



SWAMPED BY TICKET REQUESTS, Paul Butler (center), Democratic National Committee chairman and aides hold files full of requests for seats that cannot be filled. Others are Jack Christie (left) and J. L. Reinsch, convention manager. (International)

Young Mother Advises American Girls: Never Take a Moslem for Your Husband

New York—(U.P.)—A 27-year-old California mother who fled with her baby from her Moslem husband in Iraq arrived in New York today with some advice for American girls.

"Never marry a Moslem," said Mrs. Helen Subbagh, Palo Alto, who arrived by plane with her 22-month-old son, Paul. She was forced to leave Iraq with no belongings other than the clothes on her back.

"Women in Iraq get no respect whatever," the tired-looking young mother said. "My husband Abdul tried to make me live like an Arab woman. When he got angry I would get slugged, shoved, spit at and cursed at."

Consul Was Attacked

Mrs. Subbagh told of how she could no longer take the treatment that to her appeared standard in Baghdad and of how she escaped after a four-day running legal and physical battle in which the American consul in Baghdad was attacked by an Arab mob because he tried to protect her.

Mrs. Subbagh was finally able to get her husband to surrender their son to her, as a court had

ordered. Then she flew to Rome, where she arrived penniless. Consular officials there gave her clothes for herself and the baby and arranged her transportation home.

She said today that her romance, begun in Seattle, where her husband was a student, turned into a nightmare after he took her home to Baghdad.

"I was expected to walk in my bare feet, to sit on the floor, to eat with my bare hands, and cook on the floor," Mrs. Subbagh said. "In Iraq, the men marry for one reason only—to have a slave."

Legality of Marriage

Mrs. Subbagh said she was unsure now whether her marriage is valid. Her husband said

at the time they were married in a Methodist church that he was a Christian, but she found on her arrival in Iraq he was still a Moslem.

"I don't think the church would have performed the ceremony had they known he was really a Moslem," she said. "I'm not sure the marriage was legal."

Mrs. Subbagh, who left this morning by plane for Palo Alto, said that in the 10 months she spent in Iraq she lost 25 pounds.

She said she hopes to get a job as a bookkeeper, which she was before her marriage. Mrs. Subbagh will live with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Johnson, until she can find an apartment.

Zoo Chimp Bites Hand That Feeds It

Atlanta—(U.P.)—A 200-pound chimpanzee bit off the thumb of 7-year-old Freddie Porter who was feeding the beast popcorn at the Grant Park Zoo Wednesday.

Zoo officials said the boy climbed a low fence designed to keep spectators at a safe distance in order to give the popcorn to the zoo's temperamental chimp, Marie, who has repeatedly tried to attack visitors. The boy was treated at a hospital.

Rockslide Causes Wreck Near Madras

Madras—(U.P.)—Seven cars of a Spokane, Portland and Seattle freight train, bound from Bend to Wishram, Wash., were swept from the Oregon trunk railroad by a rockslide about 6 p.m. yesterday. Three transients were riding one of the cars swept off the tracks but it was believed they were not injured.

Service on the line was restored at 9 a.m. today at the slide scene 35 miles north of here in the Deschutes river canyon, three miles south of South Junction.

Rock sliding down a steep cliff on the upper side of the track hit the train about 15 cars behind the engine. Five cars were swept 200 to 300 feet down a steep grade and two others were left on the right of way with one twisted across the track and the other lying at the brink of the canyon.

All seven cars were loaded. One contained new autos; the others carried coal, canned goods and glassware.

SAFETY FIRST

Mystic, Conn.—(U.P.)—Firemen had an easy time dousing a blaze at the home of Albert Potter. He apparently had dropped a lighted cigarette into a pile of clothes—in his bathtub.

State Department Stands By Ban on Newsmen to Red China

Washington—(U.P.)—The State Department today stood by its ban against newsmen traveling to Red China despite a flurry of protests from newspaper and news agency executives.

Spokesmen for the department refused to discuss the matter today except to say there has been no change in the ban.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and his aides were studying the requests for reversal of the State Department stand. But officials said privately that Dulles is unlikely to change his decision. They said he realized when the decision was made that news agencies and newspapers would not like it, but Dulles nevertheless felt he had made the right decision and would stick by it.

Newsmen Invited

The question came up earlier this week when Communist China invited 15 American newsmen to visit the country for a month beginning at the end of August.

The State Department said in a formal statement it could not allow any Americans, including reporters, to go to the Chinese mainland as long as the Communists hold U.S. citizens "as political hostages."

The department warned that anyone violating the ban would be subject to up to two years imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine or both.

Other Protests

Other protests came from Arthur Hayes Sulzberger, president and publisher of the New York Times; Frank J. Storz, general manager of the Associated Press; Edwin Canham, editor of the Christian Science Monitor; Herbert Brucker, editor of the Hartford, Conn., Courant and chairman of the Free-

British Hang Three Killers in Cyprus

Nicosia, Cyprus—(U.P.)—British authorities hanged three terror-killers in the prison here before dawn today, and Greek speaking natives retaliated by calling a "general strike."

Greek shops were the activities principally affected by the protest strike. Food shops remained open, as required by laws, but most other stores in the native quarters of Cyprus shut their doors.

AD FOR HUSBAND

Houston, Tex.—(U.P.)—Vida Hutto still thinks it pays to advertise. A pretty stenographer, 22, advertised for a husband and got fired for her trouble. But she said today she isn't at all discouraged. "It's all part of the battle," she said. "Besides, my telephone rang all last night with prospects wanting to know more details." Her demands: "He has to be fairly handsome, a Protestant, dependable, like to fish and earn at least \$400 a month." The telephone number: Hillcrest 2-3788.

Law Banning Indecent Literature Challenged

Salem—(U.P.)—Constitutionality of an Oregon law banning indecent literature has been attacked in Marion county Circuit Court by a Salem magazine distributor.

Claude Cummings, recently indicted by a county grand jury for selling indecent literature, said the law fails to set up criteria for judging literature sold in the state.

In a demurrer to his indictment yesterday, Cummings alleged the facts of his distributing magazines and paperback books did not constitute a crime.

Cummings and another distributor were indicted following a recent four-day grand jury investigation. Judge George Duncan said a date for oral arguments would be set Aug. 20.

Normal, Ill.—(U.P.)—A prankster has been inviting persons to appear at speech classes of Illinois State Normal University as guest lecturers for non-existent classes.

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Vets Insurance To Be Reinstated Soon

World War II and post Korea veterans who lost their five-year term GI insurance since July 23, 1953, because they failed to pay either or both of the last two monthly premiums will be given opportunity to reinstate the policies under a new law, according to S. T. Brannock, officer in charge of the VA office in Medford.

Brannock said VA is checking records for the cases and will send each former policy holder a reinstatement application. He asked veterans not to write or make inquiries for about a month to avoid delay in the checking process.

The law which permits veterans to reinstate the term policies is the Survivor Benefits act signed by the President Aug. 1. The GI insurance affected by the law consists of the five-year term policies of National Service Life Insurance, whether of the convertible World War II type or the nonconvertible post Korea type.

Under the new law, the requirement is relaxed to the extent that the five-year term of any policy which has lapsed because of failure to pay either or both of the last two monthly premiums is automatically renewed for another five-year term and the policy then may be reinstated by meeting certain requirements.

The provision of the new law was made retroactive to July 23, 1953, and thereby affects any five-year NSLI policy which has lapsed at the expiration of the term since that date, Brannock said.

Rogue River Flood Damages Estimated To Be \$4,048,500

Portland—(U.P.)—Preliminary figures released by Col. Jackson Graham, Portland district engineer, show that floods of December, 1955, caused damages totaling \$17,996,600 in Western Oregon.

Col. Graham said the summary of damages is subject to change before appearing in a final report. However, changes which might be made, he said, would not materially alter the general picture of devastation and loss represented by the dollar value.

The damage figures were compiled from surveys made by Army Engineer crews on the Willamette, Umpqua, Rogue, Coquille and other coastal streams. Private damages accounted for 83 per cent of the total, or \$14,935,800. Public damage came to \$3,060,800 or 17 per cent.

Agriculture interests, with a loss of \$8,700,800, were the biggest losers.

Total damages in the Willamette river were \$8,667,900. Of

that figure, \$5,803,500 were below Albany and \$2,864,400 above Albany.

Total flood damages on the Rogue river were \$4,048,500; on the Coquille \$2,596,800; on the Umpqua \$2,143,200; and on other coastal streams, \$540,200.

Actual Height of Mt. Rainier Due To Be Known Soon

Longmire, Wash.—(U.P.) It's going to be about another week before the Pacific Northwest knows just where its highest peak ranks with other mountains in the United States.

Two surveyors were flown by helicopter to the crest of Mt. Rainier yesterday with equipment to take a new measurement of the lofty peak.

For 43 years the mountain has been considered third highest in continental United States, at 14,408 feet. But the measurement was made in 1913 by outdated methods.

Since then several have doubted the validity of the measurements and the arguments have raged over the true height of Mt. Rainier. If it can gain 88 feet in the current survey, it will be the nation's highest, more than California's Mt. Whitney at 14,495 feet.

A noon day heat wave prevented the helicopter from reaching the two surveyors at the scheduled pickup time yesterday and they were left on the mountain top until evening when temperatures cooled enough for the helicopter once again to climb to the crest.

The two surveyors, Jack Lyon and Toivo Nelson of the U.S. Geological service, will spend the next week computing their calculations.

Triangulation shots were taken simultaneously at a radio signal from four points yesterday in the operations to determine once and for all the true height of Mt. Rainier.

Milton Berle, Wife Plan Trip To Paris

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Comedian Milton Berle and his wife, Ruth, have been issued passports for a two-month business trip and vacation in Paris.

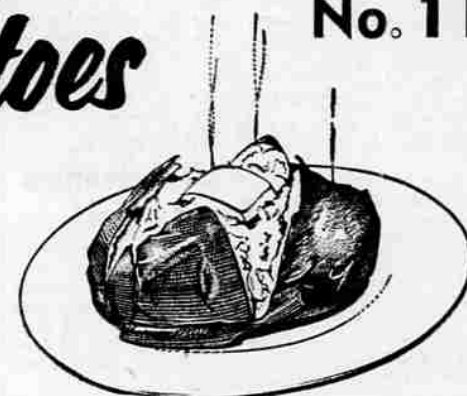
Berle said he plans to leave for New York this week to discuss a television series and then fly to Europe. The passports were issued to the Berles yesterday.

EMPLOYEES PROFIT

Ayer, Mass.—(U.P.)—Annually for 21 years the employees of the Hartnett Tanning Co. have shared the firm's profits. This year the 264 workers divided \$141,971, getting an average of \$537 each.

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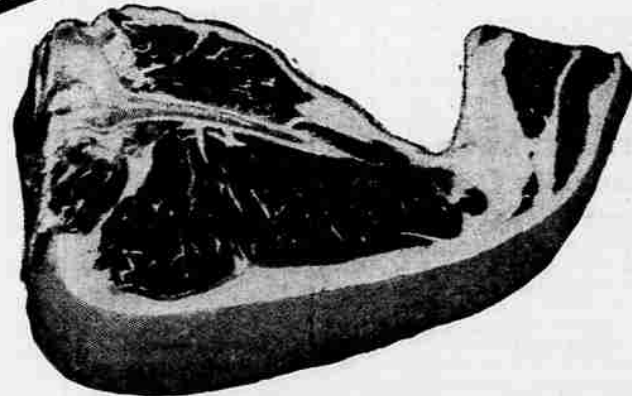
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