

Annual Recruiting Drive Starts by Guard Unit Here

The annual pre-Christmas recruiting campaign of Headquarters company, 186th infantry regiment of the Oregon National Guard, Medford, will start this week and continue through Christmas, Capt. S. J. Fagone, company commander, has announced.

Purpose of the campaign this year, Fagone said, is for the company to qualify for the Eisenhower trophy. Headquarters company has so far this year met all the qualifications necessary to win the trophy he said. It will be presented at the end of the year.

To be eligible for the trophy, Fagone added, the company must increase its number of men from 92 to 99, which is the company's full complement. The Eisenhower trophy is the highest award a guard unit can earn, he said.

Requirements for Trophy
Fagone said that to earn the trophy the company must have had a superior at camp, a superior or excellent during the federal inspection, 90 per cent drill attendance, 30 per cent men enrolled in extension courses, and a full complement of men.

Headquarters Company was selected as the top unit in the state last July from ratings established during the summer camp at Ft. Lewis, Wash., by sixth Army headquarters in San Francisco. This was the third straight year the company has received a superior rating.

An official rating has not yet been received on the federal inspection held last month, according to Fagone. However, he said, the inspecting officer stated that "This was the most efficient Headquarters company he had ever seen."

Fagone said the company presently has openings for men in the intelligence, communications

and pioneer and ammunition sections.

He added the selective service is starting to clamp down on "delinquent guardsmen" and are accelerating induction into the services.

Three Boys Arrested After Chase in Car

Shreveport, La.—(U.P.)—Three small boys armed with rifles believed stolen in Texas were captured in a truck late Friday after an 80-mile-an-hour chase punctuated by gunfire from the fugitives.

Sheriff's Deputy A. A. Waller said he captured the boys, ranging from 10 to 14 years old, in a four-mile chase. Waller said pot shots from the fleeing truck narrowly missed his head.

When the truck went into a ditch on a curve, Waller said, the boys emerged, one holding a rifle.

The boys, identified as being from Dallas, Tex., admitted stealing the truck in Mesquite, Tex., and driving it here, Waller said. The boys also admitted stealing the .30 and .22 caliber rifles, along with costume jewelry and other items, he said.

Waller said he discovered the boys lowering a motor boat in a city-owned boat house, and told them to follow him to headquarters. They dashed away in another direction and the chase followed.

Mrs. Weinberger Sobs at Trial

Mineola, N.Y.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Beatrice Weinberger sobbed Friday when she again heard the voice of the man accused of the kidnap-murder of her infant son ask, "Listen, do you want to see your kid or don't you?" A recorded telephone conversation between the distraught mother and the alleged kidnaper boomed over loudspeakers in Nassau county court with the voice of a man demanding \$2,000 ransom for little Peter Weinberger.

District Attorney Frank Gullotta told the jury the voice was that of Angelo John La Marca.

La Marca, 31, is on trial charged with abducting Peter from his parents' home last July 4 and abandoning him to die the next day. The conversation played back in court occurred July 10.

He sat motionless, staring at his folded hands, as the metallic voice recreated his demand for money for the baby's safe return five days after he had left Peter to die. Mrs. Weinberger's sobs mingled with the recorded voices.

Elderly Hunter Falls In Abandoned Well

Roanoke Rapids, N.C.—(U.P.)—An elderly hunter fell into an abandoned well Friday and stood so long in chilling waist-deep water he was unable to lower his upraised arms when rescued.

The hunter, G. H. Ranhorn, a merchant in his late 60s, was hospitalized and under treatment Saturday for severe shock.

Ranhorn went hunting early Friday morning in 25-degree weather and fell into the old well in a field north of here.

He called for help, but it was late afternoon before a woman at a nearby farm house, Mrs. Lee Wheeden, heard his cries and summoned Sheriff Harry House.

Wind Fans Brush Fire In East Clark County

Vancouver, Wash.—(U.P.)—Fire fanned by a stiff east wind flared over 30 acres of ferns and light brush in eastern Clark county Friday night. Fifteen firefighters from the state's Larch Mountain honor camp were sent in to battle the flames.

Dry conditions combined with the brisk wind, swept the flames rapidly westward over an area south of County Road No. 128, some 15 miles east of Vancouver and five miles north of Camas.

SHORT WAIT

Bloomfield, Mich.—(U.P.)—A sign, tacked for four or five years to a tree in front of the home of Mrs. Millie Noch reads "Kittens Free." A neighbor called on Mrs. Noch and asked for a kitten. Mrs. Noch apologized. "I'm fresh out," she said, "call again in a couple of weeks."



SITTING IN STERN FACED SILENCE these American delegates to the United Nations reflect the somberness of the trouble in Hungary and Egypt. From right to left they are Senators Hubert Humphrey, and William Knowland; U. S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, and Acting Secretary of State Herbert Hoover Jr. (International Soundphoto)

Charges Made of Clandestine Radio

Vienna—(U.P.)—The Soviet-imposed Janos Kadar regime charged Saturday the U.S. legation in Budapest is operating clandestine radio receivers and transmitters.

An announcement broadcast over Budapest Radio said the Hungarian Foreign Ministry had lodged a "strong protest" with the legation. The ministry demanded an immediate halt to

In a formal note, the foreign ministry charged that receivers and transmitters in use at the legation were not registered with the proper Hungarian authorities. It said use of the radios amounted to an "offense against the sovereign rights of the Hungarian people."

Salem—(U.P.)—Open house at the Salem YMCA this week will mark completion of a new \$485,000 youth wing on the main building.

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Reports of Epidemic Said 'Unfounded'

Washington—(U.P.)—The American Red Cross Saturday received a report that Communist claims of a polio epidemic in war-torn Budapest are "unfounded."

The Communist-controlled Budapest Radio said Wednesday that polio and amoebic jaundice epidemics were sweeping the ravaged Hungarian capital.

The American National Red Cross cabled International Red Cross officials in Vienna to check the report so they could determine whether to try to send Salk polio vaccine and gamma globulin to Budapest.

A spokesman said Saturday a Dr. Phillipson of the Swedish Red Cross cabled from Budapest that the epidemic reports were "unfounded" and that "health conditions are as good as could be expected under the circumstances."

Workman's Torch Starts Ship Fire

Portland—(U.P.)—A small fire broke out at the bottom of the American Mail Line's freighter American Mail in drydock at Swan Island here late Friday.

Several pieces of fire equipment responded to the alarm. Firemen said the blaze was potentially dangerous because it was just below deep tanks which carry fuel oil.

The firemen said the blaze apparently was started by a workman's torch.

The freighter is in drydock for repairs to the bottom, damaged in grounding when the ship was on its last voyage to the Philippines. Albina Engine & Machine Works here has a \$150,000 contract on the ship.

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