

Wife of Defeated Solon Concedes She Was Communist

OKANOGAN, Wash. (UPI) — Mrs. Sally Goldmark admitted Wednesday that voters in the first legislative district probably had a right to know that the wife of one of their legislators was a former Communist.

Mrs. Goldmark began her fourth day on the witness stand today in trial of the \$225,000 libel suit she and her husband, John, filed after the 1962 primary election.

Goldmark lost his bid for the Democratic nomination for a fourth term in the State House of Representatives in that election.

Mrs. Goldmark said she kept her membership in the Communist party a secret but did not have to talk about it because no one ever asked her.

She said she never served as

a courier for the party and did not in the eight years she belonged to the party, ever receive a direct order to carry out any act for the Communist party.

She also said the group to which she belonged from 1935 to 1943 never in that time discussed overthrowing the United States government.

She said she felt she had cooperated fully with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and House Un-American Activities Committee when she was questioned by them several years after she left the party.

The Goldmarks seek damages for statements which they claim libeled them by linking them to communism.

Christmas Trees Readied for Hawaii

PORTLAND (UPI) — Some 90,000 Christmas trees for shipment to Hawaii have been gathered here.

The trees will be shipped to the islands aboard the Matson vessel Hawaiian Planter. They were brought in by truck and rail from Oregon, Washington, Montana, Wisconsin, Minnesota and British Columbia.

TIMING IS OFF

VENTURA, Calif. (UPI) — A mother and the baby she delivered without help when the hospital sent her home today reported in good condition today at General Hospital.

Mrs. Valerie Grubbs, 24, went home Wednesday when the hospital resident told her it appeared it would be sometime before her baby would be born.

But the baby arrived soon after and Mrs. Grubbs delivered her daughter before deputies or highway patrolmen arrived to assist her.

Engineers Present Drainage Proposal To GP Councilmen

GRANTS PASS — The first step to carry out a drainage program for the City of Grants Pass to be financed with a 10-year levy approved by the voters in the spring of 1962 was taken Wednesday night when the consulting engineers, Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield of Corvallis presented their proposal to the council.

Roy Eames, city manager, said "The growing city compounds its drainage problem when it expands, when it becomes a complex of asphalt and house tops instead of growing grass or vegetation to absorb rainfall. This accelerates the flow of water which causes flooding."

The council also conducted five public hearings at the Wednesday session. There were no remonstrances so the city will continue with the improvements, all in the northeast section of the city. Two are for curb, gutter and paving and three for sewer improvements.

A public hearing Dec. 18 on a proposed zoning map change, recommended by the planning commission, was announced. This hearing concerns four lots on the fringe of the downtown area. They are owned by the Masonic lodge and the proposed zone change would enable the lodge to build a new hall at the location.

recommendaion was approved. The council authorized the purchase of new construction equipment, a \$9,973 tractor.

A group of people, protesting the recent dismissal of John Smith from the police force, was received by the council. Members of the group were heard and the council agreed to investigate their basis for protesting the action of the police chief.

Oregon Delegation Splits on Measure

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Oregon's congressional delegation split Wednesday as the House of Representatives voted 216 to 182 to extend cotton subsidies to textile mills.

Rep. Walter Norblad, a Republican, and Democrat Edith Green opposed the program. Rep. Al Ulman voted for it and Rep. Robert Duncan, also a Democrat, did not vote, but was recorded as paired against it.

Jersey Cattle Club Slates Meeting

CORVALLIS — Dr. James H. Jensen, president of Oregon State University, will be featured speaker for the annual meeting of the Oregon Jersey Cattle Club Dec. 7 on the university campus.

Dr. Jensen will speak at the Jersey Club annual luncheon, according to H. P. Ewalt, OSU extension dairy specialist, who is in charge of arrangements for the meeting.

The group will meet in the Memorial Union on the OSU campus, starting at 10 a.m. It will be the first time the organization's annual meeting has been held at Oregon State.

Small Worlds Around Us

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Three Horns For Who Knows What?

This little character, equipped with three silly horns on the top of his head, has no idea what they are for. Neither do any of the rest of us.

But he is stuck with them, and on him they look good. Of course, an ox would look just as ridiculous with three horns... and two where they should be and one long one in front. Just as peculiar is the so-called ox-beetle.

There are at least 12,000 species of beetles in the United States, and millions of individuals of each... all of which total up to what the little boy said is "a mess of bugs."

One of the larger species of beetles, of which the ox-beetle is one, always seems to be hurrying from one place to another. The truth is the beetles seldom know where they are going. The occasional glimpse we get of them happens when misfortune disrupts their normal way of life and reveals them to us. Ordinarily they spend their time in the ground, or out of sight in leaves or decayed wood.

Dislike Sunlight

Ox beetles dislike sunlight. If caught in the open they exert every effort to get back under cover again. As undercover agents they have no equal. The big, black beetles with the three horns are about the best of the lot.

Some people call old three-horn the "rhinoceros beetle." They do resemble the African animal in head adornment, even more than they resemble an ox.

These ground-dwelling beetles are often 2½ inches long. The males have three curved horns on the head; the females have only one — the two smaller horns are absent.

The body of the ox beetle is dark brown, shiny and hard. They have four wings, although the hard outer covers hide the real flying wings. The outer wings are raised out of the way when the insect is about to fly. The flying wings are thin membranes, and seldom visible unless the covers are raised.

Purpose Unknown

The exact purpose of the three horns is not definitely known. They probably give to the beetles a ferocious and dangerous appearance which causes their enemies to stop and consider before launching an attack. Like all beetles, the ox variety has six very strong legs, each of which is equipped with sharp, curving claws with which earth or rotting wood is torn apart when the beetles search for food.

The food consists mostly of other insects, most of which are harmful to man's crops or cultivated plants. This preference for special insects places the ox-beetles on the list of lesser creatures beneficial to man and his crops.



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