

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

MEET PROFESSOR LUDWIG D. MINUS—OVERPAID EDITOR OF OUR HOWCUM DEPT.—SMOKES HASHEESH IN A HOOKAH ALL DAY AND DREAMS UP QUESTIONS LIKE THESE...

YOU ALL SET? HOKAY! HOWCUM WHEN LAND WAS \$200 PER ACRE SCHOOLS WERE BUILT 3 STORIES HIGH ON A 40-FOOT LOT LIKE THIS...



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Fire Hose Purchase Causes Disagreement at Meeting

It was an unhappy fire chief who left the Medford city council chambers last night after the council overruled his recommendation for the purchase of new fire hose. By a vote of 4 to 2, the council elected to purchase 2,900 feet of fire hose from the American Rubber company for a bid price of \$3,810. Fire Chief Gordon Barker had recommended that the council purchase the hose from the Munnell and Sherrill company at a bid price of \$4,498—a difference in cost of \$588.

The council voted to require that before the American Rubber company hose is accepted, the company should give the city a satisfactory guarantee that the hose will last a minimum of 10 years. Although the Munnell and Sherrill hose cost more, Chief Barker contended it is superior in quality and meets the city's specifications, whereas the American Rubber company does not.

City Manager Robert A. Duff claimed that the American Rubber company hose does meet the specifications, and he suggested that if the city did not accept the low bid on the hose "it puts us on the spot." He did not elaborate on this comment.

Four Bids Received
The city had advertised for 2,500 feet of 2½-inch hose and 400 feet of 1½-inch hose. Four bids were received with American Rubber company's bid being the lowest and Munnell and Sherrill's bid the second lowest. (An in between bid was received, but it came in late.)

The fire chief cited two

main instances where he said the American Rubber company hose fails to meet city specifications: One, the city required that the rubber in the hose have a minimum thickness of 45-thousandths of an inch. Barker said the American Rubber hose has a thickness of only 40-thousandths of an inch.

Two, the city specifications asked that each bidder bid on its top-quality hose. However, the American Rubber company submitted a bid on its fourth-grade hose, the chief said.

As if to emphasize a point that the quality of the American Rubber company hose is not up to the standards desired by the Medford fire department, Barker pointed out that the same kind of hose "failed" at a fire in Grants Pass last year.

He said the American Rubber company denied responsibility for the failure, claiming it was due to an "air burn."

Department's Experience
The chief claimed that the Medford department's own experience shows the Munnell and Sherrill hose will last upwards of 20 years, whereas he said he doesn't believe the American Rubber company hose "will last 10 years." He added that the costlier hose would be cheaper in the long run.

Except to say that he believes the American Rubber hose does meet city specifications, Duff did not comment on those points where Barker claimed it didn't meet the specifications.

Councilman R. L. Van Sickle, apparently agreeing

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McGahan Celebrating St. Pat's Day, Finds Book on Irishmen

By LYLE C. WILSON

Washington—UPI—Several

St. Patrick's days ago, the

Hon. Paul J. McGahan was

honored on the occasion as a

good Irishman should

honor it. He is a Washing-

ton correspondent of the

Philadelphia Inquirer.

Col. (World War I and II)

McGahan was in the National

Press Club bar. The time was

mid-afternoon and Sam, the

split-trick bartender, had no

other customers—a situation

that the normal thirst and

working habits of this capital's

newsmen was bound to

correct, and soon.

Col. McGahan is a bourbon

man—a bourbon-and-splash to

be precise. With time on his

hands, on one hand, you

might say, and his cup of

cheer in the other, Col. McGa-

han was re-telling past

heroics. He safely escorted

Sam through the hell of the

Belleau Woods and Chateau

Thierrys of World War I.

Past Recalled

Together, they marched

with the colonel's division in

the 1919 homecoming parade.

Sam, too young to be a partici-

pant in World War I, was

getting a bullet for bullet

account of the ruckus fit for

a history book, with interrup-

tions from time to time dur-

ing which the bartender

sloshed a dollop of Virginia

Gentleman into the colonel's

glass and splashed the ice

with water.

Virginia Gentleman is sip-

ping stuff that is distilled in

nearby Virginia. It is the

standard bar product of the

Press Club bar. Squeezed,

you might say, in the historic

precincts of eastern Virginia,

this elixir of corn tends to

turn men's minds backward

toward the events of the past.

So it was with Col. McGa-

han as Sam replenished the

Gentleman at ever briefer in-

tervals. The colonel talked

Sam through the postwar

days of peace and depression

and into and through World

War II, with special emphasis

on how times had changed

and never would be again the