

Sunset Accident Kills Elderly Woman

Portland—(U.P.)—An elderly woman died in a local hospital last night several hours after the car in which she was riding was involved in an accident on the Sunset highway.

The victim was identified as Mrs. Marian McCroskey, 74. Her husband, LeForest McCroskey, 71, was hospitalized with possible head and body injuries.

State Policeman Fred Gibson said McCroskey told him he was going east when he apparently fell asleep and lost control of the car, which went across the highway and struck a parked car.

Imported Communists Win San Marino Election

Republic of San Marino—(U.P.)—The Communists imported some 1,600 voters Sunday to beat the Democrats in a show-down election and retain control of the only Red-dominated state in Western Europe.

By winning, the Reds thwarted a concerted drive by an American delegation and the tiny republic's non-voting women to replace Communism with democracy.

The electoral office announced 3,008 votes for the Communists and their Socialist allies, and 2,358 for the Christian Democratic and Social Democratic opposition.



Sawdust Empire . . .

Next winter or spring Alfred A. Knopf—who published "Paul Bunyan" and other books of mine in the 1920s—will bring forth a new volume on the Pacific Northwest, entitled "Sawdust Empire." It is by Howard M. Brier, journalism professor at the University of Washington, author of many popular juvenile stores, and former director of the Keep Washington Green Association.

Thousands of young husbands and fathers of today all over the U. S. A. swore by Brier's stories of flying and industry in their high school years. None of them can doubt that the Brier ability to keep a story sailing while citing educational items about the passing scenes and people will be at work in his adult story of the Northwest.

Howard Brier's groundwork knowledge of the Pacific Northwest country was gained, in large part, through service with "Keep Green." As Assistant KWG director under Stewart Holbrook in 1943, Brier traveled around and around Washington state.

Then as Holbrook's successor he added excursions into Oregon,

Idaho, Northern California and British Columbia. With his own writing and a full-time university teaching job, Brier's hands overflowed with work to do, as Keep Green grew on and on into a powerful conservation movement. So he retired to just two jobs.

In education, Brier's specialty was high school journalism. For several years he has conducted an immensely successful annual convocation of western high school journalists and faculty advisers at the University of Washington, under the banner of "Pacific Slope Press." A long-time member and former president of Seattle Free Lances, the grand lodge of the region's professional writers, Literatus Brier spends a splendid share of what he solemnly calls his "idle time" in teaching the writing of juvenile fiction to extension classes.

The title of the forthcoming Knopf book by busy Brier suggests that at last there's to be a volume on the nation's northwest corner that puts the forest industry out front as the region's economic powerhouse, with lumber the big wheel of our "Sawdust Empire."

Publisher with Bark On . . . Alfred Knopf told me about "Sawdust Empire" on a drive that began at dawn, up from Seattle and around Rainier National Park. It was a rare experience to hear him hold forth with such enthusiasm about western forests and mountains and books, and to cogitate that for night on 40 years Knopf fame has grown as the chief American publisher of the great modern books of Europe.

The Scandinavian countries are particularly in debt to Alfred A. Knopf—and to his wife, Blanche W. Knopf, who has been his working partner all the way through—for making the finest writers of the old countries known to American readers. Recently Alfred flew to Switzerland to help celebrate the 80th birthday of the mightiest man of the written word on his list—Thomas Mann.

At the same time, the Knopfs have searched all corners of the United States for writers with things new, significant, or simply amusing to say about their native land and its lore. They have just published a small book with big values by Stewart Holbrook on James J. Hill, for example.

Alfred is serving his last year as chairman of the Advisory Board on National Parks, Historic Sites, Buildings and Monuments. He is primed with first-hand facts on most of these U.S. Government reservations, large and little.

With Super. Preston Macy and Snoqualmie National Forest Supervisor Lawrence Barrett leading the way, and the weather shining bright, the publisher of Thomas Mann and Howard Brier had himself a great day in our Cascade Mountains. His final comment was not literary but it came from the heart:

"Well, you people have got yourselves a mountain."

Appeal Considered In Railroad Ruling

Salem—(U.P.)—Public Utilities Commission Charles H. Heltzel said yesterday an appeal was under consideration from a Circuit Court decision which gave the Portland Traction Company the right to reduce interurban runs without approval of the Public Utilities Commission.

Heltzel said he would study the problem with John McCullough, his counsel, before making a decision.

The official said hearings on the traction company service cut and on abandonment of railroad passenger service by Southern Pacific from Portland to Ashland would be scheduled. If need for service is shown, restoration of schedules may be ordered.

WANTS STORM BOMBS

Wilmington, N.C.—(U.P.)—George Brown, of Los Angeles, suggested today in a letter to the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce that "man-made old style bombs" fired into the center of Hurricane Diane would dissipate the storm. He said that the Los Angeles chamber send on the same remedy for the late Hurricane Connie but said they didn't do so.

Author of Famous Reader Was Poor Businessman

Detroit—(U.P.)—The man who wrote America's all-time best-selling book was a noted scholar but a poor businessman.

The author, William Holmes McGuffey, sold his famous "Eclectic Readers" to his publisher with the agreement he would receive a 10 per cent royalty until the sum reached \$1,000, after which the books became the publisher's property.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THIRTEEN

REDS TO MOSCOW

Taipei, Formosa—(U.P.)—Two Communist Chinese leaders, Liu Shao Chi and Chen Yi, have been summoned to Moscow for an emergency meeting, Tataro News Agency reported Monday night. The Nationalist Chinese news agency said the Reds would stay in the Soviet capital for about 10 days. It gave no details about the visit.

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Norwegian Consul Probes Ship Explosion

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Acting Norwegian Consul General Anton Smith-Meyer prepared today to open a hearing into an engine room explosion aboard the Norwegian freighter Tancred that killed two crew members and injured four others last Saturday.

The proceedings were to be held in the consulate offices. They were to be closed to the public.

Smith-Meyer said he would call all witnesses who could help determine the cause of the mysterious explosion.

A spokesman for the U.S. Coast Guard said that the Coast Guard will hold no investigation because the accident took place outside its jurisdiction. The scene of the accident was 120 miles west of San Francisco. The Tancred was bound for San Francisco from Yokohama at the time.

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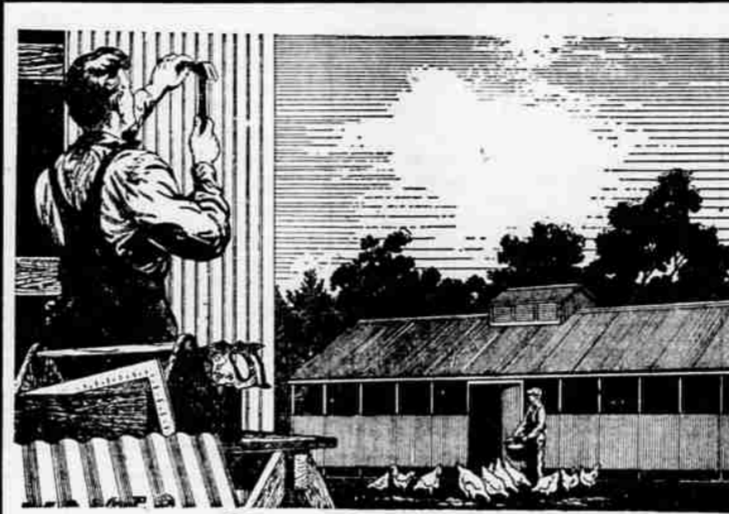
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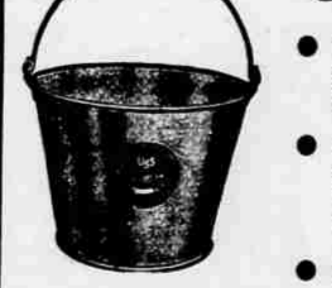


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