

Condemnation Proceedings Filed For Right-of-Way

Complaints were filed recently by the state highway commission seeking condemnation of several properties for right of way for the Seven Oaks-Nell creek section of the new Pacific freeway, according to circuit court records.

The commission is seeking condemnation of three parcels of land owned by Frances Earhart and John Doe south-west of Barnett rd. The first parcel is 2 acres, the second is 2.02 acres and a third .56 acre. True cash value is estimated at \$14,450.

The state is also seeking condemnation of 3.15 acres owned by Frank L. Earhart and Jane Doe Earhart near South Riverside ave. True cash value is estimated at \$16,950.

A second suit filed against the Earharts involves 3.48 acres and .24 acre. True cash value is estimated at \$12,230.

A right of access to Barnett rd. will be provided and the remaining real property on the east side of the relocated Pacific highway will be served by a public road to be constructed by the highway commission.

Three Parcels

Condemnation is also sought on property owned by Earl T. and Ruth Newbury and Lyn-dal W. and Charlotte M. Newbury and J. M. Casebeer near Valley View county rd. The parcels contain .42 acre, 2.38 acres and .5 of an acre, respectively. True cash value is estimated at \$4,800.

A temporary easement is required across the property for construction of the private access road to provide access to the Valley View rd.

The state highway commission is seeking condemnation of two parcels of land, .29 acre and 1.2 acres, owned by V. L. Quackenbush and Ronald J. Quackenbush south of Medford on the South Pacific highway for the freeway right of way. True cash value is estimated at \$1,120.

Gamble Benedict Gives Birth to Son

New York - (UPI) - Gamble Benedict Forumbear, who ran away from his wealthy home twice to marry the man of her life, gave birth to a boy Sunday.

Dr. John Langstadt, Gamble's doctor, said she and her husband Andre, became the parents of a 6-pound 13-ounce son.

Gamble, 20, heir to a Remington typewriter fortune, said she would name the child George Mihai after the father of her 35-year-old Romanian-born husband.

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FIRST PRIME MINISTER—Garlanded with flowers, Julius K. Nyerere, who will become the first Prime Minister of Tanganyika May 1, is carried by supporters at the close of a recent two-day constitutional conference in Dar Es Salaam, Tanganyika. The U.N. trust territory, which has been administered by Britain since 1919, is to become independent Dec. 28. The achievement of independence this year is a personal victory for Nyerere. (UPI Radioteletype)

Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins
(Register and Tribune Syndicate 1961)

Heap of Food Value In Just a Little Nut

It wouldn't be so bad to be a nut, provided of course if one could be so fortunate as to be the most important nut in America. Such a nut is the pecan.

Here in the United States it is a pretty valuable article; it provides a very important contribution to the prosperity and economic life of the South; it adds, too, to the very diversified list of crops and products of the land below the Mason and Dixon Line.

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Actually, the pecan is a species of hickory. The tree thrives best in a rich, well-watered soil, and in a comfortable location grows into a tree up to 150 feet in height. The range of the pecan follows the so-called cotton belt into the South Atlantic states, and down into Mexico.

Most of the pecans average 40 or 50 to the pound, but specialized strains and intelligent cultivation have resulted in phenomenal improvements, and today pecans so large that 20 of them will often weigh 16 ounces, are common. This particular variety has become known as the "Century" and it is the most profitable of the pecan trees.

Much of the improvement in the culture of this important tree is in the fragility of the outer shell; some varieties have such a delicate covering as to be easily cracked between the fingers, and of course they are aptly named "paper-shelled."

The pecan tree has flowers arranged in slender, drooping tassels, which usually occur in threes on a small stalk or twig. This is characteristic of all the hickories. The nuts occur in compact clusters of 3 to 12, each nut with its own individual, thin husk, which is more or less winged.

First Quarter Expected To Be Low Mark in Corporate Profits

By HENRY J. BECHTOLD
UPI Financial Editor

New York - (UPI) - Corporate profits should be on a rising plane this year, the reverse of the 1960 pattern, but in the aggregate they probably will fall slightly below last year.

This is the opinion of Standard & Poor's Corp. The advisory Henry Bechtold service said the first quarter probably would mark the low point of the year, proving to be no better than the final quarter of 1960. But the year likely will end on a strong note.

Comparisons with the exceptionally high profits realized in the corresponding initial three months of last year will be quite unfavorable; but a somewhat smaller year-to-

year decline is indicated for the June quarter, followed by widening gains thereafter.

Of the first reporting to date, Standard & Poor's found profits down 2 per cent from the 1959 level, reflecting the impact of the business slowdown.

While industrial firms showed a profits dip of 3.8 per cent the decline was partly offset by utility gains.

The 1960 first quarter results were swelled greatly by the inventory accumulation that followed the long steel strike of 1959, but Standard & Poor's noted that the trend was reversed thereafter as inventory and the economy began to slow down.

Nearly two-thirds of the reporting groups posted declines in 1960. The largest declines, all in excess of 40 per cent, were sustained by agricultural machinery, carpets and rugs, aircraft manufacturers, air transport, and rayon.

The best year-to-year performances were made by mining and smelting, specialty machinery, natural gas pipelines, biscuit bakers, gold mining, corn refiners, and office equipment.

Fat Trimmed Off

Surprisingly, sales of most companies were higher than in 1959, but profit margins were squeezed because of intensified competition from both domestic and foreign producers, and the difficulty in passing along higher costs in the face of excess industry capacity.

Standard & Poor's noted that in some cases posted prices were cut or concessions granted. And at the same time promotional efforts were accelerated to pare built-up inventories and to introduce new products created through long-range research programs.

However, as the profit pinch became more acute, efforts were instituted vigorously by

managements in the latter part of the year to trim costs, streamline operations, and otherwise increase efficiency.

Personnel also was cut; al-

though wage rates continued to rise under existing labor contracts.

As a result of these efforts, it was pointed out, most firms

entered 1961 with most of the fat trimmed off and in a position to widen their profit margins on any improvement in sales.

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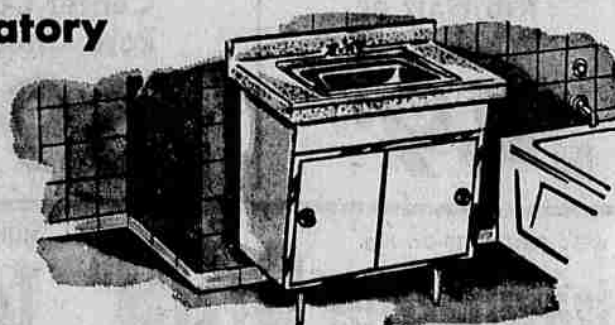
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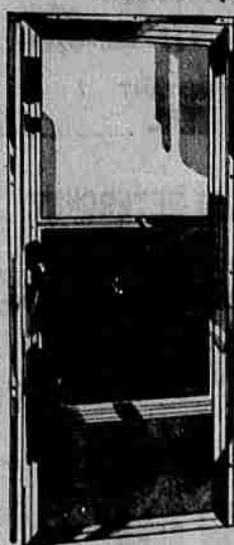
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