

Veteran of 40 Years at Hopping Fast Freights Dies in NY Traffic

New York — (U.P.) — For 40 years Roger Payne, Cambridge University graduate and "world's most educated hobo," roamed the wide open spaces by hitchhiking rides on speeding freight trains. Today, his body lay unclaimed in the city morgue, the victim of a traffic accident.

Payne, 78, died Wednesday in Bellevue Hospital where he had remained unconscious since Feb. 16. That was the day that the spry little man, who never lost his skill at hopping a freight, was struck down by an automobile at a Fourth ave. intersection.

Lectured Classes
Author as well as adventurer, the bespectacled Payne lectured college classes on the virtues of the Nomad's life and published many books and pamphlets.

One of these, a 395-page book entitled "Why Work?" set forth the advantages of a one-day work week and was published in 1939 by a Boston publishing house — which published five days a week.

Payne, a life-long Socialist, wrote one called, "The Impending Collapse of Stalinism," which

he printed privately. Though Payne was a man of many addresses, it was expected that his more intellectual friends on the Bowery would claim his body and give him a

Rogue River

Rogue River —Rogue River Executive board met Feb. 16 at the home of First District President Mrs. Wm. White on Pine street to plan the program for the First district convention April 20 to be held in Rogue River.

Parliamentarian of the Civic club, Mrs. Claude Willoughby, was given a surprise handkerchief shower for her birthday. All enjoyed the delicious birthday cake, ice cream and coffee served after the meeting. Present were the Mesdames Inez Galvin, Cloyd Dick, Phill Strahan, Claude Willoughby, Jerusha Moore, Hazel White, Ray Fauley, and Ruth Drumm.

Elizabeth Sheffield spent a few days last week visiting her brother in Eureka, Calif. Vern Bayless was painfully injured in a car accident north of Rogue River Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith and R. L. Hollins were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Whipple Feb. 20. All motored to visit the Jacksonville Museum.

Mrs. Mauv Watson of Silverton returned home last week after spending the past several days visiting relatives and friends in Grants Pass and Rogue River.

Womens Association of Hope Presbyterian church met at the Manse Feb. 17 with twenty ladies present. Dorothy Miller and Cleta Strickland served refreshments.

Jeff Irwin spent three days last week attending Presbyterian laymen's meetings at Sacramento, Calif.

Mrs. Ruth Drumm of East Evans Creek road, received word from her son Donald W. Drumm, who is stationed in Taipei, Formosa, of the following account of a rescue at sea.

"U. S. Air Force rescue planes today saved the lives of several Nationalist airmen in two accidents. A Nationalist F47 crashed three miles off Formosa. Two minutes later a helicopter crew took off and within 19 minutes they had picked the pilot out of the water and took him to a first aid station. Then another Nationalist P.44Y. seaplane lost a propeller while landing at the Pescadore Islands. The propeller struck the cockpit and injured the pilot. Within a few minutes a U. S. 2-engine sea plane had landed and picked up the injured crewmen."

F. M. Shontz of Shontz Supply, Highway 99, entered Josephine General Hospital Sat. Feb. 19.

Mariners club will hold their regular meeting Feb. 28 at 8:45 p.m. with a pot luck dinner in Fellowship hall. This will be the second meeting of the year.

Howard Shontz returned Tuesday to his home in Davis, Calif., after being called here by the illness of his father F. M. Shontz.

BELATED MEDAL

Watertown, S.D. — (U.P.) — It took about 10 years for Walter P. Howey to receive a Distinguished Flying Cross he won in World War II. Howey, a tail gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber, fought off repeated enemy attacks on the plane during a raid over a German aircraft factory in 1943. The 15th Air Force order awarding the DFC to Howey was issued in 1944 but Howey, now a Watertown policeman, was not notified of the honor until recently.

funeral. A British subject, he had no known family in this country.

Bachelor of Arts
Even some of the Skid Road set, however, viewed Payne with staunch criticism. He took baths. He never smoked. He didn't even drink wine.

Holding both bachelor of arts and bachelor of law degrees from Cambridge, Payne drew a sharp philosophical if not legal distinction between "hobo" and "bum."

"A hobo," he wrote, "is a vagabond, a foot-loose wanderer whose address is everywhere. But he will work to live—if necessary."

He brusquely defined a bum as "a man without hope."

Disbarment Urged for '5th Amendment' Lawyers

Chicago — (U.P.) — A committee of the American Bar Association has urged the disbarment of lawyers who invoke the Fifth Amendment in refusing to answer whether they are members of the Communist party.

Former Sen. Ben Day Back In College for Law Degree

Salem — Ben Day, who for several years served Jackson county as a state representative and senator, is now a temporary resident of Salem and, at the age of 42, has gone back to school.

Day, who until last fall operated extensive farming and ranching properties in the Sams Valley area of Jackson county, enrolled in the law school of Willamette university, and plans to study for three years to become a member of the bar.

Transition Not Tough
He said this week that the transition, from farming and politics to the life of a student, was not as tough as he thought it might be. "Studying in the university," he said, "is not a lot different than studying proposed new laws when I was a member of the legislature."

In a story about Day which ran in the Oregon Statesman here several months ago, he was quoted as wanting "to know what these laws I helped pass are all about."

His move has resulted in several curious circumstances. Technically, he's a college freshman, and as such rates lower than his son Kit, now a so-



BEN DAY
He's A Freshman

the upper classmen at Willamette Law school—who now rank him in the student hierarchy—not too long ago were asking him for advice and counsel in the legislative halls.

Can Take Exam in '57

According to the Statesman's article, written by Thomas G. Wright, Day will be eligible to take the state bar examination in 1957. But he'll still lack a college degree. Depression finances and his marriage interrupted his college education in the 1930s, after he attended Southern Oregon college and Oregon State college. But this did not bar him from enrolling in law school, nor will it hinder him from becoming a lawyer.

The Statesman's article went on to say:

"Political ambitions—though not for the state legislature—still remain for Day, who admitted if he returns to politics after his collegiate interlude it will be seeking higher office. And farmer-lawyer combinations in the past have proven peculiarly adept at making political hay."

"Actually Day's decision to switch careers in mid-stream dates much farther back than the day when he enrolled at Willamette."

"He gave himself two years to make the transition from farmer to student, part of it coming during a period when he

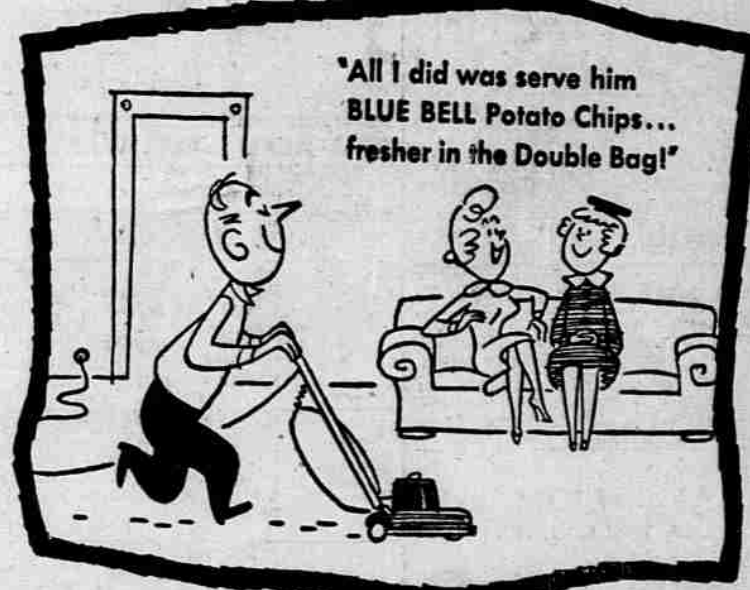
YEGGS DISAPPOINTED

Dix, Neb. — (U.P.) — Burglars carried a heavy safe three miles into the county during a blizzard only to find it empty, police reported.

was bedridden to recover from a serious back injury. During that time, he and the law books got on real friendly terms, a friendship he hopes will carry him through three years of school and that all-important bar examination, and a new career in law."

DID HE WANT WATER, TOO?
Dallas, Tex. — (U.P.) — A waitress said a customer hit her on the head with a soft drink bottle today because she refused his request. She said she refused to serve him catsup to use on sandwiches he had brought into the cafe.

WOMEN ENGINEERS
Providence, R. I. — (U.P.) — The Providence Engineering Society has decided to recognize the 19th Amendment. The 60-year-old society voted to admit female engineers.



LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL ACCOUNT
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CYRUS P. SWINNEY, deceased, known as C. P. Swinney. Decedent. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned administrator has filed herein his final report and account, and that March 14, 1955, at 9:30 o'clock A.M. in the Court Room of the above entitled court at the court house in Medford, Oregon, has been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing objections to said final account and for the examination and allowance thereof.

Leonard A. Swinney
Administrator

NOTICE
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROLINE MAUD ERATT, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his Final Account in the above entitled matter, and the above entitled Court has fixed the 14th day of March, 1955, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the Court Room in the Court House in Medford, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Account and for the settlement thereof.

MANVILLE M. HEISEL
Administrator
with the Will Annexed
SKYRMAN, OUELLETTE & HEISEL
Attorneys for Administrator

TIMBER FOR SALE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, ORAL AUCTION BIDS as hereinafter designated will be received by the District Forester, Bureau of Land Management, City Hall, Medford, Oregon, beginning at 10:30 A.M., on **PACIFIC STANDARD TIME**, on **March 17, 1955** for all timber marked or designated for cutting. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and submission of bids should be obtained from the District Forester. The right is hereby reserved to waive technical defects in this advertisement and to reject any or all bids. The United States reserves the right to waive any informality in bids received whenever such waiver is in the interest of the United States. **IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON: JACKSON MARKETING AREA: O&C: GREEN** All timber designated for sale is as follows: **W-554, Sec. 3, T. 34 S., R. 3 E., W.M.** estimated for the purpose of this sale to be 1525 M bd. ft. Douglas fir, 1 M bd. ft. Ponderosa pine, 7 M bd. ft. Sugar pine, 119 M bd. ft. Incense cedar, 370 M bd. ft. White fir, 27 M bd. ft. Hemlock. No bid for less than \$13.40 per M bd. ft. for Douglas fir, \$13.30 per M bd. ft. for Ponderosa pine, \$26.20 per M bd. ft. for Sugar pine, \$6.00 per M bd. ft. for Incense cedar, \$6.00 per M bd. ft. for White fir, \$3.00 per M bd. ft. for Western Hemlock, or a total purchase price of \$23,646.70 will be considered. Minimum deposit with bid \$1,800.00.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF LOUISA SUNQUIST, for Change of Name

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that LOUISA SUNQUIST has made application to the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Jackson for a decree changing her name to LOUISE SUNQUIST, and that a hearing on said application will be held in the Circuit Court Room at the Court House in Medford, Oregon, on Monday, the 28th day of February, 1955, at the hour of ten o'clock A.M. and all persons interested and whomsoever might be concerned are hereby notified to appear at said time and place and offer any show cause, if they may have any, why said application should not be granted and a decree to such effect entered therein.

DATED and published at Medford, Oregon, this 24th day of February, 1955.

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