



OPENING REIGN with visit to New York, Sharon Kay Ritchie, 18, "Miss America, 1956," pours coffee for parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Ritchie, Grand Island, Neb. She is Denver, Colo., college student, plans stage career. (International)

Los Angeles Area Braced for Heavy Attack of Smog

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—The Los Angeles area brace itself for another heavy smog attack today as state, county and city authorities prepared use of emergency disaster measures if necessary.

The densest smog on record blanketed the area yesterday with choking, irritating fumes which approached officially designated "health menace" levels. The attack was so bad that Gov. Goodwin J. Knight informed the County Air Pollution Control district that he had placed the California Disaster committee on an alert standby basis.

Visibility Cut
The blue-black haze cut visibility to only a few blocks. Five persons were treated at City hall for severe eye irritation.

Already reeling from the recent killer heat wave which left a death toll of 115 persons, the area was under a first level smog alert for three hours and nine minutes yesterday in sticky temperatures which climbed to 93 at Civic Center. It was the seventh first level alert in county history.

For a while it appeared that a second level alert would be called for the first time. The second alert is called when air contamination poses "a dangerous health menace."

Alerts Described
The first alert can be called when ozone polluting materials content in the air reaches .50 parts per million parts of air. The second alert is called when the ozone contents hits 1.0 and a third alert, when a strike of emergency can be declared by the governor, is set at 1.5.

The ozone concentration yesterday reached .90 in the industrial center of Vernon and .85 in downtown Los Angeles. The .90 was the highest recorded since the APCD started keeping records on ozone content about 19 months ago.



NEW YORK ARRIVAL—Riding under an assumed name, Actress Rita Hayworth arrives in New York. She is reported to be taking her daughter Yasmin to visit the child's father, Aly Khan. Rita recently left her husband, singer Dick Haymes.

CORN THIEF CAUGHT
Alexandria, La. — (U.P.) — Police investigating a farmer's complaint that someone was stealing his corn from a small field filed this cryptic report: "Apprehended a horse and got him out of the garden; no charges filed."

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County
In the Matter of the Estate of Cora Lee Gilmore, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her Final Account in the above entitled matter, and the above entitled Court has fixed the 13th day of October, 1955, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the Circuit 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.

CORDE BURNS
Executrix
SKYRMAN, OUELLETTE & HEISEL
Attorneys for Executrix

NOTICE
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County
In the Matter of the Estate of Lulu W. Brown, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her Final Account in the above entitled matter, and the above entitled Court has fixed the 13th day of October, 1955, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the Circuit 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.

MARGARET ANN LEEVER
Administratrix
SKYRMAN, OUELLETTE & HEISEL
Attorneys for Administratrix

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT
No. 9535
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account in the Estate of Belle Cynthia Bell, Deceased, and that the 17th day of October, 1955, at 10:00 A.M. of said date, in the Circuit Court, at Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, has been set as the time and place for hearing objections to said final account, and the settlement thereof.
Dated and first published this 14th day of September, 1955.
PAUL DALTON
Executor

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the State Board of Aeronautics at 388 N. Winter St., Salem, Oregon at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, September 22, 1955 for the construction of approximately 9200 linear feet of drain ditch, involving about 13,540 cubic yards of excavation, at the Lake of the Woods Flightstrip in Klamath County, about 34 miles northwesterly of Klamath Falls.
Plans and specifications may be obtained from the State Board of Aeronautics at Salem.
The right is reserved to reject any and all proposals or to accept the proposal deemed best for the State of Oregon.
By: Earl W. Snyder, Director
OREGON STATE BOARD OF AERONAUTICS

Illinois Corn Yield Greatest in Country

Carbondale, Ill. — (U.P.) — Illinois outranks all other states in corn productivity per acre, according to a study of Andreas Grotewold of the University of Chicago.

Grotewold told a recent meeting of the Illinois Academy of Science that Illinois has jumped its per acre corn yields 45 per cent above the national average. He credited four factors for the big increase in the past 20 years: Hybrid seed corn, more abundant and effective use of fertilizers; mechanization of farms, and improvement in crop rotation.

The report said hybrid seed was the most important factor in increasing Illinois corn production and that all of the state's corn acreage has been planted to hybrid seed since 1949. Mechanization also has been important. It helps corn growers in the northern part of the state overcome the disadvantage of a shorter growing season, and farmers in the southern claypan soil areas can cultivate the soil more thoroughly.

A Nichol's Worth of . . . Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Feature Writer

Washington — (U.P.) — A pretty face or a perfect figure won't make a girl a Miss America these days.

This is showing no disrespect to Miss America which are picked at Atlantic City. Including the new Miss A., Sharon Kay Ritchie of Denver — Miss Colorado. She has a lovely face, also a pretty nice figure. But it was talent that got her that crown.

Sharon also had poise, knew how to handle herself down the ramp and how to walk and talk. But most of all with the fussy judges it was the talent which won her the first prize.

The point is that emphasis in the so-called beauty contests is away from the bathing suit and the body, and towards baton twirling and pipe organ playing and singing and dramatic readings.

Can Come From Nowhere
In the old days it was nothing but beauty, but today a kid can come up from nowhere and have the wrong measurements and maybe come out a winner. If she can sing or show other talent.

Margaret Gorman of Washington, D. C., was the first winner. All she had to do was to look pretty which she could do. That was in 1921 when they called it the Neptune Follies.

She didn't have to yodel or ride a horse or play the guitar. All she did was to show herself in a knee length bathing suit. The fact that Margaret, now married to a successful real estate man here, is trying to forget the whole thing is beside the point.

Margaret didn't run out to Hollywood and bust into a producer's office and say "Give me a script to read, I'm ready pal."

Won a Trophy
Neither did she make the kind of money the winners today do, either. She got no scholarship. She was just a 16-year-old kid who won a trophy and a few pennies and came back home.

Dotty Lamour didn't quite make the grade on talent in the long ago, but she was smart enough to buy herself a sarong, and the salesmen just happened to have her size.

But it's a little different these

days. There is TV, which lives on talent, where the body and the voice or fingers on the banjo don't count so much.

A youngster doesn't have to squeeze into a bathing suit anymore. That's only part of the judging. She also has to have the talent and it helps a lot if she is smart.

Court Records

DISTRICT COURT
Leslie Alden Wilson, violation of basic rule, \$25.
John Hubert Hawkins, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Curtis Grant Shouts, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Elmer Lester Rober, inadequate coupling device, \$15.
Donald F. Moss, drunk on public highway, \$15.
Winnie M. Estridge, drunk on public highway, \$15.
Lowell Martin Tarbell, violation of basic rule, \$35.
Damon Ira Leeper, truck speeding, \$10.
Damon Leroy Leeper, no operator's license, \$10.
James Otto Burgess, four in front seat, \$7.50.
William George Lyndon, drunk on public highway, \$30 bail forfeited.
Winton Russell Tipton, drunk on public highway, \$30 bail forfeited.
William Frank Halter, failure to operate on right side of road, \$10.
Clifford L. Vosberg, violation of basic rule, \$55, license suspended for 30 days.

CIRCUIT COURT
L. W. Schlegel vs. Adena Schlegel, divorce decree.
Marlene Jean Faulkner vs. Richard Allen Faulkner, divorce decree.
Joan S. Wright vs. James L. Wright, divorce complaint.
Ralph F. Miller vs. Addie Mae Miller, divorce complaint.
Lorna Ellen Barber vs. Donald Hugh Barber, divorce decree.
Beverly J. Edwards vs. Allan I. Edwards, divorce decree.
Lucille F. Hagaman vs. Raymond F. Hagaman, divorce decree.
Ruth Elaine Curtis vs. Arthur Morton Curtis Jr., divorce complaint.
Viola Joyce Winterlee vs. James M. Winterlee, divorce decree.
Anna L. Learned vs. Clarence Albert Learned, divorce decree.
Margaret Lanell Ragland vs. Harvey Lowell Ragland, divorce decree.
Gladys Ida Margaret Pass vs. Charles Alois Pass, divorce decree.
Gerson Shirley Gattman vs. Louis Conrad Gattman, divorce decree.
Wilma Joan Strahlendorf vs. Werner J. Strahlendorf, divorce decree.
Mary Jane Lamberty vs. John Lamberty, divorce decree.
Marion Martha Crawford vs. Richard W. Crawford, divorce decree.
Mary Fitch Coffin vs. Delbert Arthur Coffin, divorce decree.
Arlene D. Swartz vs. Jason Swartz, divorce decree.
Doris D. Holapple vs. Harris Holapple Jr., divorce decree.
Donna B. Corzine vs. Sylvester D. Corzine, divorce decree.
Donald G. Skinner vs. Charlene Skinner, divorce decree.
Eunice Thelma Colver vs. Eldred R. Colver, divorce decree.
Virgie V. Stover vs. Arthur Stover, divorce decree.

POLICE COURT
Harry Grossmetsch, Gifford Stine Oakes and Raymond Elzada Dugger, violations of basic rule, \$10 each.
Bernard Ray Reeves, no operator's license, \$10.
Robert Kenneth Fink and John David Great, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5 each.
Swift and Co., expired license plates, \$5.
John A. Olson, no operator's license, \$5.

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