

### Portland Girl Talks To King of Thailand

Bangkok—AP—An 11-year-old girl talked to the King and Queen of Thailand for 15 minutes yesterday to thank them for sending a young elephant as a gift to the zoo in her home town of Portland, Ore.

Brookie Gordon was accompanied to the audience with King Phumiphon Aduldej and Queen Sirikit by her mother, Mrs. Margaret Gordon and Mrs. Gladys Bowen.

The Bradon-born girl gave toys from Portland children to the royal couple's son and two daughters and in return received a pair of tiny Thai headresses.

### Marion Jury Begins Lewd Magazine Study

Salem—UPI—The Marion county grand jury yesterday began a hearing on a complaint that lewd and obscene magazines were being sold in Salem.

Testimony was given by four witnesses Thursday. Mrs. John Pfeifer, a Silverton housewife who is spearheading the prosecution during the day.

Mrs. Pfeifer said about 15 magazines would be called to testify. A complaint for officials indicated they hoped to wind up the grand jury investigation today.

Costa Rica passed a social security law in 1943.

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### New Names Hinted In Embezzlement Case of Auditor

Springfield, Ill.—UPI—Another court appearance was scheduled for former auditor Orville E. Hodge today in the \$1,000,000 phony check scandal in which more "new names" may be popping up.

Hodge was to post an expected \$75,000 bond at Chicago on federal indictments charging misapplication of \$875,677 in federally-insured bank funds.

The former auditor entered a plea of innocent Thursday here at his arraignment on 46 indictments charging him with forgery, confidence game and embezzlement to get \$637,000 of the state's money.

Meanwhile, Sangamon county state's attorney George P. Courrakon said he believed Hodge was "covering up" for someone else in the scandal. He predicted "new names" will be popping in the case before long.

**Glumly Nodded**

Hodge's attorney did all the talking at his arraignment. Hodge got to his feet when attorney Arthur M. Fitzgerald said "will you stand up, Orville?" and glumly nodded his head in approval of the innocent plea.

Bond of \$100,000 was posted by a friend and a professional bondman to keep Hodge free until his trial.

Fitzgerald insisted on the innocent plea for time to study the indictments. He also was granted 30 days in which to withdraw the plea or enter motions to quash the indictments.

Hodge's trial would not begin until his plea was either withdrawn or made final.

Meanwhile, one of Hodge's key employees broke down in a state of shock amid reports that 10 strange men may have stolen a safety deposit box key from the ex-auditor's Granite City, Ill. real estate agency, State of Shock.

William Mehl, a voucher clerk in the auditor's office, was sent to Granite City to search for the key to a safety deposit box in the Springfield Marine Bank. Mehl's wife later telephoned authorities that her husband was unable to find the key and was ordered to his bed by his doctor in a state of shock. She also revealed the key might have been kept in Hodge's office which recently had been broken into.

Earle J. Miller, manager of the Hodge agency, confirmed that a week ago 10 men entered the office, using a key of their own, and ransacked the place. Miller said he did not report the incident to police because he was not sure the key or anything else had been taken.

### Stassen Can't Be Written Off as Political Bumbler on Nixon Move

By LYLE C. WILSON  
United Press Correspondent  
Washington—UPI—Before writing off Harold E. Stassen as a political bumbler, a couple of things should be considered which suggest that he's not so dumb, after all.



Harold E. Stassen

First, he's in the news again. Stassen was lost in the obscurity of an almost hopeless job until he proposed this week to bump Vice President Nixon off the 1956 Republican ticket. His job was disarmament adviser to President Eisenhower.

Second, Stassen has made himself the rallying point for anti-Nixon sentiment within the Republican party. There hasn't been much rallying, so far, but there may be.

**Long Range Plan**

It is not likely that Stassen and his associates can stop Nixon this year. The movement Stassen has begun, however, could develop into something substantial.

Stassen's first objective was to stop Nixon this year. The long haul objective more likely than not is to put pressure on selection of the 1960 party ticket.

Stassen had nothing to lose but his cabinet-level job and that seems safe enough for the time being. He desperately needed some political publicity and he got it. He has not folded under a beating in newspaper and radio accounts of his political maneuver nor has he backed down from his public demand that President Eisenhower make an unqualified request for Nixon's renomination if he really wants him.

No one ever suggested that

Stassen lacked political courage nor that he always plays the game according to the rules. Still After Presidency.

At age 31 Stassen was the boy wonder governor of Minnesota. He won two more terms and was seeking the Republican presidential nomination in 1944, aged 37. Presidential fever is rarely fatal but always incurable. Stassen's fever remains high.

He's 49 now and would be available on the basis of age in 1960. The likelihood of his nomination then or any time is remote. It is a fact, however, that Stassen's political importance depends almost entirely on his ability to keep the customers talking about him—and the political talk this week has been mostly about Stassen.

Four years ago Stassen still

### Venn Tells His Side Of Lane Controversy

Eugene—UPI—Lane County District Attorney Eugene C. Venn last night told more than 300 Eugene residents his side of the grand jury selection controversy.

But Circuit Judge Frank B. Reid, who has clashed with Venn over methods used to select grand jurors, did not appear to claim the chair reserved for him on the platform of the public meeting. The affair was sponsored by a citizens' committee formed to bring the controversy before the public.

Venn said he would not rest until the public had all the facts. Judge Reid declined an invitation to appear, saying it would violate judicial propriety for him to do so.

Meanwhile, Judge Carl Wimberly of Roseburg instructed the Lane county grand jury not to reconsider any matters previously taken up by them under the direction of Attorney General Robert M. Thornton. The jury's investigation of the jury selection dispute, as well as an embezzlement case, had been directed by Thornton.

### Campfire Girls

**Pack Trip**

Christy Allingham, Linda Medcalf and Ann Younger of the Ayuzunia Camp Fire group recently made a pack trip into Blue Canyon. They camped at Horse-shoe lake. Besides regular camping activities, the girls had the experience of "sitting out" two thunder storms and were glad they had added pup tents to their equipment, even though it made their packs much heavier. The girls were accompanied on the trip by their guardian and one of their outdoor sponsors.

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### In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Today's jitter news: Jordan and Israeli troops are reported firing at each other across the demarcation line west of Jerusalem. A Jordan military spokesman says the situation is tense. Minor casualties are unofficially reported on both sides.

**LET'S put it this way:** Suppose, in this dry, hot weather, you saw a group of children PLAYING WITH MATCHES in a dry-grass clearing in one of our Southern Oregon or Northern California forests.

What would you do? Why, you'd take the matches away from them and you MIGHT turn them one after another over your knee and give them a good sound paddling to impress upon them the fact that playing with matches in a dry forest is HORRIBLY dangerous.

It's too bad we don't live in the kind of world in which adult intelligent nations could handle reckless and immature nations in this same wise and effective way.

**IN** Nogales, Arizona, last night, a would-be robber entered a bakery and ordered the girl clerk behind the counter to hand over her money. Then he reached toward the cash register. The girl slapped him and screamed, and a cop rushed in and collared the robber.

**Moral:** Never underestimate the power of a woman.

**DEMOCRATIC Presidential** Candidate Adlai Stevenson said the other day he feels there are several Democratic party leaders who are conspicuously qualified for the vice presidency. That spread into a report that he had told party leaders he believes the two LIKELIEST Democratic vice presidential candidates are Senator John Kennedy of Massachusetts and Senator Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota.

Asked by newsmen to comment on the report, Stevenson replied: "It's all news to me. I never said that to ANYONE—nor do I believe it."

**HERE'S** a tip to readers of the political news: Don't believe ANYTHING MUCH that you read or hear in election years. When political campaign years come through the door, common sense flies out of the window.

**Modern traffic note:** A head-on collision of two automobiles near Escondido in Southern California last night killed three women and a man and injured four other persons.

California highway patrolmen said one of the two automobiles was seen to be WEAVING BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN LANES on the highway just before the collision.

There aren't many dangers in modern traffic that better driving couldn't eliminate.

### Grange Notes

**Shady Cove**

The Shady Cove Grange members met for a potluck dinner and a short business meeting Wednesday evening, July 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Lewen from the Phoenix Grange were visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ducker and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Strothers were admitted as new members by ballot.

The members were sorry to

hear that Mrs. Craven of Trail had suffered another heart attack.

Mrs. Walter Cross was reported ill and Mrs. Edger Vanderlip's condition is much improved.

Mrs. Maud Wilson is recovering nicely from her recent operation.

As this was a social meeting there was no committee reports. The Grange will hold its next regular business meeting on Aug. 8 at 8 p.m. in the Shady Cove school band room.

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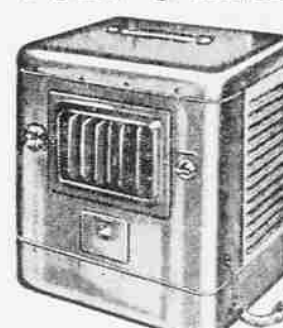
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Calcium Lactate	10 Grain	.59	2.79	3.11
Milk Magnesia Tablets		.29	1.39	1.51
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