

Four Discussed as Possible President Of Senate in 1957

Salem—(U.P.)—Names of four senators have been heard around the capitol here recently as possibilities in the election of the state Senate president for the 1957 legislature.

Paul Geddes of Roseburg, Warren Gill of Lebanon, Stewart Hardie of Condon and Warren McMinnimee of Tillamook have all been mentioned for the spot.

Geddes is serving his second senate term after two previous terms in the house. He practices law in Roseburg and served a term as president of the Oregon Bar.

Gill has had the same number of terms in both houses as Geddes and is also a lawyer with a practice at Lebanon.

Hardie, a Condon newspaper publisher, became a senator in 1948 after 12 years as Gilliam county clerk. Both he and Gill are holdover senators.

McMinnimee was district attorney of Tillamook county before he came to the senate in 1953. He was a member of the board of governors of the state bar and a past president of the state district attorneys association.

His term, along with that of Geddes, expires next January.

All four senators serve as chairmen of important senate committees.

New Map Scheduled For Mt. McKinley

Boston—(U.P.)—Part of a five-man expedition has left for Alaska to complete field work for a new map of Mt. McKinley and 400 square miles around its peak.

The map project was started 10 years ago by Bradford Washburn, director of Boston's Museum of Science. Washburn leaves with Richard T. Kleber of the museum's education department, David R. Fisher of Burlington, Ontario, veteran climber, also is heading for the mapping site.

Two other members of the expedition will join the party March 26. They are Carlton P. Fuller, vice-president of Polaroid Corp., and George J. Gardner Jr., partner of Paine, Webber, Jackson and Curtis, Investment Brokers.

Realty Board Here Endorses Tax Plans

The Medford Realty board has endorsed two proposed changes in national taxation, according to Clark Walker, president.

One would revise federal law to allow communities to receive a tax equivalent payment from the federal government for real property owned in the community, and the other would change the GI bill to enable qualified veterans to obtain the same loan guaranty benefits on the purchase of a farm as are now available to purchasers of homes, Walker said.

4-H Club News

Reese Creek Club
The Reese Creek Renegades met at the home of Cliff Moore on March 8 at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Moore said he had ordered the film on Bangs and it should be here in two weeks.

We decided, if weather permits, we would take a tour of the members' homes and look at their project during spring vacation.

Marvena Nelson read two articles, "Better Health for Your Livestock" and "Dairy Judging." Refreshments were served by Mrs. Moore. Next meeting will be at the home of Joyce and Janet Johnston.

Janet Johnston, Reporter

Applegate Knit-Wits
The Applegate Knit-Wits met at the home of Anita Rosemus on March 8. We talked about the candy sale we were to have at the Applegate Minstrel show on March 11.

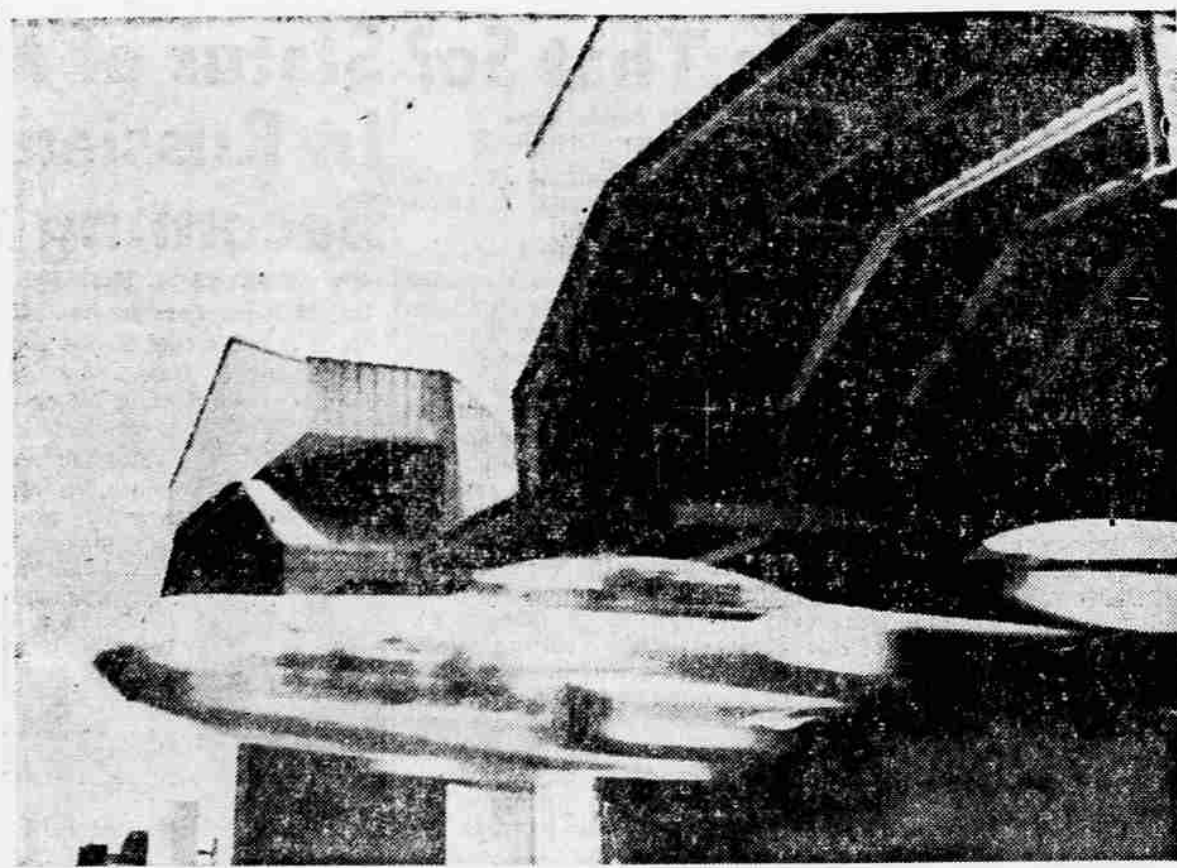
Next meeting will be at the home of Dona Brown, March 22. Dona Brown, Reporter

Upper Rogue Club
There will be an organization meeting of Upper Rogue 4-H Rabbit club at the Shady Cove school gym on Wednesday, March 16, at 2 p.m. All interested in joining the club are invited to this meeting.
Grace Peile, Reporter

Central Point Unit Schedules Session

Central Point—Central Point Extension unit will meet Wednesday, March 16, at the home of Mrs. Leo Ghelardi, Old Stage road. A project on vegetables will be demonstrated by Mrs. Paul Snook and Mrs. Gene Snook, leaders, during the morning session to begin at 10:30 a.m.

All women attending are asked to take table service. Anyone wishing transportation is asked to be at the Grange hall at 10 a.m. Child care will be available at the home of Mrs. Paul Jones on Laurel street in Central Point.



NO DELAY—An F-94C Starfire jet fighter plane streaks out of its hangar at Air Force base on New Castle County Airport, N. J., in answer to alert call from Civil Defense. These jet interceptors take off directly from hangars so they can be in the air in a matter of minutes after alert. (U. S. Air Force Photo)

Ex-Texas Man Works While He Whistles

Chicago—(U.P.)—Fred Lowery doesn't exactly whistle while he works. He works while he whistles. And he earns up to \$35,000 a year at the job.

"Pretty good for a man who's practically blind, huh?" he asks in a Texas drawl.

Fred is so good at whistling that he's teaching the birds how to do it.

In a few weeks he's bringing out a record entitled "Fred Lowery Whistles for the Birds." People with pet parakeets, mocking birds, cardinals and parrots can use it to teach the birds simple melodies and to "talk" by varying the pitch and tone of their whistles.

Whistled for MGM Record
Fred is best-known right now as the man who did the whistling for the M-G-M recording of "The High and Mighty." But he doesn't expect its popularity to beat the recording he did for Columbia of "Indian Love Call."

"That sold more than 2,000,000 records," he said. Husky, ruddy-faced and 45 years old, Lowery is a native of Palestine, Tex. An affliction at the age of two caused removal of one eye. The other is virtually sightless.

Started Whistling
It was because of his blindness that Fred started whistling. "While I was in the Texas School for the Blind in Austin, I studied violin, piano and voice," he said. "But because you can't read music, a blind musician just about has to be a genius—like Alec Templeton or Art Tatum—to make good."

"One day a professional whistler gave a whistling contest. I won and my prize was two lessons."

From then on, Fred practiced whistling six hours a day and, at 22, made his first professional "concert" over Dallas radio station WFAA. Shortly afterwards he appeared on the old Rudy Vallee Show and then landed a job whistling with Vincent Lopez's band for four years. Later he was with Horace Heidt for almost eight years.

Our Own Company
Now he owns his own recording company with studios in New York which press 50 sides a year. He also appears in night clubs, on television, and for charity besides teaching others to whistle.

"My pupils have included Mary Martin and actress Joan Barton," he said. On March 22, he'll appear on Steve Allen's TV show, "Tonight."

Fred moved his permanent residence here recently, installing his attractive wife, Grace, and 13-year-old son, Scooter, in a northside apartment.

Throat Whistling
Because he specializes in "throat whistling," Fred doesn't have to pucker his lips.

"That's handy in case someone's eating persimmons while I'm trying to whistle," he said.

Anniversary Medley
Know anybody who is having a 25th wedding anniversary this year? Would they like to have a medley of the songs popular a quarter of a century ago played at their silver wedding party? If so, here are the top songs of

He can even whistle a duet, and, during frequent woodland walks, he "talks" with the wild birds. A six-inch chest expansion gives him volume.

Fred whistles "by ear" and admits he has a poor "musical memory."

Last week, MGM recording director Leroy Holmes flew in the

theme record of a new movie, "Unchained," just so Fred could dub in eight bars. Today, Fred couldn't remember the melody.

He also has one other source of embarrassment.

"I never learned to whistle on my fingers," he said. "So I can't whistle real loud. I always have to ask someone else to whistle me up a taxicab."

On The Side

By E. V. Durling

(Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

Beware, young fellow, of beautiful girls. Fear the charm of the skirt that whirrs. The shapely bust and the well-laced bodice. When women grow loving you can be sure. That slinky lures within their rapture. Love's ABC is this: Art to allure, Beauty that blinds and a charm to capture.

—Hugo.
At what age did your first baby start talking? A Pennsylvania subscriber says her child, a girl, started talking at the age of 3 1/2 months! Her first word was neither "Mama" or "Papa." It was "Evie." Seems her mother's name is Evelyn but is called "Evie" for short. So that's where the remarkable infant being discussed got the idea.

Flying Saucers
Have you seen any so-called "flying saucers"? If so, it is not necessarily so that your eyes deceived you. According to those who know there is a type of aircraft resembling a flying saucer. It doesn't come from Mars. In fact, similar aircraft were flying about Great Britain 37 years ago.

During World War I the British developed a circular wingcraft that looked something like a saucer. However, the British called their plane the "Flying Doughnut." It was used for observation purposes. Right now, both the United States and Soviet Russia are believed to have perfected "flying saucer" jet planes.

Passing By
Florence Walton. Once of the great ballroom dance team of Maurice and Walton. She was Maurice's original partner. Leonora Hughes followed her. Maurice passed on some years ago. Florence lives in Manhattan. Leonora married a South American millionaire and lives somewhere in the Argentine republic.

... Jean Patchett. Lengthy Baltimore blonde who is rated America's No. 3 fashion model. Her earnings average \$600 a week. Jean's height is five feet nine, barefoot. Her weight is 115, bust 34, waist 22, and hips 35.

Percy The Painter Returns to Jail
Mineola, N.Y. — (U.P.) — Percy Ousterman, 57, was sentenced Saturday to his 50th jail term for drunkenness.

Ousterman is known to authorities as "Percy the Painter." That's because every time he paints the town he winds up painting the county jail.

In the total of more than five years he has spent behind bars, he has painted more of the county jail than any other prisoner.

Dancing Classes Set For Today, Tuesday

A free workshop in square dancing, couple dances and mixers is scheduled for today and Tuesday at the Medford Junior High school gymnasium.

Classes, under the direction of Ed Durlacher, nationally known caller and teacher, will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. and from 8 to 10:30 p.m. both days.

The classes are open to teachers, recreation leaders, youth and adult activity leaders, college students majoring in physical education, and Southern Oregon college students who may be required to teach physical education in the elementary schools.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Lee Ragsdale, supervisor of physical education for the Medford city schools.

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