

# MINING PROFIT ON AL SARENA CLAIM UNLIKELY

Washington — (U.P.) — Congressional investigators were told yesterday that 15 timber-rich Oregon mining claims granted to a private firm "could not be mined at a profit."

The report was given to a joint House-Senate subcommittee by George H. Holderer, a Senate Interior Committee staff expert.

The subcommittee is looking into the Interior Department's award of the claims to the Al Sarena Mines, Inc., of Mobile, Ala. The claims are located in Oregon's Rogue River national forest.

Said "Mining" Timber Democrats have charged that the company is "mining" \$250,000 worth of timber on the land instead of minerals. The subcommittee called Holderer to testify on the mineral worth of the property.

He said that judging from applications for government loans and other assays he has seen, he believed it would cost about \$20 a ton to recover gold and silver from the claims.

"Rarely have I seen a poorer batch of assays," he said. "Obviously there is no prospect of a mining operation on that property."

Subcommittee Counsel Robert W. Redwine commented that the highest group of assays showed gold and silver content of slightly more than \$2 a ton. He contrasted this with Holderer's \$20 a ton estimate.

Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-Mich.) asked whether any law required that a claim had to have any given quantity of minerals be-

fore full title could be granted. Holderer said he knew of none. Hoffman also told Holderer that his opinion would be "worth nothing" if assay samples were not properly made. Democrats have questioned the last group of assays taken before title to the claims was granted.



SAM STEWART  
On Discussion Panels

## Tax Commissioner To Speak at Study Group Session Here

Sam Stewart, Oregon state tax commissioner, will speak at the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce legislative committee meeting at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow in the Jackson hotel.

The committee is studying tax problems and discussing recent increases of tax valuation in Jackson county. Frank Van Dyke is chairman of the committee.

Tax study meetings usually are held Friday morning, but because Stewart will attend the Southern Oregon-Northern California Chambers of Commerce workshop here Saturday, the tax study group decided to hold the meeting Saturday.

In Panel Discussion Stewart is on a panel which will discuss "Chamber of Commerce activity in the field of taxation" at the all-day workshop in the Jackson hotel. Van Dyke and B. K. Herndon of Grants Pass also are on the panel, discussion on which starts at 3:10 p.m.

Stewart was born in Portland, and is a graduate of Lewis and Clark college. He is a veteran of World War II and served in the Pacific theater for 30 months. He was admitted to the Oregon bar following his graduation from Willamette university college of law in 1949.

He has served as assistant to the attorney general assigned to the state tax commission and was appointed as tax commissioner in October, 1952, by Gov. Douglas McKay to fill the unexpired term of Robert D. Maclean. Stewart is now in charge of the valuation division, which supervises local property assessments and taxation, and passes public utility property.

## Hedberg Named To Head Water Group

C. E. Hedberg, branch manager and vice-president of the First National bank, has been named chairman of a new permanent committee on water resources for the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, it was announced last night.

The appointment was made by Chamber President Otto Ewaldsen, and announced last night at the annual dinner meeting of the chamber, held at the Jackson hotel. Hedberg's committee will conduct a continuing study of water resources, including flood control, water usage, demand and other aspects.

More than 100 chamber members and their wives attended the meeting, which featured a humorous talk by W. A. Dahlberg, of the speech department of the University of Oregon, who was introduced as a "visiting Swedish industrialist."

Outgoing Chamber President John Pletsch introduced board members and committee chairmen who had served during his term of office, and praised them for their work. New chamber officials were introduced by Ewaldsen.

## Group To Survey for Flood Damage Report

Members of the Rogue Flood Control committee will conduct an immediate survey of flood damage between Gold Ray dam and Shady Cove, Harold L. Gebhard, committee chairman, announced today.

The estimated amounts of the damage combined with estimates from the Grants Pass area will be presented to Army engineers and government officials in an effort to obtain emergency river bank erosion control work.

Emergency channel work on the river would cut down future flood damage, Ebbard said. The channel threatens to change in several places, and if it does, it will destroy several ranches, he said.

Seven members of the committee met last night in the Rogue Soil Conservation office, 33 North Riverside ave.

## Frightened Citizens Arm Selves After Killer of Six Persons Escapes Jail

Princeton, Ind. — (U.P.) — State police armed with sawed-off shotguns and tommyguns today guarded officials and witnesses who helped convict Leslie Irvin, the "Chinese execution" killer who slipped out of an "escape proof" jail Thursday.

Victims Number Six Irvin had killed six persons before he was trapped, tried and condemned to death. Police said he probably is armed and won't hesitate to kill again since his own life is worthless.

Authorities in Indiana, and Kentucky—scenes of his crimes—also were warned to be on their guard against Irvin, who became known as the "Chinese

execution" killer because he made his victims kneel before sending a bullet through the back of their heads.

The escape of Irvin terrified citizens of Evansville, home of two schoolboy members of the Junior Sheriff's patrol who had linked Irvin's car to the murder of three Kentuckians and led to his capture.

Citizens Buy Weapons Frightened Evansville citizens bought practically every available gun in town. Store owners had to set up waiting lists, and there were angry complaints at a state law requiring fingerprints and a one day waiting period for gun purchases.

## Eisenhower Slates Appearance To Help GOP Fund Raising

Chief Executive To Be Main Speaker

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower makes his first major public appearance since his heart attack tonight to help the Republican Party raise millions of dollars for the 1956 campaign.

The Chief Executive will be principal speaker at one of hundreds of "Salute to Eisenhower" dinner rallies being staged by the GOP National Finance Committee from coast to coast. The occasion is the third anniversary of Mr. Eisenhower's inauguration.

Mr. Eisenhower will not attend the eating part of the Washington dinner. But he will motor to the Sheraton Park Hotel in time to address fellow Republicans across the country by closed circuit television and over the radio networks on a 30-minute program beginning at 10 p.m. (EST).

Fall Campaign Effort The President probably will devote most of his eight or 10-minute speech at the end of the program to encouraging a highly active effort by Republicans in the fall campaigns and to thanking the rank-and-file GOP members for their support during the past three years.

Mr. Eisenhower was not expected to disclose his own 1956 political intentions. If he discusses his personal future at all, he probably will not go beyond the highly general terms he has employed in news conferences.

The series of "Salute" dinners promised to be one of the most successful one-shot money raising efforts in political history. Party leaders estimated that the dinners, \$100 a plate in the major cities, would raise in the neighborhood of \$5,000,000, half of which will go to the national committee and the rest to state and local GOP organizations.

Special Radio Circuits The closed circuit TV portion of the program will be carried to 49 dinners in major cities; four metropolitan dinners will hear the president over special radio circuits. "Hundreds" of smaller dinners also were planned.

The biggest dinner will be in New York's Madison Square Garden where 16,000 Eisenhower adherents will eat box suppers of cold lobster and cheese cake, watch an ice show and listen to six choral groups of 1,000 voices.

The Chicago crowd was expected to top 4,500 persons at the International Amphitheater. The Washington party was set for the largest ballroom in town and probably will draw more than 2,000 persons.

## Radar Being Used by Police on Highways

Traffic citations through the use of radar are being issued in this district by state police, according to Capt. Paul Parson, police detachment commander.

Radar equipment, installed in a regular patrol car, measures the speed of passing vehicles and registers the miles-per-hour on an instrument in the patrol car.

The radar-car radioes to a second patrolman the speed of passing motorists. Numerous citations have been made in recent days through its use, Captain Parson said.

The newly-equipped sedan in the Roseburg area at present, but will be back in the Medford area soon.

Although it is not necessary to post a notice of radar in operation on local roads, the law requires that it be posted on all highways entering the state.

## Man Bolts Tavern

A nervous man believed to be Irvin was seen in a Watska, Ill., bar late Thursday night. He bolted out the back door when a police car happened to pull up outside.

Television station WCIA in Champaign, Ill., flashed a United Press facsimile picture of Irvin on its screen and Watska bartender Joe Thornburg and his customers reported "that's the same man who was in here."

DOW-JONES AVERAGES New York — (U.P.) — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 464.33 off 4.16; 20 railroads 154.49 off 1.04; 15 utilities 63.07 off 0.15, and 65 stocks 614.88 off 1.18. Sales today were about 2,430,000 shares compared with 2,500,000 shares yesterday.

## Europe 'Shoot on Sight' Order Issued in Bombay Rioting

Police Officers Seek To Break Up Looting

Bombay, India — (U.P.) — City authorities issued a "shoot on sight" order to Bombay police today when a four-day orgy of rioting began degenerating into general hooliganism and looting.

Police opened fire at two places, killing one person and injuring two others as the officers broke up looting of a store and halted hoodlums who were hurling rocks at suburban trains.

The anti-government rioting over restricting of Indian states already had spread to eastern India where mobs paralyzed rail traffic and burned homes and shops of Hindu-speaking persons.

The Communists, Socialists and Hindu Communal parties called a general strike in Calcutta and the rest of East Bengal Saturday in protest against Premier Jawaharlal Nehru's decision to restrict the Indian states.

Some parts of Bombay began returning to normalcy today and the area of disturbance was confined largely to the four centers which have been trouble spots for four days.

Suburb Panicked One Bombay suburb was panicked today by rumors of an impending attack by an organized mob of 2,000 said to be hiding in the hills ready to try to capture the suburb. The rumors were proved baseless and volunteers went around in cars trying to restore confidence.

But more than 31 shops were looted in the city today and another mob tried to burn down the Mazagaon police court. They were dispersed by a strong police force.

Bombay police reported earlier this morning that the mob fury which has taken at least 36 lives and injured 500 other persons had spent itself after one last frenzied rampage Thursday night marked by pitched battles with police.

## Washington Youth Apprehended in Area

A 14-year-old youth who told police he was from Spokane, Wash., was apprehended about 5 p.m. yesterday at the forest service scales north of Prospect after officers searched through the woods for him about five hours.

Police said state highway department crews notified them that a car had rolled over on the highway near Union Creek about noon. When an officer approached the vehicle, the youth ran into the woods.

Police said they tracked the boy through the woods during the afternoon. Residents of the Prospect area later notified police as to his location.

The youth apparently stole the car, police said, and checks are being made with Washington authorities to determine where it was stolen. Police said the boy told them he stole the car from several Washington cities.

He is being held in the county jail.

## More Rain Forecast For Western Oregon

Portland — (U.P.) — Rain. It won't come as much of a surprise to anyone, but that's what the weather bureau says Oregon can expect for the next five days.

And if that wasn't enough, forecasters said the low pressure center moving inland was expected to bring southerly winds up to 50 miles an hour to western Oregon this afternoon.

The weather bureau said western Oregon could expect to get from one to two inches of rain during the five-day period with temperatures averaging above normal for this time of year.

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## Harriman Attacks US Foreign Policy

Dulles 'Reckless, Militaristic,' NY Governor Charges

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Gov. Averell Harriman of New York said today that U.S. foreign policy under Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has become "reckless and militaristic."

Harriman, potential Democratic presidential candidate, told a Town Hall meeting at the Billmore hotel that "American prestige and leadership in the world have declined drastically in the last three years."

"The causes of this decline are many, but much of it can be traced to the replacement of substance in foreign policy with high sounding claims made for purposes of domestic politics," he said.

"We have appeared militaristic and reckless and Mr. Dulles doesn't help when he boasts in popular magazines about how he and the President led the world three times to the brink of war."

Disaster at Geneva Harriman said the nation is still feeling the "disastrous consequences" of the summit meeting at Geneva.

In the second major address of his West Coast trip, Harriman pointed to what he called a weakening of the NATO alliance deterioration of the Middle East situation and the "loss of confidence we once enjoyed among the newly free peoples of Southeast Asia."

He said the Eisenhower administration also has failed the American people in the fields of education, agriculture, protection of free enterprise, development of natural resources and the war against poverty.

"The whole program's too little, and too late," he said.

Economic Controls He said the Eisenhower administration was "against a soil bank" proposal in July and September when it was advocated by the Democratic party.

"Last week the President proposed a soil bank plan," he said, adding that the GOP "may have changed its mind because an election is coming up."

Harriman said he was "disturbed" that mammoth corporations are getting a greater and greater power of life or death over thousands of smaller businesses.

"If economic concentration goes too far, the public will demand more governmental control . . . and the ultimate of that is one or another form of corporate state," he said.

Weather FORECAST: Mostly cloudy with a few showers tonight. Rain Saturday morning becoming showery Saturday afternoon and night. Continued mild. Low tonight 40. High Saturday 50-52. Temp. Highest Yesterday 48. Lowest this Morning 40. Prec. to 10 a.m. Today 19.

## Senate Republicans Reject Part of New Farm Program

Washington — (U.P.) — Senate Republicans rejected part of the administration's new farm program today.

They scrapped an administration proposal to sell government-owned surplus crops at market prices to help finance a soil bank program.

Sen. George D. Aiken (R-Vt.), ranking GOP member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, said such sales "would nullify the purpose of the whole" program which is designed to bolster sagging farm income.

Aiken, chief sponsor of the administration legislation, said he did not know his bill contained such a provision and "it's got to be radically revised or eliminated."

## Safety Awards To Be Presented Tonight

Awards to individuals and industrial concerns with outstanding safety achievements during 1955 will be presented by the Medford Safety Council at a dinner meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. today at the Jackson hotel.

Mark Hatfield, state senator and dean of students at Willamette university, will be speaker. New officers for 1956 will be installed.

## Woman Fined on Driving Charge

Mrs. Betty Jean C. Mathey, 176 Winema way, was fined \$255 yesterday in district court after she pleaded guilty to charges of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. She also received a 90-day suspension of her driver's license.

## Bullion Stolen As Driver Sips Coffee in Cafe

Switzerland Police Set Up Border Guards

Geneva, Switzerland — (U.P.) — Police sent out a five-nation alert today for a casual set of thieves who made off with a pickup truck containing \$280,000 in gold bullion while its lone driver sipped coffee in a restaurant.

Theft of the 250 kilograms (550 pounds) of gold from the unguarded truck was believed to have been the largest such haul in European history. The robbery occurred in broad daylight on a busy street.

Dragnet Spread Swiss police officials notified Interpol, the international police organization, and police of Italy, France, Germany and Austria set up screens along their borders with Switzerland to try and intercept the quarter-ton of bullion.

"An international dragnet has been spread in an effort to catch the men who committed the crime," a Swiss police spokesman said. "We have alerted all border points."

The truck, a simple pickup truck without armor, was recovered in a Geneva suburb shortly after the robbery. It was empty.

The driver had been sent to the airport to pick up 10 heavy boxes which had been shipped by Air France from Paris yesterday to Geneva transport firm of H. Ritschard. Ritschard was to deliver some of the gold to a local client, presumably a bank, and ship the rest elsewhere in Switzerland.

Driver Unconcerned Geneva Chief of Police Charles Knecht said the driver knew that he was carrying a gold cargo, but had handled so many shipments "10 times as large" that he had no reason to behave differently.

The thieves struck during the height of the rush hour later Thursday but no one noticed them and they apparently left no clues. They simply got in the truck and drove away. The driver notified police of the theft and they soon learned of the valuable cargo aboard.

Truth Withheld, Democrats Charge Washington — (U.P.) — Senate Democrats accused the administration today of failing to tell the American people the truth about the seriousness of the world situation.

They also asserted that the Eisenhower administration has not produced a single major new approach to foreign policy in the three years it has been in power.

Chief target of their attack was Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

Sen. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) said the administration has "failed to make a single important contribution to the foreign policy created by the Democrats," that it has played "a political game" with foreign affairs, that it has misrepresented the facts about the world situation.

Salem — (U.P.) — Ernest E. Schrenk of Creswell has filed his candidacy here for reelection as state representative from Lane county on the Republican ticket.

## Preliminary Budget Meeting Scheduled

A preliminary meeting to discuss the county budget for the coming fiscal year will be held in the Jackson county court office tomorrow morning. Department heads, elected officials, and the board of equalization are expected to attend.

The preliminary discussion is the first of its kind held in the county pending preparation of the county budget, according to members of the court.

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