businesses can, on occasion, "lock up the joint" for a week or so to let the boss and his family get away with the only worry, on returning, being how much business was lost during the shutdown. Not so with a paper for if the publisher decided to forget it all for a week, he'd find on his return that Uncle Sam's postal department had discontinued his delivery service—something very unhandy, to say the least.

We can't cast a vote for the Montana Senator, named below, but we give him our moral support and certainly hope he can get his bill through the necessary channels to give us a day off sometime in the future.

### A BREAK FOR THE COUNTRY EDITOR

(From the Oregon Statesman, Salem)  
The millenium may be approaching for the country weekly newspaper editor. Ofttimes everything from janitor to compositor to reporter to publisher, the weekly editor has had no easy time for the last several decades.

The law requires him to issue a newspaper 52 weeks a year or face the loss of his second-class mailing privileges. Vacations have been impossible, unless a fill-in editor could be found.

And such fill-ins just don't happen. Even if such were available, what editor would leave his home-folks at the mercy of a stranger? Few. So the country editor has stuck to his job, year in and year out.

Now comes Senator Mansfield of Montana with a bill to "give the little fellows in the newspaper field a break" and let them miss two issues a year without loss of mailing privileges. If the bill passes, we'd say Sen. Mansfield was a major benefactor to the country's small press.

What small-town editor hasn't longed to go fishing for a week or two? Maybe he can sneak in a few hours on the weekend, but otherwise he's

been tied and shackled to the job of serving his community. He watches everyone else in town take a vacation—and can't do it himself.

The editor of a sizeable newspaper needs no such consideration, of course. He has a staff who can bear the brunt for a while. But the one-man, or one-family, newspaper has taken a beating—or, rather, the editor of such a publication has. And the country needs a good small-town press.

Grass-roots newspapers are a vital factor, and good men should be encouraged to enter the field. Sen. Mansfield, there's a lot of appreciation due you for your efforts.

## Miss Austria's Visit

Hepner this last week joined whole-heartedly with the E. E. Gonty family in giving a royal welcome to 18 year-old Miss Lore Felger of Vienna, who is much better known as Miss Austria. Lore's trip to Hepner was meant to be a visit with her pen-pal, Virginia Gonty, and a chance rest from the strenuous activities of the Miss Universe contest.

Rest was not in the book for such a well known and attractive girl, however, for her five days here were pretty well taken up with parties, picnics and public appearances. She did find time on a few occasions though, to sneak off for a swim or a short nap or a little visit with the girl she came to see.

Hepner liked Lore, as the continual demand for her time testified, and we believe she enjoyed her short stay here even though she had little time to do things she might have wished. Such is the price of fame.

Nevertheless, we hope she returns to Austria with a genuine understanding of what we think of as Eastern Oregon hospitality. Though it may have been a little strenuous, it was sincere.

We've noticed a couple of papers in the state have recently run some very pretty color ads and in an effort to really do things up right, have performed the ink they used.

We can't blame the customer for wanting such an attention getter, but those publishers should have had better sense it seems to us. Every paper gets plenty of wise cracks like "it stinks," or "that story smelled," without provocation of some loud-smelling stuff that gives the smart alecks a chance to rib you when you don't have any argument whatsoever.

We like our perfume on the girls.



## NO CHARTER REWRITE SOON

There may have to be a test case go through the courts to find what can be done to refurbish Oregon's constitution, now nearing the century mark.

Members of the Constitutional Revision Committee met in Salem last week but made no progress at all. They differed about what should be done, what could be done and how it should be done.

Nearly all members differed with Gov. Patterson who failed to get the 1953 legislature to call a constitutional convention and do a rewrite job.

One group of the committee would like to have the legislature submit to the people amending measures to modernize it, pass it on to the voters to approve or reject, as a whole. The legality of this is questioned by attorneys.

The policy-of-party group in the committee would hamstring the initiative and referendum act on all quarters. They would have the legislature pass laws and not let the people repeal them and would take from the voters the initiative process of making laws at the polls.

### HABEAS CORPUS TOUGHER

"The state convicts path to the federal district court, there to put the state prosecutor and state judge who convicted and sentenced him on trial, is hereafter to be a hard road to hit." U. S. District Court Judge Claude McCulloch said after dismissing a petition by Clifford Daugherty, Oregon State prisoner, seeking release on a habeas corpus.

Convicted of passing a forged check Daugherty was denied release in Marion County Circuit court but did not appeal to the State Supreme Court.

"A state prisoner," McCulloch

said, "may seek action by a federal court only when he claims imprisonment through violation of federal constitutional right and after he has exhausted his state remedies.

### JUST A MINUTE PLEASE

Should the users of telephones pay higher rates so the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company can pay their stockholders higher dividends?

There is at least one man besides the users who does not think so. Jacw McCullough, attorney for the Public Utilities Commissioner, cross-examined F. A. Dresslar, company vice president most of the day last Thursday at the hearing the company requested.

McCullough repeatedly asked questions as to why the company has to have higher rates. Dresslar testified that the company will spend 34 million dollars for new facilities in Oregon in the next two years. He said the company needs higher rates to pay bigger dividends, and thus attract investment capital.

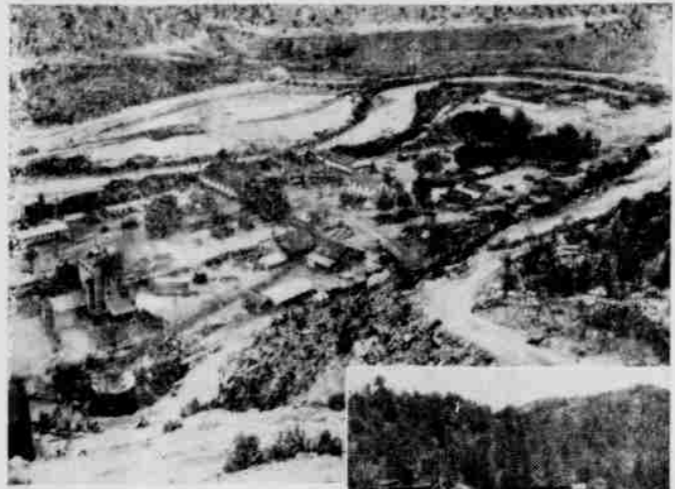
The answer McCullough gave to that one was that the company carried out a larger program five years ago when it was making less profit than it is now.

### YOUNG DRIVERS UNSAFE

"Are the people of the state,

## Lofty Quest for Uranium

EVEN MORE dramatic than the gold rush days is America's quest for uranium ore, now under way high on the rugged Colorado Plateau. At Uravan, below, ore mined in the Rockies is refined. Town was named for "ura" in uranium, "van" in vanadium.



ONCE PROCESSING IS completed, uranium, below, has a black, sticky form. Drying reduces the material to powder.



SANDSTONE near this typical mining structure yields carnotite. From it are derived traces of uranium ore.

MOUNTAIN-CLIMBING International trucks, one of which is shown in background, haul the ore to mills from nearly inaccessible mines. Miners examine ore for yellow streak, proof of uranium.



through their vehicle code, getting enough protection from the recognizably unsafe, incompetent and wilfully dangerous drivers?" Jack A. McConnell, insurance supervisor, questioned a group of state officials meeting in Salem last week.

"Last year," he continued, "youngsters under 25 directly or indirectly caused close to 30 percent of all fatal accidents, in spite of the fact that a teen-ager has excellent coordination and reflexes, that he has been on wheels, nearly all of his life—skates, wagons, bicycles and now automobiles—and he can drive well, he frequently does not drive carefully."

"The driver under 25 has four times as many accidents as members of the next older group. This argument alone could be legitimately used for even higher insurance premiums for drivers under 25."

### MOVIE PRICES WONT DROP

Movie prices will not come down, even with President Eisenhower's signature on the bill to eliminate the 20 per cent federal tax, according to statements made by managers of movie houses in the big cities.

Operators need the money to meet higher costs and drop in attendance.

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## THIRTY YEARS AGO

From files of the Gazette Times August 16, 1923

O. T. Ferguson, who is farming the McCarty ranch in Sand Hollow, sold the first lot of wheat on the Hepner market for this season. The grain was forty-fold and Mr. Ferguson received a price of 88 cents per bushel.

While on their way to Portland on Friday last, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barratt and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cohn of this city were guests for a time at the beautiful Columbia Gorge hotel.

30c—This weeks special on cured Hams, Central Market.

## FAIR-MINDED

"The Hobby Spot" could be a good name for the miscellaneous arts division of the fair. At work, leather work, ceramics and of course textile painting. Take your choice. We are expecting a full house of these exhibits. How are your flowers coming along. We hope you are keeping

an eye on the nicest ones for the display at the fair.

## TRUCKS

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# HAY FOR SALE

Priced To Fit The Pocketbook of Democrat Cowmen Raising Republican Calves.

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## Steve Thompson

HEPPNER



### This demonstration showed me the way to a better deal!

I'd been planning to buy a higher-priced car until I found out all Chevrolet offered—and how much I could save!



You get more power on less gas

That's because Chevrolet's two great valve-in-head engines are high-compression engines. In Powerglide® models, you get the most powerful engine in Chevrolet's field — the new 115-h.p. "Blue-Flame." Gear-shift models offer the advanced 108-h.p. "Thrift-King" engine.

And it's the lowest-priced line

A demonstration will show you that Chevrolet offers just about everything you could want. Yet it's the lowest-priced line in the low-price field.

\*Combination of Powerglide automatic transmission and 115-h.p. "Blue-Flame" engine optional on "Two-Ten" and Bel Air models at extra cost.

### Let us demonstrate all the advantages of buying a Chevrolet now!



MORE PEOPLE BUY CHEVROLETS THAN ANY OTHER CAR!

You're "sitting pretty" behind the wheel

Take this Bel Air model. First thing you'll notice is the quality of the interior. Rich-looking appointments. Roomy seats with foam rubber cushions. Turn the key to start the engine and you're ready to go.

You can see all around

You look out and down through a wide, curved, one-



piece windshield. The panoramic rear window and big side windows provide a clear view in all directions.

Biggest brakes for smoother, easier stops

An easy nudge on the pedal brings smooth, positive response—right now! Chevrolet's improved brakes are the largest in the low-price field.

It's heavier for better roadability

You're in for a pleasant surprise at the smooth, steady, big-car ride of this new Chevrolet. One reason is that, model for model, Chevrolet will weigh up to 200 pounds more than the other low-priced cars.

## STAR THEATER, Hepner

Week-day shows start at 7:30 p. m. Sunday shows continuous from 2 p. m. Admission prices 70c, 50c and 20c. Newsreel every Sunday and Monday.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday, August 6-7-8

### REDHEAD FROM WYOMING

Speedy, top-notch western in Technicolor with Maureen O'Hara and Alex Nicol.

### CONFIDENTIALLY CONNIE

Van Johnson, Janet Leigh, Louis Calhern, Walter Slezak, Gene Lockhart. This comedy will warm the heart and stimulate the laugh muscles.

Sunday-Monday, August 9-10

### DANGEROUS WHEN WET

Esther Williams, Fernando Lamas, Jack Carson, Charlotte Greenwood, Denise Darcel, William Demarest. Gay new melody splashed musical romance, shimmers with Technicolor, dance specialties and is rollicking and refreshing every minute of the way!

Sunday shows at 2 p. m.—4:20—6:40 and 9

Tuesday-Wednesday, August 11-12

### INVASION U. S. A.

Gerald Mohr, Peggy Castle. A thought-provoking fantasy of what it might be like to experience an invasion of the United States.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday, August 13-14-15

### SHE'S BACK ON BROADWAY

Virginia Mayo, Gene Nelson, Frank Lovejoy, Steve Cochran, Patrice Wymore. A song 'n dancin' delight

### PECOS RIVER

Charles Starrétt, Smiley Burnette, Jack Mahoney in a Durango Kid Western.