

Dan Elliott Sells Business; To Move

Dan Elliott, owner of Elliott Truck and Auto, 246 North Riverside ave., has announced the sale of his business and purchase of the Chevrolet and Oldsmobile dealership at Moscow, Ida. Dan and Jerome Haas, operators of Haas Brothers Sporting goods, have purchased Elliott's local business and will operate both businesses. The Elliott firm has sold used trucks, cranes and equipment. Elliott has been in business in the Medford area since 1947. He formerly owned Elliott motors on Barnett rd., and later Elliott Truck and Auto parts. **New Business** Elliott's new business in Idaho will be called Security Chevrolet company. It was purchased from Wes Jones, owner of the Inland Motor company, who is retiring. The transaction was effective Jan. 3, and Elliott and his family, who reside at 343 North Main st., Ashland, will move immediately. The Elliots have a daughter, Marlene, who will transfer from Ashland High school. A son, Jerry, is attending Southern Oregon college.

2 Americans Held In Panama Killing

Panama City — (U.P.) — Two Americans have been arrested and are being held incommunicado here in connection with the Sunday night murder of President Jose A. Remon, it was reported today. Irving M. Lipstein, tentatively identified as a Los Angeles school-teacher, and Roy Bethis, of Waukegan, Ill., a long-time resident of the Panama Canal zone, are among more than 70 persons arrested since the shooting. No charge has been filed against any of the prisoners. Lipstein, who flew in from Venezuela a few hours before the unidentified tommygunners slew Remon at the Juan Franco Race-track Sunday was arrested when he tried to board a Miami-bound plane here Tuesday night.

Washington Bank Robbed of \$67,055

Parkland, Wash. — (U.P.) — A gunman robbed the National Bank of Washington of \$67,055 yesterday, stuffed the money in a large paper bag and wished everyone a "Happy New Year" as he backed out the door. About 40 persons, including employees, were in the bank during the busy noon rush hour when the bandit entered the enclosure where officials have desks near the front of the large room and brandished an automatic pistol. "I want money. Get going," he told an employee. He left the bank with the money in the bag after shouting his new year's wish and vanished between nearby buildings. He was described by witnesses as from 33 to 40 years old with a thin face and sharp features and about 150-160 pounds in weight.

DAM BUSINESS

Holdrege, Neb. — (U.P.) — A group of duck hunters went into the dam-building business after a blind they built on the Platte River was left high and dry through a sudden channel shift. The hunters, rather than move the elaborate blind, got themselves some sandbags, dammed up the river flow and sent the water past the blind again.

New Year Fails To Bring Peace In West Coast Waterfront Strife

San Francisco — (U.P.) — The passage of 1954 into history did nothing to write finis to the long story of Pacific Coast waterfront strife.

Already, infant 1955 has seen picketing that threatened the sailing of the SS Tradewinds from Seattle to San Francisco. And the dawn of each new day sees the Coastwise Lines freighter Pacificus idle in San Pedro harbor—her cargo still in her holds—as she has been since Oct. 28.

Conferences Continued In San Francisco, National Labor Relations Board officials continued conferences on the forthcoming representation election of 6000 unlicensed sailors, firemen, cooks and stewards aboard Pacific Maritime Association ships.

If there is a common denominator on the waterfront labor scene, it is the uncommon rivalry between the Sailors' Union of the Pacific and the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union.

The PMA, which contributed to the Pacificus dispute by granting conflicting commitments to the rival unions, continues its watchful waiting policy after fruitless efforts at negotiations.

PMA Not Folding But J. Paul St. Sure, PMA's president, says he is sure of one thing: the PMA is not folding up despite reports to the contrary. He brusquely insists there is nothing to them.

"We can expect more union demands," he said when asked if he anticipated pressure from the various bargaining units which have a hand in waterfront activities.

Specifically, it is believed the Masters, Mates and Pilots of

America will ask a wage review soon. Unlicensed seamen also expect wage increases soon. Both the CIO Marine Engineers and Radio Officers are demanding a pension plan under threat of strike in February.

The PMA's contracts with the two AFL unions, the Sailors' and the Marine Firemen's, have expired though they continue in force on an unwritten day-to-day basis.

SUP President Harry Lundberg has promised to "make things tough" on the PMA at negotiation time if he doesn't get the PMA disciplining of the longshoremen that he desires.

Lundberg and Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, acting separately, killed any chances of strong federal action in the Pacificus matter. Lundberg granted PMA's request for a fact-finding panel an attempt on the

part of the ship owners to cover up an "unholy alliance" with the ILWU.

Mitchell said since the dispute did not vitally affect the national security it did not warrant the requested attention. Instead, a single federal conciliator was appointed to study the dispute.

The Pacificus squabble resulted from a conflict over unloading rights on coastal freighters and led to a refusal on the part

of both the ILWU and SUP to handle cargo on the ship. Subsequently, the longshoremen have agreed to give the sailors the rights they asked for "this one trip" but Lundberg wants future assurances. These have not been forthcoming.

Loss of Jobs Protested James O. Willoughby, port agent for the Marine Cooks and Stewards in Seattle, said picketing of the Tradewinds was by

former crew members who served aboard the famous old ship when she was the SS Aleutian on the Alaska run.

"They're protesting the loss of their jobs to a foreign crew," he said.

The ship, which was allowed to sail yesterday, was recently sold to the Caribbean Atlantic Lines and transferred to Liberian registry. An all-German crew was brought in to man her.

NAMED CITY ATTORNEY Corvallis — (U.P.) — LaVerne Johnson, 27-year-old Corvallis attorney, has been appointed city attorney here. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon law school in 1932 and has practiced law with a local firm for the past two years.

LAWYER DIES Portland — (U.P.) — Sidney L. Hayes, former Multnomah County deputy district attorney and a well-known local lawyer, died in a hospital here Tuesday night after suffering a heart attack at his home. He was 52.

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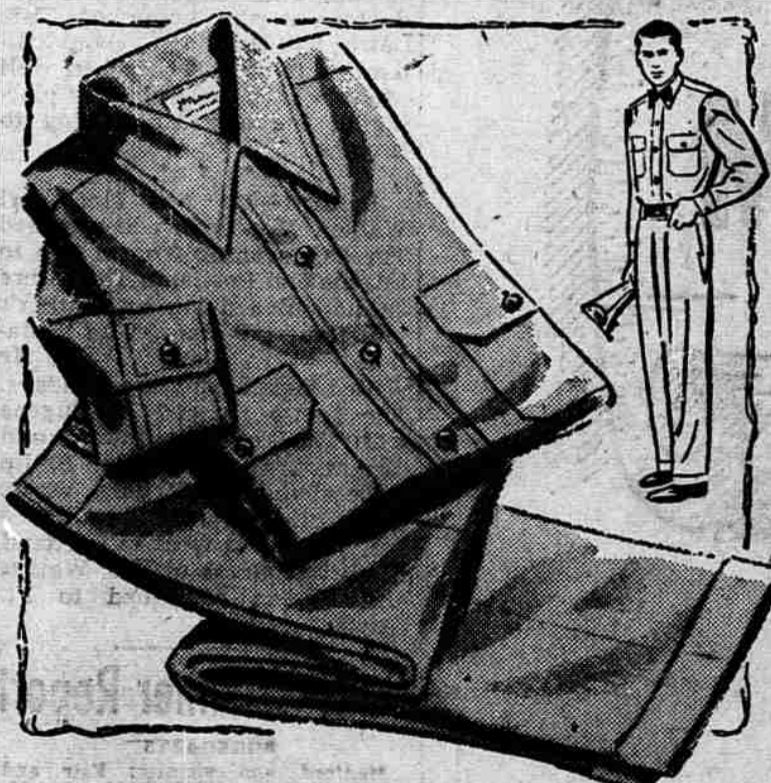
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