



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

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Washington — (U.P.) — Don't get sassy with any man you happen to meet in the street who is wearing a green felt beret cocked over his right eye.

He'll be all man, and if he's in a vile mood he may haul off and clobber you one.

Like as not, Harman Nichols if you look him over you'll find that he sports "jump wings" on his chest and happens to be one of the U. S. Army's most versatile soldiers.

The beret was not of the tough man's choosing, but it is part of his new official get-up.

The soldier with the beret will be a member of one of the 15 new teams which comprise the 7th Special Forces Group—all airborne. If the shooting business comes again, this fellow and his team-mates will have the job of organizing and directing "pro-Democratic" guerrilla bands behind the lines.

Colorado Base.

The home station of the new outfit is at Fort Bragg, N. C., but the vanguard at the moment is located at the Mountain and Cold Weather Training Command at Fort Carson, Colo.

Not every soldier can make the grade. The man in the green beret has to be a sly one, and, actually, you may never bump into him on the street.

This guy is handpicked. He may be a medic, a weapons or demolition expert, a linguist, a radio operator, or all of these rolled into one.

His special training starts when he volunteers for paratroop jump-school, after eight weeks of rough and tumble basic training.

If a man is high up in his class as a paratrooper he can volunteer for the Special Forces. Ahead of the lads who have the courage to raise a hand on this detail are months and months of rugged training. Some make it, some don't. Men here are separated from boys.

Thorough Training

First, there is a half year course in psychological warfare. Study of things like communications, medical aid, tactics, weapons and more airborne training.

Later, the tough boys get schooling in mountain climbing.

ambitious and survival training. All of this isn't easy, fellows, in case you think of joining the Special Corps. The medic team, for example, has to be able to perform amputations in the field and clip out an infected tonsil, or rip out an infected tonsil.

In addition, each fellow has to be an experienced butcher. He must be able to dissect a chicken or break up the shank of a steer. He must learn how to live off the land and shoot or fish for his own living, if necessary.

The line isn't very long, men. It forms on the left, as usual.

Harriman Not Gagged In Talk at Eugene

Eugene — (U.P.) — Dr. O. Meredith Wilson, president of the University of Oregon, and Dr. William C. Jones, dean of administration, today emphasized that no "gag" had been placed on Gov. Averell Harriman of New York when he spoke on the campus recently.

Dr. A. L. Strand, president of Oregon State College, said earlier that Harriman's speech was a "flop" because he avoided politics.

Dr. Wilson lauded Dr. Strand's open invitation to politicians of all stripes to speak on the Corvallis campus and confirmed that the same policy prevails at the University. He said the only restriction placed on political speakers was to ask them to refrain from campaigning for any individual candidates but to "clarify major policy issues."

Dr. Jones said both political parties were asked not to turn school assemblies into political rallies by filling the platform with non-speaking party leaders or by distributing party leaflets.

Nine Slot Machines Seized at Coos Bay

Coos Bay — (U.P.) — Nine slot machines were confiscated by county authorities yesterday in a raid on the Coos Bay Elks club.

Club officials later pleaded guilty to illegal possession of gambling devices, and paid a \$100 fine and \$450 in costs.

The raid, conducted on a private complaint, was staged by Coos county sheriff's deputies, state police, representatives of the district attorney's office and Coos Bay police.

Amended Benefit Rights Computed By State Office

Salem — (U.P.) — Amended benefit rights of more than 52,000 workers who have filed claims for the 1955-56 benefit year have been computed and are being distributed at 26 local employment offices, according to the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

The distribution is in preparation for the change-over Jan. 1 to the new schedule adopted by the 1955 Legislature.

Active claimants already have received their changed determinations, and the remainder will get them by mail next week.

This is but one feature of the amended unemployment law, most of which goes into effect next year and for which an extra appropriation to hire additional personnel has been authorized by the State Emergency Board.

Higher Weekly Checks

A study based on earnings of 20,000 claimants during the summer indicates 60 to 65 per cent will get higher weekly checks, while nearly a third will get smaller amounts. Half of the latter group will be ineligible because of the requirement for \$700 minimum base year earnings or at least 37 times the weekly amount. A small group will receive about the same size check, but the average is expected to increase from \$22 to around \$29 or \$30 a week.

CAMPAIGNS END

Sydney, Australia — (U.P.) — Australia's Liberal and Labor parties today wound up their election campaigns and both parties forecast victory in tomorrow's balloting for a new Parliament.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Jackson Probate Department.

In the Matter of the Estate of E. Raymond Driver, Deceased, No. 9441. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned has filed his Final Account as executor of the above estate with the Circuit Court of said County, and the Court has fixed the 27th day of December, 1955, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. of said day, for the hearing of objections, if any there be, to the said Final Account, and you are hereby notified to file objections, if any you have, to the said Final Account on or before the time fixed for hearing.

Dated and first published this 25th day of November, 1955.
H. H. PRINGLE, Executor.

Eugene Boy Killed When Hit by Bike

Eugene — (U.P.) — John Paul Thompson, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mervill J. Thompson of Eugene, died in a Eugene hospital yesterday of injuries suffered Wednesday night when he was struck by a bicycle.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE TERRITORY CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY OF MEDFORD AS HEREIN AFTER DESCRIBED UPON THE QUESTION OF ANNEXATION THEREOF TO THE CITY OF MEDFORD

Notice hereby is given that the Council of the City of Medford has, by ordinance, called a special election to be held in the following described territory contiguous to the City of Medford, Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the east boundary of the Corporate Limits of the City of Medford and the center line of Keene Drive in the extension of Siskiyou Heights Addition; thence easterly along the center line of said Keene Drive to the center line of Groveland Avenue (formerly Walden Circle); thence northerly along the center line of Groveland Avenue to the center line of Woodlawn Drive (formerly Siskiyou Blvd., North); thence easterly along the center line of said Woodlawn Drive (formerly Siskiyou Blvd., North) to a point of intersection with the center line of Block 6, Extension of Siskiyou Heights Addition to the City of Medford (said point being the intersection of the most easterly line of said Block 6 extended northerly with the center line of said Woodlawn Drive); thence northerly along the most easterly line of said Block 6, Extension Siskiyou Heights Addition and its southerly extension, to the southerly line of said Block 6, thence westerly along the southerly line of said Block 6, Extension Siskiyou Heights Addition, to the southerly line of Oakwood Drive; thence along the existing city limits line as follows: westerly along the southerly line of Oakwood Drive to its intersection with the easterly line of Barnburg Road; thence southerly along the existing Corporate Limits through Block 8, easterly Block Extension to Siskiyou Heights Addition, to the point of beginning, between the hours of 1 o'clock p.m. and 8 o'clock p.m., on the 16th day of January, 1956.

At said election in said contiguous territory there will be submitted to the registered voters therein the question of the altering of the boundaries of the City of Medford by the annexation of said territory to the City of Medford.

The polls will be open for the said election between the hours of 1 o'clock p.m. and 8 o'clock p.m., on said 16th day of January, 1956, and at said election there will be submitted to the registered voters of said territory the question of altering the boundaries of the City of Medford by the annexation of the City of Medford of the above described territory.

The registered voters in said contiguous territory are hereby invited to vote and cast their ballots on such annexation at said election.

The said territory is designated as a single voting precinct for said election and the polling place therein is at 801 Keene Drive.

By direction of the Council of the City of Medford, Oregon.
NEVA SAMUELS, Recorder.

NOTICE OF VACATION OF PART OF MODOC AVENUE AND SISKIYOU BOULEVARD

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the City of Medford did, on the 8th day of December, 1955, by Resolution, initiate proceedings to vacate the part of Modoc Avenue and Siskiyou Boulevard hereinafter described in the City of Medford, Oregon, to-wit:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot No. 3, Block No. 2, VERDE HILLS UNIT NO. 3, in the City of Medford, Jackson County, Oregon; thence S. to 23° 51' 10" W., along the Westerly boundary of Modoc Avenue 10.0 feet to a point of curve for the point of beginning; thence continue along said road boundary 246.3 feet on an arc right (which has a radius of 174.7 feet and a long chord of S. 64° 14' 35" W. 226.41 feet) to the Northerly boundary of Siskiyou Boulevard South; thence S. 75° 22' E., along the easterly extension of said Boulevard boundary 131.61 feet; thence 28.20 feet on an arc left (which has a radius of 20.0 feet and a long chord of N. 64° 14' 35" E. 25.92 feet); thence N. 22° 51' 10" E., 131.61 feet to the point of beginning.

and provide for a public hearing to be held at the hour of 8:00 o'clock p.m., on the 17th day of January, 1956, at the Council chamber in the City Hall said City of Medford for the purpose of considering vacation of said parts of said streets hereinbefore described, and for the further purpose of hearing and considering any objection thereto or remonstrance there against which may be made in writing and filed with the Recorder of said City prior to such hearing.

By order of the Council of the City of Medford.
NEVA SAMUELS, Recorder.

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Tongay Fails in Try To Commit Suicide

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Russell Tongay, Florida prison term escapee who was convicted of manslaughter in the death of his "aquatut" child, Kathy, attempted suicide yesterday in the prison ward of General hospital.

The 38-year-old one-time swimming coach who fled Florida prison officials in Louisiana and currently has started legal maneuvers to fight extradition, slashed his wrists in what hospital authorities described as "an insincere attempt."

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