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DENIES PERJURY—William Remington (right), former Department of Commerce economist, leaves Federal Court in New York with his attorney, Joseph L. Rau, after pleading innocent to charges that he lied when he denied ever having been a member of the Communist Party. He was paroled in custody of his attorney until he could raise \$5000 bail.

Decline in Number of Employers Coming Under Compensation Law

Salem, Ore., June 15—(U.P.)—For the first time since the war there has been a decline in the number of employers subject to the unemployment compensation law, the state unemployment compensation commission said today.

There was a slight recover in recent weeks, but about 700 fewer firms were on the commission's books early this month than one year ago.

Responsibility Placed
A large part of the decline in new registrations and a material rise in exemptions because of 1949 legislative amendments probably was responsible for the major part of the decrease, the commission said in an analysis showed. Some of the decline came from a rise in liquidations and consolidations.

Liable reporting units June 1 were 16,075 or about 6,000 more than the pre-1945 average. Firm openings during the first five months of 1950 numbered 1,404, as compared with 1,751 for the same period in 1949. In addition to this decline of 347 in new registrations, the number of concerns exempted from coverage was 170 greater than for the same period a year ago.

Other Changes
Officials said other changes in status also may have been brought about by the recent legislative action, but it is difficult to estimate the full effect of requiring contributions only from

those with four or more employees in six separate weeks of a quarter with payrolls over \$500. The number of construction fields accounted for more than half of recent voluntary closings or liquidations.

Registration rises continued from the last months of the war until late in 1948, when a peak near 17,000 was hit. There was a drop early last year, but the number regained ground last summer and early fall.

There was another drop last winter because of seasonal declines and with the new year exemptions period and the amendments, but subject firms still remain nearly 60 per cent above the prewar and wartime levels.

Folk and Square Dancing Scheduled

Central Point, June 15—A group that can perform the square and folk dances of many countries will present a program at the Central Point high school gymnasium starting at 8:30 p. m. Friday, June 16.

The dancers will be 10 members of the Stanford Hoedowners of Stanford university. They are making a 1,500-mile jaunt through western Oregon and northern California.

The affair is open to the public and there will be an opportunity for everybody to dance since instruction will be given in addition to the demonstrations. Miriam Lidster of the university physical education department will be caller.

Recent appearances of the group include the California state folk dance festival, the Stanford Mother's club charity fair, and an international fair. The Hoedowners reportedly are much in demand.

Federated Funsters, Central Point square and folk dance group, is program sponsor.

Circus Faces Lawsuit By Laundry Operator

Hartford, Conn., June 15—(U.P.)—The Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey combined shows was sued for \$250,000 today by a Washington, D.C., laundry operator who complained the circus cancelled a three-year contract it gave him to do its laundry and dry cleaning.

Cal Vagnara alleged he was to have received \$25,000 per season and that after less than a year during which he was paid \$5,688, the contract was terminated.

Air Force Plans Extensive Tests On New Fighters

Washington, June 15—(U.P.)—The air force begins extensive tests this week on three new jet "penetration" fighters to determine the best one for attacking deep in enemy territory.

The planes are the McDonnell XF-88, the Lockheed XF-90 and the North American XF-92A, modification of the "sabre" which holds a world's speed record of 670 miles an hour.

Powerful Punch Sought
The air force is striving to develop a fighter, packing a powerful punch that can fly 1,000 miles or more into enemy territory to attack both aircraft and ground targets.

The latest version of the F-84E "thunderjet" has a 1,000-mile combat radius when two 230-gallon gas tanks are added. But the air force wants to get this "penetration" without using wing tanks.

Comparative tests on the three experimental fighters at Edwards Air Base, Muroc, Cal., will last about three weeks. Each already has made successful flights individually.

Range Considered
Factors to be considered include range, speed, maneuverability, rate of climb, distance required to takeoff and land, operating ceiling, and stability and control characteristics in flight. Cockpit design including pilot comfort, and modification possibilities also will be considered.

All three planes, larger than present jet fighters, have swept-back wings and speeds close to the speed of sound. Swept-back wings are secret, but have been estimated from between more than 600 to more than 700 miles an hour, depending upon altitude.

The XF-88 and XF-90 are about the size of twin-engine transports. Each has two J-34 turbojet engines and a takeoff weight of 30,000 pounds.

The YF-93A is larger and more powerful than its predecessor, the all-purpose sabre.

Youths Plead Innocent In Redding Murders

Redding, Cal., June 15—(U.P.)—Two teenage youths pleaded innocent yesterday to charges of murdering undersheriff Earl Sholes and Deputy Daniel Heryford.

Following pleas, Superior Judge Albert F. Ross set July 18 as trial date for Robert Sturm, 19, Orland, Cal., and James McKay, 18, Sacramento.

Both youths confessed, police said, they killed the law enforcement officers May 25, 40 miles north of here. Sholes and Heryford were returning McKay and Sturm to a prison camp from which they escaped.

Attorneys Kennedy Jackson and Rupert Crittenden, representing McKay, said they would base their defense on the "unfortunate social background of our client." William Lally and Clarence Pease of Sacramento are court-appointed attorneys representing Sturm. The four lawyers were chosen by Ross when local lawyers declined to represent the youths.

RIPE OLD CIGAR
Maize, Kan.—(U.P.)—When A. P. Foster married he passed out cigars. His brother-in-law, L. B. Muma gave his back when the Fosters celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.



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HEALTHY—Lynn Moorhead (above) of San Antonio, Texas, took first place in the competition at Palmdale, N. J., winning the "1950 Swim for Health Queen" title.

Newspaper Charged In Anti-Trust Suit

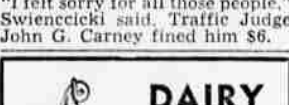
New Orleans, June 15—(U.P.)—The United States government filed a history-making suit in federal court today, charging that a morning-afternoon newspaper combination tried to break a competitor by "unlawfully" cornering advertising and circulation.

The suit, a civil action, accusing the Times-Picayune Publishing company and four officers and employees of violating the Sherman antitrust act. The newspaper which the defendants were accused of trying to destroy is the New Orleans Item.

Attorney Gen. J. Howard McGrath said in Washington that the defendants were charged with conspiring to "restrain and monopolize commerce in newspapers, in the dissemination of news and advertising, and in supplies." It also charges, he said, that the company entered into "unlawful contracts with its advertisers in violation of the same statute."

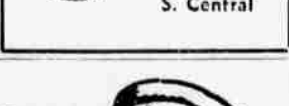
TOO BIG HEARTED
Detroit—(U.P.)—Peter Swiencicki pleaded guilty to removing tickets from several parked cars, "I felt sorry for all those people," Swiencicki said. Traffic Judge John G. Carney fined him \$6.

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... AROUND HOLLYWOOD

By VIRGINIA MacPHERSON
United Press Correspondent

Hollywood, June 15—(U.P.)—Ann Sheridan, who's been secretly sponsoring a "skid row" boys' club since 1947, came out in the open today to fight Los Angeles' current "rat pack" hysteria.

"Have to," the beautiful redhead said. "We're broke. All this news about 'teen-age attacks' has chopped off our donations."

"Nobody wants to give money to boys they think are sneaking up on people in the dark."

A wave of "teen-age gang" terrorism has been responsible recently for a series of robberies and beatings, characterized by the newspapers as "rat pack" attacks.

For three years Annie's been shelling out money, food, television sets, clothes, and jobs to Mickey Finn's youth clubs. Finn, a handsome, 27-year-old policeman, has a local "Boys Town" set-up in the heart of downtown skidrow.

"And the kids are crazy about her," he said. "They know she really cares about 'em. We've had other movie stars down there. They make big promises—but that's the last we ever hear of 'em."

Most of Finn's contributions have been dribbling in from businessmen and civic groups who think it's a good idea to keep underprivileged kids out of tangles with the law.

"But the rat packs cut those off—but god," Finn sighed. "Now we've got nobody but Annie."

She and Finn round up kids from the town's toughest districts for club meetings on the top floor of an old business building.

"When we first started we had nothin'," Finn said. "Then Annie heard about it. She said she'd like to come down. I didn't pay attention to that. I'd heard it from those movie stars before."

"But darned if she doesn't show up. Not in mink and satin like those others. She had on a skirt and sweater."

"Then she started talking to the kids... in their own language. Before long they were

telling her stuff they'd never even told me."

For three years Annie kept her checkbook open—and her pretty mouth shut. Press agents had strict orders to do likewise about the Finn club.

"But I finally convinced her she had to talk about it," Finn said. "The boys need the donations her name would bring in."

Mayor Asks Aid Of Citizens on Fireworks Safety

Stressing that Medford has become more densely populated and that fire risks are greater, Mayor Diamond Flynn has called upon residents to observe the existing ordinance concerning use of firecrackers inside the city limits.

Asks Cooperation
Flynn said he would like the cooperation of all the people in curbing flagrant abuse, rather than having to call upon city enforcement departments. Violation of the ordinance, he stated, throws an extreme strain upon police and firemen. He brought out the possibilities of loss of life and property.

The mayor reported that many complaints come from people who are ill or of nervous temperament and asked for consideration of their feelings.

It is the duty of every citizen to cooperate in refraining from bringing firecrackers into the city, Flynn declared.

New Service Station Opening in Jacksonville

Jacksonville, June 15—Novelties for children and favors for the ladies will be given away at the official opening of the E. L. Rasmussen garage and service station in Jacksonville Saturday, June 17.

The modern garage building on California street was completed this week by Rasmussen and his son, Elwood Rasmussen, who will assist in the business.

The new business will feature complete automotive service and supplies. Rasmussen and his son are Jacksonville residents and the senior Rasmussen has been in the automotive business for about 25 years.

Special Meeting Set By Lutheran Brothers

Zion Lutheran brotherhood, under the direction of Cecil McDonald and Wendall Mattson, president and secretary, will hold a special meeting at the church, Sunday evening, to which the ladies of the church are invited.

An unusual program is to be presented by two active laymen of the Pacific Synodical brotherhood, Max Gehlhar and Alvin Randall, both of Salem. Refreshments will be served by a local committee. The meeting will be at 8 p. m.

Salem, Ore., June 15—(U.P.)—State forestry officials said today that J. J. Mickalonis had been ordered to Astoria as resident forester.

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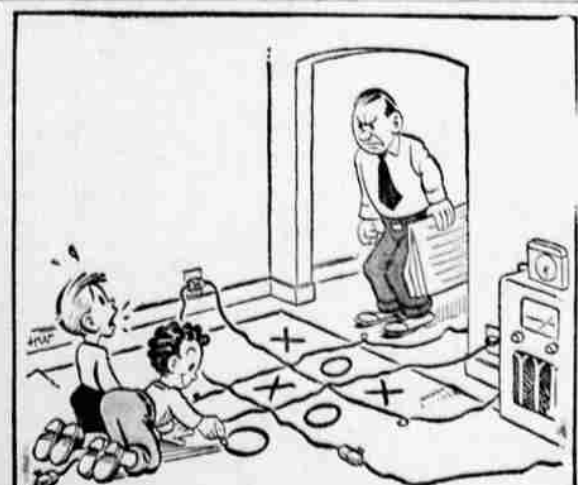
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