A LOT OF TAXES GO UP IN SMOKE—This B-36 superbomber burns fiercely after landing at Carswell Air Force Base near Fort Worth, Tex. Fire broke out in one of the engines and spread to the left wing as the plane was taxiing at 70 miles an hour along the runway. All 14 crew members aboard the huge 10-engine ship escaped injury. One fireman was burned fighting the blaze. The big plane was destroyed.

State Administrator Discusses Variety of Welfare Problems

Miss Loa Howard, administrator of the State Public Welfare commission, was a visitor at the monthly meeting of the Jackson County Welfare commission Friday afternoon.

The meeting covered a wide variety of problems, from the difficulties of individual welfare recipients to over-all problems of budgeting, administration and implications of new laws.

Miss Howard said that the state commission is depending on three laws, plus "tight" administration, to hold the financial line during a period inflation, and to counter the often-expressed fear that "chiselers" may creep onto welfare rolls, thereby making it more difficult for worthy recipients to receive a fair amount of assistance.

In Top Third

At the same time, she pointed out that Oregon is among the top third of all the nation's states in the average amounts paid to recipients, while it is among the bottom third in amounts spent on administration. Its case intake load is low, too, she said, which is another evidence that the administration is not "spendthrift," and the turnover of cases also reflects "tight" administration.

The three laws to which Miss Howard refers concern one which permits the state to place a claim (not a lien) against the estate of a deceased recipient; a law which places responsibility for the care of welfare recipients upon relatives financially able to assume the responsibility, and a law which makes it mandatory for local welfare commissions to refer cases of abandonment and desertion of fathers to the district attorney.

The state has already recovered substantial sums through the first two laws, Miss Howard said, and the third, when it is properly understood and effectuated, will result in substantial savings.

Mrs. Blanche Lyman, administrator of the county commission, presented a tentative budget for the coming fiscal year to the commission. The budget provides for an over-all increase of some $1,300, but the county's share of the funds to be raised was upped by more than $14,000.

This was explained by Mrs. Lyman as resulting from a combination of circumstances, including the fact that while average grants to recipients have increased somewhat to meet inflated costs, the contributions of the federal government have remained on a flat-rate, per case basis, leaving the state and county to make up the increases.

Caseloads Gain Little

The fact that the over-all increase was not greater was attributed to the fact that caseloads have gained little, none at all or in some cases have decreased, which is also another factor in the decreased percentage of federal assistance received.

The three members of the county court, Judge J. B. Coleman and Commissioners Robert Lytle and L. G. Morthland, said they wish more time to study the increases before they vote, as welfare commission members, to approve the proposed budget.

The commission voted to postpone, for lack of funds, a request by the city of Medford for payment of street paving assessments levied against property owned by recipients of welfare in three areas of the city.

Hear Statistics

The statistical report on cases for February, 1952, was presented. It showed 252 persons on the general assistance rolls, aided at a cost of $13,294, up somewhat from both last month and February, 1951. Foster home care during the month for 36 children was provided at a cost of $1,666, down from January.

The biggest item in the budget, old age assistance, was for 1,050 persons aided at a cost of $60,862. The number of cases was lower by 32 than the same month last year, but the cost was up some $3,000.

In February 366 children were aided at a cost of $13,644, well below the 439 and $15,918 in the same month of 1951.

Eight cases of aid to the blind cost $500 and 95 cases of aid to the permanently and totally disabled cost $6,172.

Flue Fire—City firemen answered a call to the home of Mrs. E. M. Page, 521 South Grape street, about 8:14 a.m. Saturday to extinguish a flue fire. No damage was reported.

Trash Fire — Firemen extinguished a trash fire at 818 Summit avenue about 6:15 p.m. Saturday, it was reported.

Contempt Charges Filed in Portland

Portland—(U.P.)—Contempt of court proceedings against Monroe Cox, 58, Portland, will be renewed here Wednesday after Circuit Judge Frank J. Lonergan postponed the case Friday to allow Cox to obtain a lawyer.

Cox was cited for contempt late Thursday and was jailed immediately after it was learned that he falsified testimony touching on his qualifications to sit as a juror in the March term of circuit court.

A routine check by the district attorney's office disclosed that Cox had been convicted in both state and federal courts on charges of obtaining money by false pretenses. Cox had claimed he had never been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude.

Missouri Phone Strike Idles 6,000 Employees

St. Louis—(U.P.)—A creeping paralysis crippled telephone service in Missouri Saturday as a stoppage which idled 6,000 employees in St. Louis spread to other cities in the Southwestern Bell Telephone system.

Early predictions by the company and the CIO Communications Workers of America were borne out as both sides remained deadlocked concerning the exact nature of the dispute and additional employes joined the walkout. Service was disrupted in 14 Missouri cities.

Gas Fumes Asphyxiate Two Indian Fishermen

Marietta, Wash.—(U.P.)—Two Indian fishermen from the Lummi reservation were asphyxiated Saturday when exhaust fumes filled their car after they had driven into a farmyard near here to sleep.

Coroner August Zoet identified the Indians as John Phair, 24, and Rudy Wilson, 25. They were found by farmer Clarence Pom after the victims had been dead for about four hours.

7:30 p.m. — "AGAIN PIONEERS." See this stirring film of Christianity applied to modern life. 70 minute film.

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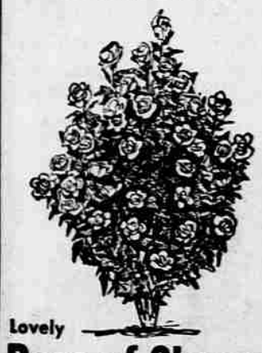

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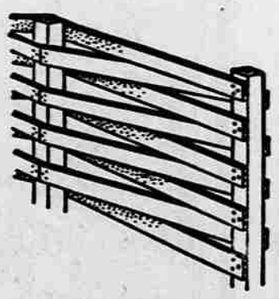

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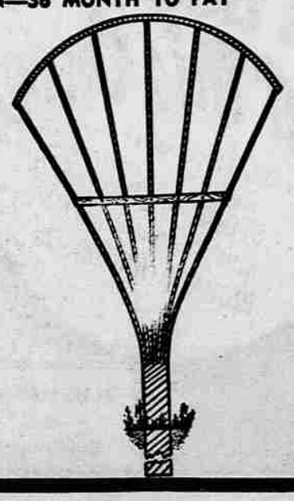

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