

STEEL PEACEFUL, COAL STORMY

Today's News

By FRANK JENKINS

At a prison forum held in a Salem church last night, Tom Humphrey, associate editor of the Oregon Journal, asserted that Oregon's state penitentiary has a completely wrong philosophy.

Our prison system, he said, is based on the idea of revenge and punishment. It should be based, he added, on the concept of REHABILITATION, so that prisoners can become useful to society after they are released.

He strongly inclined to agree with him. It has seemed to me for a long time that our prisons (as a general rule, not merely Oregon's) serve as crime schools out of which too many people come as graduates prepared for bigger and better things in the way of law-breaking.

I know that sounds like a cynical crack, but it is an opinion formed largely out of careful reading of the news from day to day over the years. You can't do that without becoming impressed by the number of REPEATERS.

It's a big problem, I know. The public attitude being what it is, how are men going to go straight after they come out of prison? Would you give a jailbird a job, on a fair and even basis with other employees? If you did, would those with whom he would work give him a fair break? Or would he be generally looked upon with the kind of suspicion and distrust that sour men and make them rebellious?

I can't help thinking that if we are to base our prison systems on the philosophy of rehabilitation, we shall have to change the public as well as the prisons.

Still, something ought to be done. Our prison system is a mess. I don't think anyone who follows the news intelligently can have much doubt of that.

We seem to have been inventing new ideas at a rather lively rate during the past few days.

In Portland a few days ago, Oregon members of the Associated Press asked Secretary of State Newbury to study whether tabulating machines (voting machines) should be used to speed up the election count and save a little money while getting the news to the public quicker.

Newbury says this morning he is tackling the study job.

BEING a newspaper man, I'm of course all for it. In our business we have a notion that news is a highly perishable commodity and must be got to the consumer at the earliest possible moment.

But I can't escape the thought that the way we make up our minds as to how we are going to vote is immensely more important to the future of Oregon than the way we count the votes after they are cast.

If we vote prayerfully and intelligently according to our best lights on every occasion when we are called on to vote, it won't matter much if we have to wait as much as a week to find out what happened on election day.

DURING the past few days I've run out on a couple of little stories about Oregon people that amused me greatly.

One concerns a Portland woman who spent last winter in Mexico City. She had her Oregonian mailed down to her every day. It cost her about four bits per day, as I heard the story, but that was all right with her.

She wanted to get the news straight, and she just didn't have any faith in any other newspaper.

THE other story was about a Northern Oregonian who went with a California friend to Fisher's Wharf in San Francisco. After looking over all the offerings at this greatest of all fish-eating centers in Western America, he ordered a fry of OLYMPIA OYSTERS!

TROOPS RETURN TACOMA, Nov. 14 (AP)—First of more than 15,000 men to return from autumn war maneuvers in the Hawaiian Islands, 110 men of the Second Division docked here today.



HARRY BRIDGES Under fire again

U. S. Charges Bridges Lied; Trial Opens

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14 (AP)—Longshore leader Harry Bridges goes on trial today on perjury and conspiracy charges stemming from his naturalization hearing in 1945.

Bridges, Australian-born president of the left-wing CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union, testified at that hearing he was not and had never been a communist. The government charges that statement was false.

Also charged two of Bridges' close union associates, German-born Henry Schmidt and Texas-born J. R. Robertson, conspired to defraud the government while witnesses at the hearing.

This is the first criminal action brought by the government against Bridges. But there have been previous attempts to deport him.

He was first accused of being a communist in the 1934 general strike. He underwent an investigation in 1936, but no hearing resulted.

In 1939 he went through a deportation hearing presided over by James M. Landis—then dean of the Harvard law school—as special referee. Landis said the immigration bureau failed to prove he was a communist.

Ordered Deported Another hearing was held in 1941 before Referee Charles B. Sears, who ordered Bridges deported. The immigration board of review, however, reversed the finding.

Attorney General Francis Biddle overruled the review board and the U. S. circuit court of appeals upheld the deportation order by a 3-2 vote. But the United States supreme court then freed Bridges by a 5-3 vote.

Mt. Shasta Youth Dies In Wreck

YREKA—A Mt. Shasta youth was killed instantly early Sunday when a car in which he was riding failed to make a curve on highway 99 just south of Mt. Shasta, and overturned.

Dead is Roland Richard "Ron" Pooley, 18, who played baseball with Mt. Shasta Eagles in the Northern California league. He was to have left Mt. Shasta Thursday for San Francisco to rejoin his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Pooley.

Young Pooley was an employee of the Mt. Shasta Pine Manufacturing company.

Three Injured Also injured were three other occupants of the convertible. Mrs. Bob Richards is in a critical condition in the Weed hospital, her husband and driver of the car was injured, as was Pete Georges. All are from Mt. Shasta. Neither Richards nor Georges was seriously hurt.

There will be a coroner's inquest. The remains will be sent to San Francisco Tuesday.

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New Ulcer Control Drug Shown

CINCINNATI, Nov. 14 (AP)—A new, synthetic, nerve-control drug, bantnine, is healing bad peptic ulcers. The results were exhibited for the first time to the Southern Medical association, which today began a four-day annual meeting.

This way of controlling stomach action is something new in the long search for ulcer remedies. The drug substitutes for the action of surgeon's knife on the stomach's control nerves.

In 20 cases all apparently healed. Some ulcers were perforating, that is eating holes, but X-rays show that these too healed.

Pain Stopped Eighteen patients were suffering severe ulcer pains. In all cases pain stopped a few minutes after the drug was given. It is taken by mouth every few hours.

The exhibit is from Duke university and the work was supported by a grant from the U. S. public health service. The work was shown by doctors Keith S. Grimson, professor of surgery, and Frank H. Longino and C. Keith Lyons, U. S. public health service fellows.

Bantnine is one of a score of new drugs tried at Duke for effects in blocking the nerves that control high blood pressure and stomach action. But it is not a blood pressure remedy.

Cause Unknown The cause of ulcers is not known. Doctors agree that contributing conditions are excess stomach acid, rapid stomach movements and probably overactive nerves.

Bantnine slows down stomach movements.

Chinese Reds Reported In Kweiyang

CHUNGKING, Nov. 14 (AP)—Private reports with every earmark of authenticity said the Communists occupied Kweiyang this afternoon.

Loss of this capital of Kweichow province 210 miles south of Chungking would split the Nationalist mainland holdings in two for all practical purposes.

Kweichow province lies between Chungking's Szechwan province and the Nationalist army in Kwangsi province to the southeast.

Afraid? The private sources said Kweichow was afraid, apparently set by retreating Nationalists, when the Reds began entering at 1:40 p. m. Earlier, Nationalist officials in this capital had denied loss of Kweichow, but telegrams to that point were being received.

Prince Charles Has Party

LONDON, Nov. 14 (AP)—Prince Charles celebrated his first birthday today by tossing a tea party for a few friends.

It was just a small affair. The royal family has a policy of keeping birthday celebrations pretty private. Among the guests were Charles' five-year-old cousin, Prince Richard, son of the Duke of Gloucester, and some little girls whose families have palace connections.

By express wish of the prince's mother, Princess Elizabeth, there was nothing even faintly resembling an official celebration.



INSTALLATION OF THE new mercury-vapor lights takes a lot of manpower and energy before the 88-unit system can be turned on as evidenced by this action shot of two Coppo workmen on Main street. Frank Nunnally in the plaid jacket watches J. Busick who operates from a power company truck.

Old Timer State's Antiquated Voting System May Be Overhauled

SALEM, Nov. 14 (AP)—Oregon's voting system might get its first overhauling since statehood 90 years ago.

Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury said today he is studying whether the state should have voting machines or modern business tabulating machines to count ballots.

Oregon Associated Press members voted last Friday to ask Newbury and the legislature to study whether tabulating machines should be used to speed up the ballot counts and to save money.

Newbury said today he agrees with the newspaper publishers that Oregon's election system is many years behind the times.

The system of marking and counting paper ballots is just like it was when Oregon became a state. William M. Tugman, managing editor of the Eugene Register-Guard, has been campaigning for years to get the system modernized.

Chute Jumper Takes Long Web Glide

GRANTS PASS, Nov. 14 (AP)—He soared through the air with the greatest of ease.

Not on a flying trapeze, but hurtling from an airplane at 8000 feet, Bob Noland manipulated his webbed nylon webbing so that he glided 300 yards against the wind in a "batman" test staged Saturday from Seals pasture near the Redwoods ranger station of the Siskiyou forest south of Cave Junction.

Nolan is employed as a smoke jumper by the Siskiyou forest in the summer and his pilot, Eddie Scholz of Grants Pass, is a seasonal pilot in the same service.

Glide After Nolan leaped from the plane he used only the nylon webbing attached between his legs and another sheet fastened to his wrists and hips. By manipulating the webs, Nolan's weight made possible the horizontal glide of 300 yards in 4000 feet before his parachute was brought into final use for the descent's last portion.

Luxury Yacht Turns Over

ACAPULCO, Mexico, Nov. 14 (AP)—The costly yacht "Corsair," beached on the rocks here, fell over on her right side overnight.

Once the late J. Piermont Morgan's \$3,000,000 (M) pleasure craft, the 2600-ton yacht looks to seem more than ever like a total loss. Salvage experts and insurance appraisers are coming from Los Angeles to see what can be done.

Captain of the Port Arturo Pena Alfaro meantime continued today his hearing of officers and crew. He is trying to determine responsibility, if any, for the harbor shipwreck Saturday at 12:30 a. m. as the boat was starting on her return to Los Angeles with 48 passengers and 82 crew.

7 Injured In Local Car Wrecks

A series of traffic accidents over the week-end hospitalized seven persons here, the most seriously injured George Kern, 29, of Eugene.

Kern was thrown to the pavement when a car in which he was riding struck a cow near the Williamson river bridge of U. S. 97, and then had the animal thrown over him by a second car.

He was still in Klamath Valley hospital today with severe body injuries, but was reported improving.

Thrown Out State police said early last night a car driven by Chester Gundt of Eugene, traveling north, struck the cow in the road and careened into a guard rail at the bridge. Kern was thrown out and apparently knocked unconscious.

Seconds later an automobile driven by Cecil LeRoy Fox of Klamath Falls, a University of Oregon student, struck the cow, pitching the animal over and partly on Kern. The cow was badly injured and was destroyed by a state police officer.

The Fox car also struck but did not injure a calf on the highway, state police said.

Gundt and a second passenger, Dick Thein of Eugene, were shaken up and Thein was treated at the hospital for cuts and bruises. They were brought into town by Kaler's ambulance.

Fox and his wife, Patricia, were injured. Gundt, 24, was given a ticket for having no operator's license.

Ankle Fracture In an accident at Shasta way and Gary Saturday night, James K. Berrell, 2518 Shasta way, received a compound fracture of the right ankle and was brought to the hospital.

State police said a car driven by Harry Arthur Warden, 1735 Gary, had stopped while a passenger, Lloyd G. Reed, 1535 Gary, was getting out and Berrell's car smashed into the Warden sedan from the rear.

Reed was shaken up by the impact and was brought to the hospital for examination.

Shortly after noon Sunday Sherman Baker, 47, of Venita, Ore., suffered a broken collarbone and other minor hurts when his car and trailer went over a 50-foot embankment on U. S. 97 1/2 miles south of Macdoel.

Trailer Whip Baker was traveling north bringing a load of household goods on a two-wheel trailer. He said the trailer began whipping, causing him to lose control of the car.

A Saturday afternoon three-car crash on S. 6th resulted in arrest of two men by state police. Benjamin Brown, Malin, was getting following too close behind another car, and Leo Lowe of Klamath Falls for having no operator's license.

Orval McPadyen was driver of the third car in the crash. No injuries resulted.

Mrs. Edith Cole, 56, Chiloquin, remains in a critical condition at Klamath Valley hospital, and her 9-year-old grandson, Edward Cole, is somewhat improved following injuries received when the Cole car shot off highway 97 just north of Wocus early Saturday afternoon.

GOPs Stronger, Says Unander

ROSEBURG, Nov. 14 (AP)—Despite democratic hopes to erase the republican majority in Oregon, the GOP has increased its majority in the state by more than 50 per cent in the past 12 months, said State Republican Chairman Sigfrid B. Unander of Portland here Sunday.

According to Unander, a "democratic spokesman" recently stated that "all the democratic party needs for an Oregon victory is to erase the 12,000 republican majority in the state of a year ago and get out some good candidates."

Unander asserted that Clackamas and Linn counties have changed to republican majority counties and that the stature of candidates who foreseeably will be nominated in the 1950 primary elections by the republicans appears to be "more impressive" than those of any other group.

Oregon Prison Policy Rapped

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Humphrey declared that the philosophy of the prison is based on revenge and punishment, and that it should be based on rehabilitation so that prisoners can become useful to society after they are released.

An overflow crowd of more than 200 persons attended the forum in the First Congregational church.

Coal Industry Giving Lewis Cold Shoulder

Most of the country's steel firms rushed preparations today for resumption of full production after a long and costly strike but all was not peaceful in the coal dispute.

John L. Lewis' miners were digging coal but he has threatened to have them quit work December 1 if the operators and his United Mine Workers fail to agree on a new contract.

There was no scheduled meeting between Lewis and the soft coal operators. Cyrus S. Ching, the government's chief mediator, had arranged a meeting last week after Lewis suspended the 52-day-old strike for three weeks. But Lewis did not show up. A Lewis aide said the UMW chief would be in Washington Monday "awaiting the convenience of the coal operators."

West Berlin Pledges Fight Against Reds

BERLIN, Nov. 14 (AP)—Berlin's anti-communists promised U. S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson today they will resist Soviet encroachment.

Admonished by the American secretary to fight for their own liberty if they want continued U. S. support, 11 West Berliners answered through their mayor, Ernst Reuter:

"We are fully aware here in Berlin that your great nation is back of us. We know we can rely on you and you can rely on us. You promised me on my visit to the United States that you would visit Berlin, and you kept your word. I guarantee you that Berliners keep their word, too."

This pledge was voiced in the battered old city hall in West Berlin, thronged with German officials to receive Acheson on his one-day visit here. Acheson was concluding his visit to Europe, which entailed a two-day meeting of the Western foreign ministers in Paris and a four-day visit to West German cities. He leaves by plane tonight for Washington.

Couple Wades To Death In Heavy Surf

HALF MOON BAY, Calif., Nov. 14 (AP)—A middle aged Belmont couple waded hand in hand to death in the surf near here just at sunset yesterday. A score of horrified but helpless witnesses looked on.

The two were identified by San Mateo county deputy sheriffs as Myrtle M. Porter, 47, and Ted Yelle, 50.

Deputy Sheriff James Beatty said the pair dined at Martin's Beach, a small tavern and restaurant on the edge of a low cliff, Ed Watts, owner of the tavern, said the couple had a number of drinks and then ate a fish dinner.

Tragic Strife Later they announced they were going for a stroll on the beach to watch the sunset. At about 5 p. m. one of the diners reportedly noticed they were wading into the ocean fully clothed.

As all the occupants of the tavern crowded to the window, the two waded directly out into the path of the setting sun and were finally engulfed by heavy waves.

State Highways In Good Shape

SALEM, Nov. 14 (AP)—All Oregon highways are in good condition, the state highway commission said today.

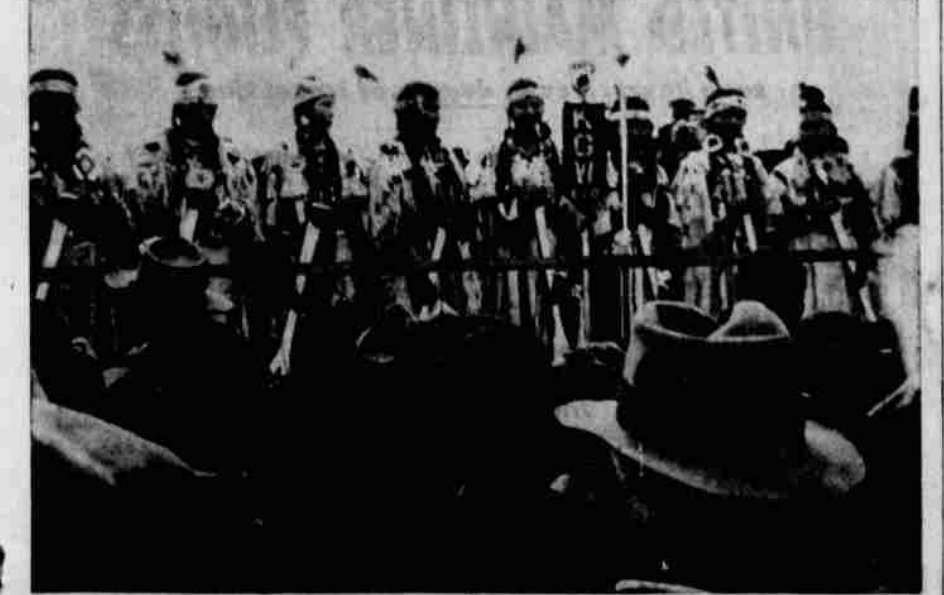
There is new snow in the mountains, but all pavement is cleared of snow and ice.

Bad Weather, Many Wrecks

PORTLAND, Nov. 14 (AP)—A foggy, rainy week-end brought Portland an amazing total of 194 traffic accidents.

Only on double holidays or Christmas week-ends have there been so many.

There were no fatalities, however, and only two serious injuries. Evelyn Beck, 26, Clackamas, and William J. Emerson, 11, Portland, were seriously hurt in a collision last night.



PRINCESS NAOMI WINISHUT, (just left of microphone) and her court ruled over the opening of the Warm Springs highway route opening Sunday. A crowd numbered in the thousands attended the opening, held at the Mill Creek bridge just north of the town of Warm Springs. Senator Guy Cordon was the speaker for the day.



Meet the People KLAMATH COUNTY ASSESSOR Otis Metsker walked into the lens line on Main street this morning.