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"Woman Of The Week"



Mrs. Robert P. Ellingson Sr. is presented with a bouquet of roses by Governor Earl Snell who announced the Woman of the Week selection for the state of Oregon yesterday.

Governor Snell Confers Honor On Klamath Woman

Mrs. Robert P. Ellingson Sr., 1425 Pacific Terrace, was selected as Woman of the Week for the state of Oregon and this honor was conferred upon her yesterday by Governor Earl Snell.

The selection came as a distinct surprise to Mrs. Ellingson who has long been active in civic and social circles of Klamath Falls. Governor Snell presented Mrs. Ellingson with a lovely bouquet of roses, gift of the Klamath Flower Shop, as he announced the award at a tea given for Mrs. Snell at the M. E. Cornett home.

Mrs. Ellingson is president of the Klamath County Health association, the Klamath Falls Woman's Library club, past president of the Nile club, was the first president of the Women's Society of Christian Service, First Methodist church; first president of the Parents and Patrons club of KUHS which she helped organize, is a past president of the OES Social club, has been active in the League of Women Voters, served as first vice president of the Klamath Falls Council of Church Women, and was a member of the University of Oregon Mothers club.

The Woman of the Week has also had time to devote to her family which includes three sons and a daughter. Two of her sons were commissioned officers in the army air corps, they wear the Distinguished Flying Cross and have recently received the Presidential Citation. Mrs. Ellingson is a native of Wisconsin and is a graduate of Stevens Point State Teachers college, Wis. The award, in the opinion of Klamath residents who have worked with Mrs. Ellingson, was justly made and the Woman of the Week selection pleased her many friends.

Herbert Clark Hoover, the nation's chief executive from 1929 until 1933, declared the nation needs a "real food administrator."

He made plain in an interview that in his opinion Secretary of Agriculture Anderson should have more power to prevent feeding of wheat to livestock when hungry people abroad could use it.

"Incorrect price differentials" set up by OPA led to this situation, Mr. Hoover said soon after he had been designated honorary chairman of President Truman's "famine emergency committee."

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College Pledges Lead Dog's Life

DENTON, Tex., March 2 (AP)—North Texas State college's dog, Spot, which does little day and night except watch a sewer hole on the campus, got help today.

Fraternity pledges were assigned to watch the hole whenever Spot takes time out forchow.

The dog took up his vigil Jan. 20. No one knows why he watches the hole.

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U. S. Tells Russia Off For Attacks

Moving Of Equipment From Manchuria Also Rapped

WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—The United States told Russia off today for two Soviet attacks on navy planes off the Manchurian coast and for the red army's removal of Manchuria's industrial equipment.

The two-play protest provided an unexpected follow-up to the speech of Secretary of State Byrnes Thursday foreshadowing a much tougher approach in future dealings with Moscow.

In protesting the attacks on American planes, the navy used very strong language. It termed one incident a "hostile act" and called the other "unjustifiable." The navy's protest coincided with a state department declaration that Russia had no right under any allied agreement to strip industrial equipment from the former Japanese puppet state of Manchuria.

The attacks on American planes both were reported to have taken place in the Port Arthur-Dairen area, and the navy pointed out that under the Russo-Chinese treaty of last August Dairen is supposed to be a free port, open to all nations, but administered by China.

According to the navy, the first Soviet attack on a U. S. plane in this area took place last October, and the second last month.

When the first incident was protested, the navy said, Russian authorities replied the Soviets were responsible for defense of the Port Arthur area under the treaty with China and that American planes must not approach within 12 miles of the coast without previous permission.

The navy rejected this reply, pointing out that the American plane was 25 miles at sea when fired on by Soviet aircraft, and that Russia had never notified the United States it intended to apply a 12-mile limit in Soviet-occupied territory. Moscow never answered this protest.

It was this incident the navy characterized as a "hostile act." The American plane involved was a Mariner patrol plane on a routine flight to check on shipping in those waters.

The second episode occurred February 20 when two Russian fighter planes overtook another Mariner near Dairen and gave warning bursts of machine gun fire for about 10 minutes. The plane was not hit, however, and was able to return to its base at Tsingtao, China.

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Seeks Re-Election



ROBERT S. FARRELL JR.

Farrell Seeks Second Term

Robert S. Farrell Jr., secretary of state, today announced he would be a candidate in the May primaries for re-election to that office.

Farrell is completing his first term as secretary of state. He served successively as legislator, speaker of the house of representatives and, for the past term, as one of Oregon's three principal officials. Farrell is a republican and a native of Oregon.

The secretary is a member of the Oregon Bar association and engaged in the practice of law for many years prior to election to the state office.

OPA Told Of Milk Decision

A telegram to Portland last night informed the regional OPA office of the decision by dairymen here yesterday to cut off the supply of whole milk for bottling and apparently today it's up to the OPA to make the next move.

The board of directors of the Dairy Producers association has not yet voted to stop bringing in milk for bottling, but after yesterday's opinion - finding meeting the action appears to be a formality.

The milk producers want the ceiling price on whole milk in buttermilk upped to \$1.15 from the present ceiling here of 85 cents. Portland area operators have set March 15 as the deadline for a milk stoppage there and the same deadline will probably be set here.

With Friday's announcement of the impending action, housewives began a raid on grocery stores for canned milk, taking it by the case. A limit of two dozen cans was set by some stores and there is generally a good supply on hand.

The dairymen here propose to divert their milk from the bottling market to facilities for making cheese, cottage cheese, ice cream or to ship sweet cream if the OPA doesn't act to relieve the situation.

A representative of a local hospital at the meeting yesterday said that the action would not effect hospitals because they use canned milk in the diet kitchens and for babies.

The proposed ceiling would boost bottle milk prices, probably 2 cents per quart, or from 14 to 16 cents, it was brought out yesterday. In 1938 the price was 14 cents.

Solicitation To Begin Monday

Active solicitation for the 1946 Red Cross drive will start Monday morning, committee heads announced today.

The quota of \$43,100, is the largest set for Klamath county in peace time years. The committee expects to reach the goal set by March 30, and all business houses and individuals are asked to have their donations ready so that this deadline can be met.

Chairman of the drive is Robert A. Thompson. A new feature is the \$100 club, membership in this club going to donors of \$100 or more.

Full Probe Of Proposal Called For

Eugene Realtors Play Move For College At Marine Base

EUGENE, March 2 (AP)—Full investigation and consideration of alternate proposals before any higher education unit is established at Klamath Falls was asked Friday in a telegram to Governor Earl Snell of Oregon by 18 leading members of veteran organizations in Eugene.

Their action followed a petition signed by 400 veterans now enrolled at the University of Oregon asking that the money which would be spent to house a branch university at the Marine Barracks, be used to provide facilities at existing educational institutions.

Criticism of the Klamath Falls plan now before the state board of higher education has also been voiced by the Eugene Realty board.

Representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Spanish-American War Veterans and the Marine Corps league have all voiced their caution against the Klamath Falls project.

Soviets Said Leaving Iran

MOSCOW, March 2 (AP)—Red army troops were reported withdrawing from three districts of eastern Iran today—the deadline for their departure under terms of a big three agreement with the Iranian government—but were remaining in other areas until situation is "cleared up."

The Soviet press and radio made no comment on the matter, other than an announcement yesterday that withdrawal would start today from those parts of Iran "which are undisturbed."

Meanwhile, conversations between the Russians and Ahmed Qavam Es Saltaneh, Iran's premier, continued in Moscow.

British, Russian and United States troops were sent to Iran in 1941 to protect Russia's southern supply route.

Oregon Newsmen Will Begin Tour

PORTLAND, March 2 (AP)—A group of Oregon newspapermen will begin a 10-day tour of the state's industries Monday under the sponsorship of the National Association of Manufacturers and Columbia Empire Industries.

The group will visit Klamath Falls first, then go to Medford, Roseburg, Eugene, Salem, Portland and Astoria.

Big Snow Storm Strikes Paris

PARIS, March 2 (AP)—The biggest snowfall in Paris history put 20 inches on the ground today, with official forecasts that it would continue 24 hours more. Rail and truck traffic were virtually stalled, reducing food shipments into the capital.

A blizzard swept southern and coastal England.

2 Bodies Found In Sludge Pit Near University City

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 2 (AP)—The bodies of a husky Bloomington stone mill official and an attractive creamery office worker were found last night by a searching party in the sludge pit of an abandoned stone mill, four miles north of this quiet university city.

Sheriff Albert H. Skirvin, who led the search, identified them as Russell E. Koontz, 43, superintendent of the Empire Stone company, and Mrs. Phyllis Coleman, 32. Both were married.

He said Koontz was beaten on the back of the head with a

Lewis Files Notice For UMW Men

By The Associated Press
John L. Lewis filed a 30-day strike notice today for some 400,000 United Mine Workers and notified bituminous coal operators he wanted to reopen wage talks with them in Washington on March 12.

Lewis said the miners "will continue to work for the ensuing 30 days."

In strike notices filed with the national labor relations board, Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach and the wage stabilization board, Lewis said the issues in dispute covered wages, the question of whether supervisory employees could belong to the UMW, working hours, and other conditions.

The strike notice, conforming with terms of the war labor disputes act, does not affect the 70,000 hard coal miners in Pennsylvania who are covered by a separate contract.

The administration's new wage-price policy, he added, had resulted in "significant change" in government wage policy and that the wage issue could be reopened under the UMW contract.

In a recent radio broadcast, Lewis raised the possibility the UMW might attempt to breach the government's new wage-price policy. Asked whether the miners might demand wages in excess of the new formula, he replied, "certainly the miners will expect their problems to be settled on the merits of the questions affecting the coal industry."

Negotiations for the last two coal contracts, in 1943 and 1945, were accompanied by wartime strikes and government seizure of the mines.

Notice
In his notice to the operators today, Lewis requested negotiations cover "wages, hours, rules, practices, differentials, inequalities, and all other pertinent matters."

Bituminous coal miners now are working a six-day, 54-hour week for \$63.50. The basic week is 35 hours, however.

Two major strikes accounted for nearly one-half of the nation's 800,000 idle because of labor disputes as a survey disclosed a decrease of nearly a million since the near all-time high in late January.

The principal work stoppages involved some 200,000 workers at General Motors plants and about 175,000 CIO electrical workers at General Electric and Westinghouse plants.

CIO United Auto leaders in Detroit said the 102-day walkout at General Motors, despite recent hopes of settlement, would last "until GM meets its public responsibility."

Wheat Order To Be Eased

WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—The agriculture department has agreed to modify its restrictions on wheat for stock feed in Pacific coast states, Senator Mitchell (D-Wash.) said yesterday.

The amended ruling will allow use of an amount of wheat equal to 85 per cent of all grain fed in corresponding months last year, Mitchell said. Previously the amount of wheat which could be used in mixed feed for livestock and poultry was limited to a variable percentage of the wheat fed last year.

Mitchell had maintained that the original order worked a severe hardship on western growers. The amendment applies only to Oregon, Washington and California. Idaho has asked to be included.

Jail Trusty Resigns Post

Jeff Hull, Klamath Indian prisoner at the county jail, walked off from a trusty gang with which he was working yesterday and disappeared, Sheriff Lloyd L. Low said today.

Hull and other prisoners were shoveling coal outside the jail yesterday morning and when the men were taken back to their cells at noon he was missing.

The sheriff has notified Indian agents, city and state police of the escape but Hull had not been located this morning. He was serving time for drunk and disorderly and has been in jail a number of times before.

Arriving In United States

By The Associated Press
Dale C. Hendrickson, Cpl., Klamath Falls, arriving on Smith Victory due in New York March 4.

Edwin A. Lyndes, Sgt., Klamath Falls, arriving on Lewiston Victory due in New York March 2.

Max A. Saunders, T/3, Klamath Falls, arrived on General Squier due in New York February 28.

Bertrand F. Lehmann, 5/Sgt., Klamath Falls, arrived on General Squier due in New York February 28.