

DEAD IN MIDWEST CORNDO

In The Day's News

THE department of commerce reports today that in 1946 American production of liquor was down SEVEN HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS for whiskey, beer and wine. That is an average of \$89 for each person over 16 years old.

IT USED TO GO FARTHER—much farther. If you happen to have in your possession, as many people do, copies of newspapers printed a century or more ago, you will find interesting reading in some of the ads. If your search is industrious enough, you will probably discover that in those days the going price for whiskey was around two bits per GALLON.

ALL of which goes to show that morals can't be judged accurately by statistics. At two bits a gallon, the stuff was sold at a profit of 50 per cent. Judging by what we read in the old books, they did not quite a lot of it. It is just possible that on a gallonage basis their per capita average exceeded ours.

WE get a similarly distorted picture when we read the crime stories. They are numerous enough, the Lord knows. Heading the papers, etc., in these days, we sometimes wonder cynically if ANYBODY goes straight any more.

WELL, maybe not still, we mustn't forget that in this modern day communications have been perfected amazingly. If anybody says from the narrow path, ever so little, in Bingville, Arkansas, or Tallahassee, Florida, or ANYWHERE, for that matter, we know about it pronto in every city and village in America.

A century ago, communications were scant and slow. There were no radios. The newspapers of that day couldn't afford to gather news of every crime that happened, no matter where.

IN these days of almost unlimited communications, the crime story pours in on us in a steady torrent.

WHILE we're about it, let's philosophize a little more. It is indubitably true that crime and its recital promote more crime. People with weak minds read of crime and are prompted to give it a try. But it is also true that the fear of publicity is a DETERRENT of crime.

That is to say, there are many people who wouldn't mind straying from the narrow paths of virtue if reasonably sure they wouldn't be found out. It is being found out and having the findings spread on the printed page and sent vibrating over the ether to the ears of all to hear that is the rub.

We newspaper people know all about that. When somebody's foot slips, he hides himself to the editor's office without delay. He is quiet as a mouse that if his misdoing could be kept dark everything would be hazy-tazy and the sun would continue to shine in a blue and smiling sky.

ISN'T it just possible that with communications what are in these days, with the likelihood of having wrongdoings set out for all to read and all to hear, modern people would be a little less likely to take a chance than in the earlier days when publicity was less searching and less efficient?

At any rate, it is a thought. It doesn't do us any good to hug to our bosoms the delusion that all the BAD is happening now whereas all was GOOD and pure and sweet in the olden, golden days.

That leads to the conclusion that the world is getting worse instead of better, which is a numbing thought.

Besides, in all probability, I ISN'T TRUE.

Whiskey Spending Hits Record High

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—Americans spent the unprecedented sum of \$7,700,000,000 on whiskey, beer and wine in 1946, the commerce department reported today.

That was an average of \$89 for each person over 16 years old.

The total was \$20,000,000 more than the previous record, set in 1945.

Federal, state and local governments got 40 per cent of the 1946 total, or about \$3,500,000,000, in taxes. The federal government alone received \$2,700,000,000.

Western Solons Warn Of Tough Fight In USBR Cut

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—The West was put on notice today by four of its members that attempts to restore reclamation and power funds to the interior department appropriation bill face tough going in the senate.

Since the house whacked the total to \$161,535,513, or about 45 per cent under the president's recommendation, western members of congress have looked hopefully to the senate.

But Senators Cordon (R-Ore.) and Magnuson (D-Wash.), agreed today that the fight for more money in the senate version of the bill won't be easy.

"The senate," Cordon told a reporter, "will follow the economy program started in the house. The senate will try to adjust any injustices that may have crept into the bill. But the senate is not going

Hunt Pushed For Missing Airliner

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 30 (AP)—Yankee civil pilots named the business in the dominion, was a hive of activity as search planes took off for the second day in a hunt for the missing Trans-Canada airliner.

The plane, a 12-place Lockheed Lodestar, carrying 15 passengers was reported missing early Tuesday after it disappeared following range clearance into the field.

Relentless Hunt Grim-faced maintenance crews, some of them working a double shift, are servicing planes for as they land. Pilots are stopping only for coffee and quick bites between flights and the relentless hunt goes on.

"It looks like an operational raid," said Squadron leader R. A. Kipp, in charge of 12 group air sea rescue, directing the hunt.

Airline officials were busy checking reports from residents of Cedar B. C., near Nanaimo of a "red glow" seen in the sky shortly before 1:00 a.m. (PDT) Tuesday — about one hour after the plane vanished.

It was believed that the glow might have been signal flares in the night sky set off by Captain W. G. Pike of Vancouver, pilot of the missing aircraft as he tried desperately to locate the flying field at Nanaimo.

To the south United States coast guard planes began an intensive sweep of the rugged coastal area and a helicopter stood ready at Seattle. At Nanaimo planes from the flying club joined in the search.

Reno Deputy Shot To Death

RENO, Nev., April 30 (AP)—One sheriff's deputy was shot to death and another was wounded as they searched a suspicious car at midnight in the desolate sagebrush-covered hills near Reno.

A few hours later Larry Gene Yancy, 17, of San Diego, surrendered to army officers at Reno air base and was booked at the Washoe county jail for investigation of robbery in America.

Deputy Sheriff A. T. McCarter said Yancy told him he had nothing to do with the shooting, and blamed a companion.

Sheriff Ray Root organized a posse of 200 men to search for the killer.

The sheriff here was warned last night that two men held up a filling station at Susanville, Calif., and were headed toward Reno.

Deputy Earl Griffith, 48, and Lambert, 40, were driving a new automobile parked at the roadside, and started to question the two men inside. One of the men scuffled with Griffith and shot him fatally. Another bullet went through Lambert's abdomen and a third hit his badge. The two men then fled into the sagebrush.

Lambert fired after them and deputies said at least one bullet struck the soldier in the drops of blood were found in the sand.

Aleman Takes Capital Tour

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—Miguel Aleman, president of Mexico, departed on a sight-seeing tour of Washington today with President Truman giving him a cheery send-off from the White House and calling him a "grand guy."

Mr. Aleman spent the night with the visiting chief of state and members of his party at the exit of the south portion of the White House, where Mr. Aleman spent the night.

Waving to the Mexican president as the automobile procession left the grounds en route to Arlington and a visit to the tomb of America's unknown soldier, Mr. Truman said to reporters:

"I think he's having a nice time," adding, "he's a grand guy."

Lumber Violence Sentence Given

UKIAH, Calif., April 30 (AP)—Two Fort Bragg men, convicted of rioting and assault with a deadly weapon in the 15-month-old Redwood Lumber Workers strike, must serve terms in both the county jail and San Quentin state prison.

Superior Judge Milburn Gibson yesterday sentenced the two, William Phillips Jr., 30, and John Bundy, 43, to 180 days in jail on each of three counts of riot, the terms to run concurrently; and to one to 10 years in San Quentin on each of eight and nine counts, respectively, of assault. The prison terms also are concurrent.

The charges grew out of an attack upon non-striking workers near Willits last February.

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5 Phone Unions Call Off Strike

Farm House Ripped In Missouri Tornado



WORTH, Mo., April 30—Its walls pushed apart and its roof collapsed, the house in the foreground was among those damaged by a tornado which tore through Worth, Mo., today.

Romance Off Curriculum

WHITEHAVEN, Tenn., April 30 (AP)—Romance has been removed from the list of extra-curricular activities allowed at Whitehaven high school.

The 700 students of the school near Memphis have had the law laid down by Principal Fred Elliott: No eating together or lingering after meals in the cafeteria. No walking a couple on the campus. No visiting in home rooms.

And most of all, no marrying. Elliott issued his edict after what he termed "next to an epidemic" of student marriages. Eight have taken place since September.

From now on, marriage means an indefinite suspension. And violation of the anti-tete-a-tete edict involves five days suspension.

RC Drive Ends In Klamath

Klamath county chapter Red Cross 1947 campaign will officially end April 30. There are still some uncollected contributions that have been missed may be mailed or brought to the chapter office at 518 Main street.

Quota for this year was \$25,000 and to date \$16,905.66 has been contributed. This means that Red Cross services to this county will have to be cut in proportion.

Under the Red Cross Charter granted by the congress of the United States it is obligatory that service men and their dependents, veterans and their dependents, dependents of deceased service men, receive financial assistance for basic maintenance until such time as they receive their government benefits. This assistance is given on a basis of need. All other assistance is at the discretion of the local board of directors of the chapter.

Employment Hits Peace Time High

SALEM, April 30 (AP)—Employment in Oregon last December was the highest for any peace-time winter month in the state's history, and was only 10 per cent below the wartime peak in 1943, the state unemployment compensation commission said today.

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Mr. Truman used four pens in signing the resolution and sent them to Lawrence Ritchie, secretary to former President Herbert Hoover, with the view to Hoover's distributing the pens as he pleases.

Nelson Resigns: Is Last Democrat In County Office

The resignation of Newton B. Nelson as tax assessor, turned in late yesterday and effective July 1, will remove the last remaining democrat from the county's official family.

Nelson, who was re-elected to the office for a second term last November, handed his resignation to County Clerk Charles DeLap yesterday, but it has not yet gone through the formality of being okayed by the county court.

He gave as his reason for quitting the county office a necessity for bettering himself financially. The tax job pays \$2700 a year, and a proposed \$50 a month raise was turned down by the legislature recently.

Nelson's term does not expire until January 1, 1950. He was unopposed for the office at the last general election.

The county court will have the job of appointing a successor to the office, but Judge U. E. Reeder said today that the court hadn't discussed the matter at all. County court was in session today and presumably Nelson's resignation would be accepted.

Judge Reeder said that before an appointment could be made the court would have to get a legal opinion on whether the appointment would be for the remainder of Nelson's term—three and a half years—or just until the next general election, November, 1948.

Also, he said, the last legislature passed a measure that future tax assessors have to pass an inspection by the state tax commission, and the speculation at the court house today is that the republican county court will select a republican as his successor.

"Ghost Plane" Baffles RAF

LONDON, April 30 (AP)—Recurring reports of a midnight "ghost plane" swooping out of the east at tremendous speed gave the British press a sensational aviation mystery today but the Royal Air Force, while admitting the "whole thing was 'slightly mysterious,'" refused to get excited.

Eye-witness accounts said the mystery craft, first spotted by radar early in January, zooms over the east Anglia coast — as though it came from the continent — and disappears inland at a speed of 400 miles an hour or more.

What is even odder is that the plane has never been seen making the return journey from England to the continent. RAF night fighters have tried regularly to intercept the "ghost plane" but so far have been unsuccessful.

DANES MOURN AS KING PASSES

COPENHAGEN, April 30 (AP)—Half a million Danes stood in silent mourning today watching the cortege of beloved King Christian pass through black-decked streets to his burial place in Roskilde cathedral.

Preceding the hearse were six military detachments, including marines from the USS Wilkes-Barre. Immediately behind the hearse, King Frederik and his brother, Prince Knud, walked side by side. King Haakon VII of Norway and Prince George of Greece were next. Weeping persons were numerous among the throngs of watchers. Rain fell occasionally.

Light Plane Still Missing

EUGENE, April 30 (AP)—Aerial search parties hunting a missing two-place Aerona airplane, which left Medford Monday evening to fly to Eugene, turned their attention to an area west of Drain today, following a report that residents in that section sighted an unlighted small plane flying low at 9 p. m. Monday.

Lt. Hugh Varley, commander of the Drain civil air patrol, was the first to fly over the new search area and he was joined at noon today by planes of the Eugene CAP.

Meanwhile state police and Glyn Harris, Eugene CAP commander, reported that an ex-army fighter pilot's report of a light plane in trouble over Glenwood, near here, Monday night, had been checked and the plane identified as a locally-owned Aerona Champion which later landed safely at the Eugene airport.

MB Ceremony Set Thursday

PORTLAND, April 30 (AP)—Customs of the Klamath Falls Marine Barracks will be turned over to the state of Oregon in a ceremony in the capitol at Salem at 1 p. m. tomorrow, the war assets administration office reported here today.

C. T. Mudge, regional director, E. W. Barnes, deputy in charge of real estate, and J. W. Hayes, special assistant to Barnes, will represent WAA at the turn-over.

Barnes said the state's possession would be effective tomorrow night although some final papers are still to be drafted.

The state is acquiring the wartime installation as a vocational school.

Longshoremen Desert Freighter

LONG BEACH, Calif., April 30 (AP)—The Norwegian Freighter Hardanger, deserted by longshoremen because she carried dynamite, headed for Valparaiso, Chile, today leaving part of her intended cargo on the docks.

L. B. Thomas, head of the CIO International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's union, pulled his crew off the vessel late yesterday, commenting "we don't want another Texas City here."

Portland Clerks Reject Wage Offer

PORTLAND, April 30 (AP)—AFL retail clerks have rejected a wage settlement offer of one of the two Portland groups of employers now negotiating a contract. E. J. Hawes, union spokesman said today.

Hawes said an offer of \$50 for a 40-hour week by the Independent Merchants' association was rejected. The union asks \$70 for 40 hours' work.

WEATHER
Max. (April 30) 57 Min. —33
Precipitation last 24 hours —.00
Stream year to date — 7.15
Normal — 10.09 Last year — 11.37
Forecast: Partly cloudy, warmer.

Local Union Quits Mass Picketing

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—Five unions of 43,000 telephone workers in New York and Pennsylvania called off strikes today, accepting contracts for wage increases of \$3 to \$4 a week.

None is affiliated with the National Federation of Telephone Workers—which called the nationwide tie-up April 7—but their actions aroused optimism among government labor conciliators for an early end to the strike of 300,000 NFTW unionists.

Joseph A. Beirne, president of the NPTW, said that it showed the Bell Telephone system's "solid wall of opposition to wage increases is crumbling."

National Settlement He made that comment in a statement as negotiations were resumed here aimed at bringing about a national settlement.

Beirne added that the NPTW's 39 unions "will maintain our picket lines until our entire dispute is settled."

A \$6 weekly wage increase was the chief demand made by the New York and Pennsylvania unions, as it is with the NPTW.

The 24th day of the telephone strike in Klamath Falls has been uneventful, and the mass-picketing tactics used by the telephone union yesterday were apparently abandoned today.

Only two pickets, both girls, were on duty at the 8th street door of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company building this morning, in contrast with the 35 who checked around the entrances yesterday morning.

There was no incident when 20 employees who have returned to work went into the building today. Yesterday only 19 went through the picket line.

SALEM, April 30 (AP)—Several carloads of striking Salem telephone workers went to Dallas and Independence today to stage mass picketing demonstrations before the telephone company offices there, Don K. Crenshaw, chairman of the Salem strike committee, said.

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Truck Driver Sustains Injuries

REEDSPORT, April 30 (AP)—John Van Went, driver of a truck and trailer which wrecked and burned yesterday on the Reedsport-Drain highway, was in a Coos Bay hospital today with serious burns.

Police reported the truck, operated by the Oregon-California-Nevada truck line, was discovered burning along the edge of the highway.

Medford Student Found Dead

BERKELEY, Calif., April 30 (AP)—The body of Robert Miller Tuttle, 24-year-old University of California sophomore from Medford, Ore., was found late last night hanging from a sheet in a clothes closet of his room.

The youth, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Tuttle, was a former army pilot.

Wind Wipes Out Towns In Three States

WORTH, Mo., April 30 (AP)—Tornado winds whipped through small towns in Arkansas, Missouri and Iowa leaving at least 21 dead today, injuring more than 50 and causing thousands of dollars in property damage.

Hardest hit was this northwest Missouri town with a population of 233. Thirteen persons were killed and approximately 45 injured. Only half a dozen buildings in the town were left standing.

At least eight persons were killed in Arkansas where vicious winds last night lashed the small community of Bright Water and nearby towns to Garfield, not far from the Missouri line.

A tornado also struck Clio, a town of about 200 population, in southwestern Iowa, causing extensive property damage. No loss of life was reported, however.

Wipes Out Town The local town that hit Worth swept through the center of the business district. Two of the town's three churches and its brick schoolhouse were among the buildings demolished. Practically every tree in town was clipped off.

The community was in darkness until late last night when a mobile generator arrived from a neighboring town. Both the Salvation Army and the Red Cross set up stations and homeless were being cared for.

Al Dopking, Associated Press reporter who also covered the recent Texas City, Tex., explosion disaster, described the devastation here as greater proportionately than that at the Texas town.

"There simply isn't anything left standing except a few homes at the south edge of town which the storm missed," Dopking said. "The center of town is wiped bare except for splintered wood, bricks and other debris."

A. Combs, a Worth mail carrier, said he doubted if the community would be rebuilt.

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House Slashes Foreign Relief

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—The house formally voted today to slash the administration's \$350,000,000 foreign relief fund to \$200,000,000 and placed tight restrictions on distribution of American relief in countries under Russian domination.

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London Strike Break Looms

LONDON, April 30 (AP)—About 1000 of London's 10,000 striking dock workers voted today to return to work tomorrow, and leaders of the other strikers planned meetings today to consider the labor government's back-to-work appeal.

The labor ministry, meantime, interwove to try to end a strike of 1000 city of London employees whose walkout halted garbage collections, delayed funerals, snarled city produce markets and closed the Tower of London drawbridge over the Thames, disrupting traffic.

Some 10,000 London dockers were out in sympathy with 3800 Glasgow dock workers, who quit March 24 because 500 fellow employees were declared "redundant" and released.

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Angles, curves, lines, and tubes make an interesting shot for this clock special as Austin Lewis, Main street service station attendant, pours oil in a car.