

Deadline May 19 for Petition Filing with Equalization Board

Property taxpayers in Jackson county have until May 19 to file petitions with the board of equalization for the correction of property assessments, Mrs. Elva Jennings, county assessor, announced today.

Taxpayers who feel that their property is assessed too high should obtain petitions from the county clerk, she said. The petitions must also be filed with the clerk.

Changes that have occurred to alter value of the property since the last assessment was made should be reported. They include changes caused by fire, flood, removal of buildings, clearing of land, remodeling or new buildings, she explained.

Convene May 14

The county board of equalization will convene Monday, May, 14, to make the annual review of assessments in the county. Oregon law provides that a property owner may appear in person or may be represented by his attorney before the board of equalization when it considers petitions for reductions of assessments, she said.

This year, for the first time, county assessors are required to post the ratio used in assessing property. Taxpayers, by converting assessor's value to true cash value using the posted ratio, can test the assessment on property he owns. True cash value, according to Oregon law, is set at 80 per cent of the market value for real property, but for personal property such as merchandise and farm implement, true cash value is 100 per cent of market value.

To test the value placed on the property by the assessor, the taxpayer would have to make two calculations, first, to find the true cash value, and second, to find the market value.

The first computation is to

divide the assessed value as shown on the tax roll by the posted ratio. This will indicate the true cash value of the property, she explained. Second, he must divide the true cash value by 80 per cent to obtain the market value. Then, with the market value calculated, he can readily make the comparison between his idea of the valuation of the property and the assessor's market value.

For example, Mrs. Jennings said, if the assessed value of a home is shown on the tax statement or the assessment roll as \$2,000, and the posted ratio is 25 per cent, then, dividing \$2,000 by a .25 a true cash value of \$8,000 is found. This true cash value figure is then divided by 80 per cent to determine the market value of the property which, in this case, would be \$10,000.

Simple Comparison

This use of the posted ratio will enable property owners to make a simple comparison of their assessments. If, on making these calculations, they find they are assessed too high, they have a case for appeal to the board of equalization for adjustment, she pointed out.

Any taxpayer planning to appeal to the board of equalization should first review his assessment with the county assessor. If the assessor makes no adjustment, the taxpayer has the privilege of placing his case, prior to May 19, before the county board for further consideration. If the board of equalization does not give the requested relief, the taxpayer can then continue his appeal at a later date to the State Tax Commission, thence into the courts. County boards are not required to consider appeals that are filed after the May 19 deadline, Mrs. Jennings concluded.

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

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Feature Writer

Washington — (U.P.) — Picture a movie star popping his own corn and running to the flicker-house to eat it.



Harman Nichols

That's what a handsome, athletic Paul Newman loves to do. We popped up a couple of sacksful and then went to see his latest picture — MGM's "The Rack."

It has a lot to do with prisoners of war. Paul is cast in the role of the traitor. He sweats through the tortures of the damned and, of course, winds up a hero.

Young Paul is indeed a remarkable character. In the short span of 12 months, he has scaled the heights in the movies, on Broadway and in television. But he's still as American as apple butter.

He answered the knock on the door of his hotel suite with a country style "Howdy" and said sit down. We sat. After the corn was buttered and salted, we saw the picture.

Later we got talking about another film he's making—a picture concerning the life of Rocky Graziano.

"It was a little rough," said the brown-haired six-footer. I never did much boxing, although I had wrestled a little."

Obstacle Course
The directors of the picture, which could, and may be titled "Rockaby Baby," put the young man through an obstacle course.

"They had me in sweat clothes, running mile after mile. They had a couple of professional middleweight box-fighters giving me lessons in the manly art," he said. "They gave me the works."

In the training before the camera shooting, Paul and his "spar mates" used 10 ounce gloves. While they were making one of the first takes simulative of the second bout between Rocky Graziano and Tony Zale, back there a few years in Chicago, Paul forgot himself.

"I had been taught how to jerk my shoulder to give the effect that I had landed a solid blow," Paul said. "I got a little careless and cut loose. I accidentally damaged the guy who was playing Tony Zale. I hated myself for it."

Paul didn't come out of it

without some injury, however. They switched from the "pillows" to the six-ounce gloves and the hero of the piece damaged a tendon in his good right hand.

Newman decided to make acting his career while a student at Kenyon college, in Ohio. He switched to the Yale school of drama and put on some more polish at the famed New York Actor's studio. This place numbers among its distinguished graduates the likes of Marlon Brando and the late James Dean. Marilyn Monroe is one of the studio's newest recruits.

"I don't ever hope to eclipse these fine performers," the modest Newman says. "I still consider myself a student. When I am in New York I attend classes twice a week."

Admitted Arsonist Faces New Arrest

Salem — (U.P.) — Richard Ray Kidd, who admitted setting costly fires in Portland in 1954, was to be released from the state mental hospital today but faced arrest when he stepped outside.

Kenneth Brown, Marion county district attorney, said Kidd would be met by state police and served with warrants charging unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, stemming from his escape from the hospital two months ago. Bail has been set at \$3000.

Kidd was ordered admitted to the state hospital by the late Judge Lowell Mundorff. Indictments in connection with the Portland fires were dismissed.

Dr. Dean K. Brooks, superintendent of the state hospital, said the hospital disposition board had reviewed Kidd's case and that he had been judged ready for release.

In March Kidd sawed his way out of his cell, dropped to the ground and fled by car to Seneca where he was recognized.

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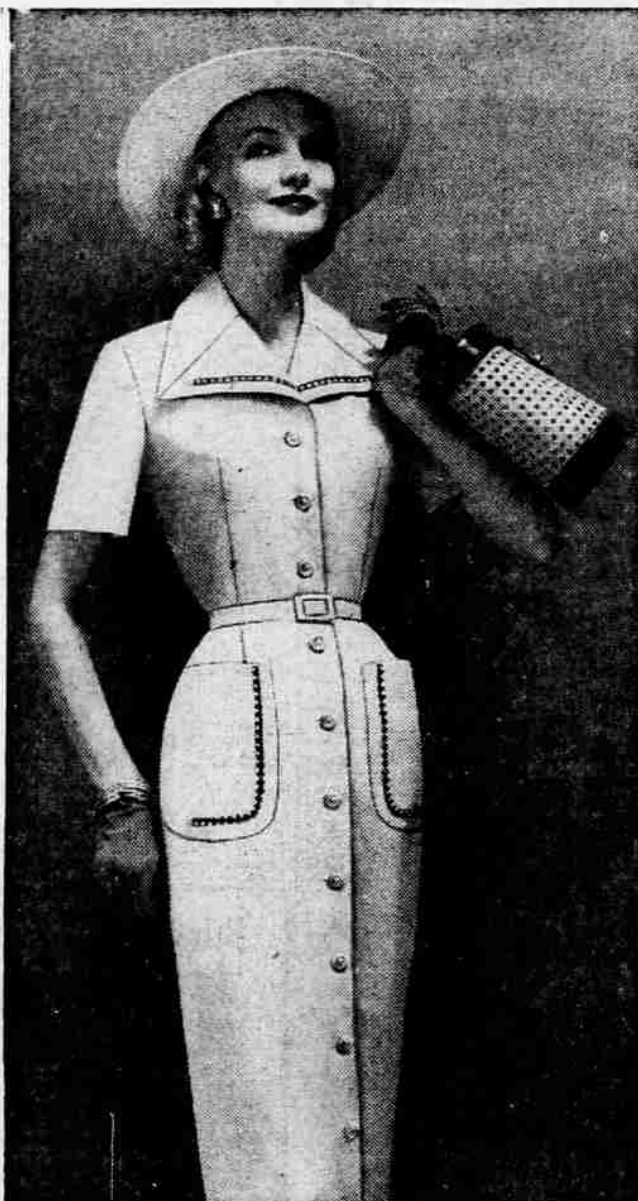
Havana — (U.P.) — Fire caused more than \$2,000,000 damage to the Washington sugar mill in Las Villas Province Thursday. Stocks of sugar from the last crop were destroyed.

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Style
Pictured

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