



LUNCHEON MEETING—Secretary of State Dean Rusk lights a cigarette for Heinrich Von Brentano as the West German foreign minister arrives at the State Department for a luncheon meeting. Von Brentano is in Washington to discuss U.S.-German financial differences with top U.S. officials, including President Kennedy. (UPI Telephoto)

Report of White House Conference Set Thursday

A report on the White House Conference on Aging will be given by Mrs. Marshall Cornett, Klamath Falls, at the third annual meeting of the Rogue Valley Council on Aging Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in the Red Cross auditorium.

Mrs. Cornett, a member of the Oregon State Council on Aging, was a delegate from Oregon for the community services and organization committee.

She will talk on four of the 17 different sections which include health, free-time activities, housing and social services. A question and answer session on other issues covered in the policy reports and recommendations will follow the talk.

Frank Glonning, chairman of the local council on aging, will preside.

Committee Activities

Committee activities in this area will be given by Dr. Frank Roberts, recreation and Fifty Plus clubs; William Hoxie, housing; Col. Clarence Williams, employment; Mrs. Chester Gueches, health; Mrs. Fred Rankin, senior activity center; and Mrs. Harry Fuller, research project.

Plans will be made for ex-

tending the council's services further to meet the needs of the local senior members, a spokesman said.

Special emphasis will be given to the new year's project, "to secure a larger and more adequate building for a senior community center which an house all senior activities including the ever-growing social Fifty Plus clubs, the cultural and educational and hobby groups developed the last two years in the present one room center, and an information and counseling service to assist retired persons to find the help they need to live a full and satisfying life."

Preceding the annual meeting, the senior activity center orchestra under the direction of Edward Root will play.

UPTURN FORECAST

Washington — UPI — Commerce Secretary Luther H. Hodges Saturday forecasted an upturn in employment in April, aided by President Kennedy's anti-recession program.

GIVES UP

Lakeview — UPI — Humble Oil Co. has given up in its second attempt to find oil in Lake county.

Last in a Series

Judge's Mail Applauds Punishment Meted in Electric Antitrust Case

Editor's note: This is the last of three dispatches on the electrical industry antitrust case.

By JACK V. FOX
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In his chambers at the federal courthouse, six blocks from Independence Hall in Philadelphia, U.S. District Judge James Cullen Ganey shook his head and said: "I'll bet I got more mail today than Zsa Zsa Gabor."

Ganey has received between 600 and 700 letters since he sent seven executives of the nation's electrical industry to jail, gave suspended prison sentences to others and levied fines of \$1,024,500 in the government's antitrust prosecution of the top manufacturers of heavy electrical equipment.

Ganey says the mail has run 100-1 applauding his severe punishment.

The individuals pleaded guilty or no defense to charges of fixing prices, rigging bids and slicing up the \$2 billion annual business.

Ganey, 21 years on the federal bench, emphasized in private his concern at the implications of ethics and morality in American industry.

In a pre-sentence statement, he said:

"This is a shocking indictment of a vast section of our economy, for what is really at stake here is the survival of the kind of economy under which America has grown to greatness, the free enterprise system."

Bear Responsibility

Ganey remarked that the defendants had mocked the image of the system offered as an alternative to state control and dictatorship.

While the Department of Justice has acknowledged that they were unable to uncover probative evidence which could secure a conviction beyond a reasonable doubt, of those in the highest echelons of the corporations here involved, in a broader sense they bear a grave responsibility for the present situation, for one would be most naive indeed to believe that these violations of the law, so long persisted in, affecting so large a segment of the industry and finally, involving so many millions upon millions of dollars, were facts unknown to

those responsible for the conduct of the corporation."

General Electric, which received the heaviest fines, has taken sharp and complete exception to Ganey's statement.

Its position is that not only did its top officers and board of directors have no knowledge of the antitrust practices, but that they were in specific violation of a company directive going back to 1946 ordering compliance with such laws.

GE has demoted, cut salaries and transferred the men involved as having violated a trust kept by its other 275,000 employees.

Engage Former President

The company has engaged its former president, Charles E. Wilson, to confer with its customers to settle cases in which purchasers believe they suffered financial loss in buying electrical equipment.

Another defendant, Westinghouse, while it has so far

punished none of its employees involved, has taken action to insure there will be no repetition of price-fixing or antitrust actions.

President Mark W. Cresap Jr. announced establishment of a new antitrust division in Westinghouse.

"Under no circumstances should any Westinghouse man engage in any act that deviates from our policy — even though he may think that by doing so he is assisting the company in one way or another," Cresap said.

"Such a thought is nothing but a delusion . . . any such action is — and will be considered to be — a deliberate act of disloyalty to Westinghouse, and it will be dealt with in the future by appropriate disciplinary action."

Judge Ganey, a quiet-spoken man with white hair neatly parted in the middle, says he hopes the case will be a lesson and deterrent in all American industry.

Were 'Organization Men'

He sticks to his opinion that the individuals were "organization men" who thought they could advance their careers and insure security in the corporation by illicit practices that brought their companies undue profits if not directly to themselves.

"This has been a very distasteful case," he remarked. "I'm glad it's behind me."

The question left in the wake of the antitrust suits is whether the individuals punished took the brunt for their companies.

Edwin Rome, attorney for several of the GE defendants, said his clients were "bitter" about being castigated by their bosses.

But GE has taken an unending stand on the subject. It denies its guilty employees were "conformists" as Ganey labelled them.

"Although we accept in a constructive spirit justifiable criticism in this antitrust situation," GE said, "the assertions that it has been either business policy or alleged conformity to a supposed corporate way of life . . . is not based on fact."

"To draw inaccurate generalizations based on under-

Pickin' Pears

News and Notes From Camp White

By WALTER TOWNSEND

Friday, Feb. 24, will bring the Volunteer Turnabout Party at 8 p.m. in the station theater. A message of welcome has been issued by the manager, which states:

"Recognition Day for volunteer workers is the ceremonial occasion to pay tribute to those organizations and individuals who have served our members so faithfully and loyally."

"Our members all express great gratitude for the warmth and personal interest you have shown in their welfare, that was manifested throughout the year."

"For the staff and personnel of this Domiciliary, I welcome this opportunity to express our grateful appreciation for your outstanding services and contributions to our domiciled veterans."

"Your efforts are deeply appreciated."

An Annual Event

The Turnabout party for the White City volunteers is an annual event, a gesture of appreciation and recognition of the many fine things that have been done by so many good people for the disabled veterans.

The party will feature entertainment by the members, but more important will be an annual award of certificates of appreciation to those volunteers who have given so unselfishly of their time and devoted services.

Henry C. Herzog, Domiciliary manager, will be introduced to the guests by Frank

J. Glonning, deputy chairman VAVS advisory committee Charles I. Gustafson, administrator of the Rogue Valley hospital, will speak on the voluntary service program.

With reference to the party, Herzog paid tribute to the volunteer workers, and expressed the appreciation of the staff and members for the many fine services rendered by the volunteers as part of the "Domiciliary Team."

Will Stress Help

At the Turnabout Party, Herzog will stress the help and cooperation which has been so instrumental in establishing the bond between domiciliary members and the community. Also he will state that the need for volunteer help will increase with the advancing age of hospitalized and disabled veterans.

As the percentage of aged veterans increases, Herzog said last week, more help is needed in the interpretation of planned living and other programs in giving these veterans motivation to achieve a feeling of being wanted and a part of outside society.

Receiving a certificate of recognition Friday night, will be Polly Offutt of the American Legion, for 2,500 hours she put in at White City, for which she will receive the Silver Emblem.

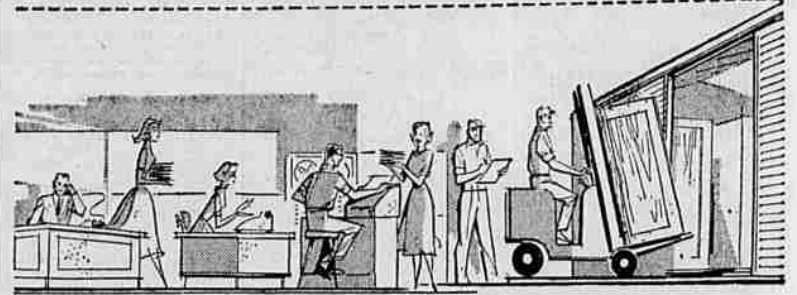
Many other volunteers will receive outstanding ceremonial recognition, for the fine work they have done to brighten the lives of many members at White City.

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