

Nine Sworn in as Legion Members; Champlin Speaker

A total of nine people, the eligible staff of two Medford business firms, were sworn into the local American Legion Post 15 during a recent post meeting, according to Bud Fisher, commander.

Clifton Hammill, Robert Beaty, George Beer, Donald Allen and Al Olufsen, all veteran employees of the City Appliance Co., and Bert Hughes, Roland Hogue, Gerald DeJanvier and Vern Casey, students and operators of the Robertson School of Business were welcomed into the Post's ranks with a formal talk by Medford police chief Charles Champlin over the American Legion and Local Government, Fisher said.

Champlin emphasized the importance of the Legion training program and the opportunity members had of serving the community.

"Law and order is every one's duty," Champlin said, speaking of the Legion's activities of preventing "witch-hunting" and protecting innocent persons of unjust accusations. He closed his talk by offering his service to any and all of the new members wishing to call upon him in the future.

Less Robertson, owner-manager of the Robertson school of business, brought in four of his operator-students, Fisher said. They had become interested in the Legion program after helping to assemble and print the local Legion paper, "The Reveille," Fisher said. N. H. Zacharisen of City Appliance stated he was "proud" of his group of five's interest in community affairs.

Consolidated Buys Three Truck Lines

Portland — (U.P.)—Purchase of three trucking lines by Consolidated Freightways of Portland has been announced here.

Consolidated said it had bought Coast Freight Lines of Coos Bay, Beardmore Transfer Line of Spokane and Model Truck & Storage Co., of Bellingham, Wash.

Coast Freight serves the southwestern coastal area from Gardiner and Reedsport in Oregon to Crescent City in northern California.

Beardmore operates in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana and will become a subsidiary company to Consolidated. Model is being operated by Consolidated under temporary authority.

Total amount of the transaction was listed at \$301,000.



JOIN AMERICAN LEGION—Nine men were sworn into the American Legion Post 15 and were welcomed into the organization by a talk given by Charles Champlin, Medford chief of police. Shown above are the candidates and the police officer. Pictured in the front row (left to right) are Chief Champlin

as he congratulates N. H. Zacharisen, of City Appliance company, and Bert Hughes, Les Robertson, Roland Hogue, Gerald DeJanvier and Vern Casey. In the back row (left to right) are Clifton Hammill, Robert Beaty, George Beer, Donald Allen and Al Olufsen.

Troutdale Aluminum Fumes Bring Suit

Portland — (U.P.)—A \$350,000 damage suit brought against the Reynolds Metals company by three former Troutdale, Ore., residents opened in Federal court here yesterday.

The consolidated trial will hear suits brought by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Martin and their daughter, Mrs. Paula Yturbi. The Martins seek \$100,000 apiece and their daughter \$150,000 for injuries allegedly suffered from fumes caused by the Troutdale plant.

The three complaints contend the fumes caused permanent injuries when the Martins and their daughter lived on their 150 acre ranch near the aluminum reduction plant from 1946-50.

Martin was awarded \$48,135 in federal court in 1951 for damage to livestock, and his suit for an injunction to halt further operation of the plant will be heard following the current trial.

U.S. District Judge William East is presiding at the jury trial.

Oregon Democratic Secretary Resigns

Portland — (U.P.)—Margaret (Peg) Clarke has resigned as executive secretary of the Oregon Democratic party, Central Committee Chairman Howard Morgan announced today.

Morgan said a successor had not yet been named. The resignation becomes effective between Sept. 2 and 9.

Miss Clarke said she was resigning to take a teaching position at Portland State college. She will teach English.

Ike Convinced On Foreign Aid

Washington — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower is convinced America's foreign aid program is well worth the money because of the way it is "stiffening" the free world's defenses against aggression.

In his semi-annual aid report to Congress, Mr. Eisenhower said today there is no other way to reap so many security dividends so cheaply.

He reported that the U. S. economic, military, and technical assistance programs have helped give the free world both "stiffer defenses against aggression" and "stronger economies." "Added together, these measures have brought the free world as a whole to a position of measurably greater security and have made the ground firmer for further forward movement," he said.

"In the current world situation, the dollars invested in the mutual security program have brought greater security to the people of the United States than could the same amount of dollars used in any other manner."

The report, covering the six-month period ending June 30, noted that economic recovery has made it possible to terminate almost all non-military assistance to Europe, shifting the emphasis to Asia, where it is sorely needed.

AN OLD CUSTOMER

Medford, Mass. — (U.P.)—Liquor store clerk Richard Dyer, 53, didn't blink an eye when a gunman threatened to "blow his brains out." Dyer wearily handed over his money. It was the third time in a month he had been held up — by the same bandit.

Government Delays Copper, Nickel Orders

Washington — (U.P.)—The government has postponed its orders for 26,000 tons of copper and 1,250,000 pounds of nickel to permit private industry to buy supplies it needs.

The copper was to have gone into the government's defense production inventory and the national stockpile between Oct. 1 and March 31. The deadline is now postponed by the Office of Defense Mobilization until next June 30.

The nickel was to have been delivered to the government next month. The government had already reduced its September order by one million pounds. The additional release should, make more nickel available for non-defense use than has been the monthly average during the past 18 months, ODM said.

Flash Flood Rips Railroad Tracks

San Francisco — (U.P.)—Western Pacific railroad officials announced today that passenger trains were being derailed over Southern Pacific tracks after a flash flood ripped over 700 feet of Western Pacific rails in Eastern Nevada.

The washout took place between Silver Zone, Nev., and Wendover, Utah. The company said flood waters rose as much as 15 feet along the railroad roadbed following torrential rain.

Many motorists on U. S. 40 were stalled when the flood washed out several hundred feet of highway, but there were no reports of any injuries or of damage to cars, it as reported.

Touring Farmer Says Russians Feel They Are Not Free

Washington — (U.P.)—A Russian-born American farmer just returned from a tour of Soviet farms said today he got the impression the Russians do not feel they are free.

Julius M. Kleiner, Nampa, Ia., who was born in Stolnoye, Russia, in 1892, said, "I could feel the tensity in the air."

"The air was loaded," Kleiner added. "I don't know that my companions got the same impressions, but because I speak the language and understand the people there, that is the impression I got."

Kleiner was one of the 12-man American farm delegation which spent more than a month touring the Soviet Union. He and some of his companions held a news conference today.

Kleiner, a naturalized American citizen, was educated at the University of Kiev and came here in 1915.

"I have no desire to live there again," he said.

Kleiner and six other members of the American farm group were welcomed here by Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson.

Kleiner said the "peasants, the common folk" with whom he spoke "appealed to us for peace."

"They met us with open arms and flowers," Kleiner said, "but they felt we were getting ready for war."

John M. Jacobs, irrigation farmer from Phoenix, said he did not find any major techniques in Russian irrigation farming that he would adopt.

Several members emphasized the central control wielded from Moscow over Russian farmers.

McDill Jet Holds Lead in Bombings

Merch AFB, Calif. — (U.P.)—A B47 Stratojet, from McDill Air Force Base, Fla., today held the lead in the annual bombing competition among top-rated crews of the Strategic Air Command.

The McDill jet, commanded by Maj. W. J. Hynds, took top honors in yesterday's opening round of the bombing "world series."

Seven other B47s placed in the top 10 positions of the first 34 planes in the five-day competition which will end Monday. The planes dropped theoretical hydrogen bombs on Los Angeles, Sacramento and Spokane during 3000-mile missions.

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R. L. Lee Named To Five-Year Term On WWO Group

Robert L. Lee, Medford, has been elected to the Water Works Operators certification committee, it was announced this week. Lee is assistant superintendent of the Medford city water department.

Lee received the appointment after completing a voluntary certification program in July, 1954, which graded him as a Water Works Operator I. Requirements for the designation are five years of experience credits, completion of 76 hours of training credits, with at least 60 hours obtained from a formal water works school, and scoring not less than 70 per cent on a written test.

Operators of this category are deemed, by the committee, as able to have responsibility to take complete charge of a water system serving a population of 3,500 persons or more. This is the highest rating awarded in the field.

"The committee was formed as a protection to cities, and especially small towns," Lee said. The purpose of the certification program is to examine and rate men in the water works profession to establish a standard of proficiency.

The certification committee to which Lee has been appointed consists of seven members, including one representative from the engineering staff of the Oregon State Board of Health, one representative from the Oregon State college department of civil engineering, and five water superintendents or operators, selected to represent "as far as possible", all grade of operators. Lee was elected to a five-year term to expire in 1960.

Benefit Dance Set at Phoenix

Phoenix — A benefit "hard-time" dance, to which the public is invited will be held at Phoenix Community hall Saturday, Aug. 27 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., sponsored by the Phoenix firemen and auxiliary. The event is being held for the purpose of raising money to buy a resuscitator to be used in that vicinity.

Prizes will be given for the costumes judges best. Chap's Roadside rasicals will furnish the dance music. Refreshments will be served.

The apple blossom is Michigan's official flower and the robin is the state's official bird.

Jealous Man Murders Wife in Crowded Drive-in Restaurant

Stockton, Calif. — (U.P.)—A jealous Stockton punch press operator shot and killed his estranged wife last night as she ran screaming through a crowded drive-in restaurant where she was employed as a carhop.

Willie Lloyd Cartwright, 31, who later told authorities "I loved my wife more than anyone in the world," then calmly pumped four more shots from a .30-30 deer rifle into the fallen body of his wife, Eula Bernice, 29, as some 100 patrons watched in horror.

Cartwright surrendered to police shortly afterwards in a nearby tavern. He was booked on a murder charge.

Leg Nearly Severed
The victim, mother of three children, had her right leg nearly severed by one of the five bullets fired by Cartwright, who went on strike with some 160 other workers at the International Harvester Co. plant here this week. The bullets also ripped through fenders and hoods of three parked cars in Dick's drive-in but none of the occupants was injured.

In a statement to Dep. Dist. Atty. William Roberts and Irving Coren, Cartwright admitted he had planned the slaying.

Cartwright told Roberts and Corren he was jealous over his wife's boy friend. Earlier in the evening, he had warned his oldest child, Mary Louise, 12, "well, you'll never have him for a father."

Started Drinking
Cartwright told the attorneys he started drinking in the afternoon and then went to his father's home where he obtained the rifle.

When he reached the drive-in, he said he and his wife quarreled over a \$25 bill she wanted him to pay. Witnesses reported Cartwright grabbed the rifle from the floorboard of the car and began firing at his wife as she ran from the vehicle in terror.

The couple was married in 1941 in Wilburton, Okla., and had lived in Stockton since 1949. They separated about a month ago.

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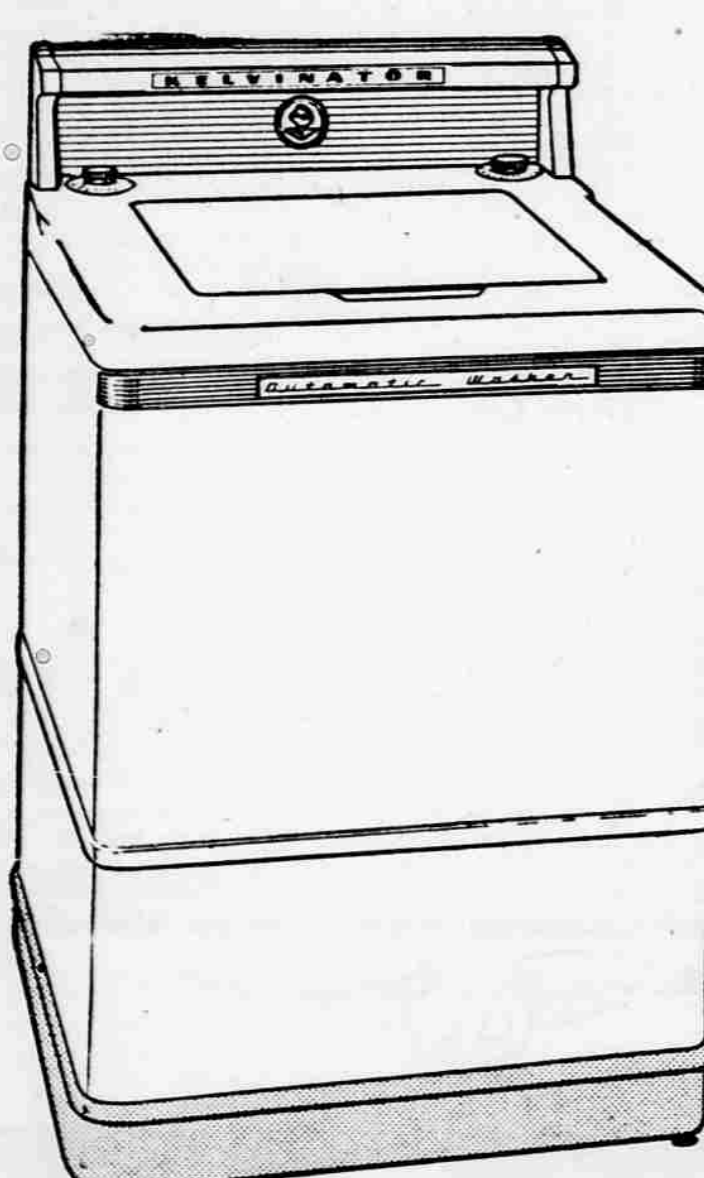
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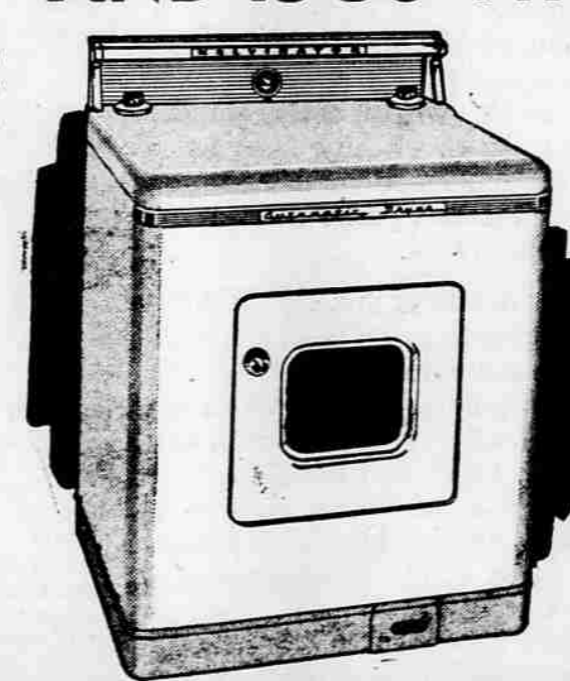


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