

REDS STEP UP AIR ACTIVITY

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

I ran into this startling piece of information in the Wall Street Journal the other day.

The American people are now spending about \$2 billion dollars a year for food. They are spending about \$7 billion dollars a year for federal taxes.

Question: Since taxes enter into the cost of everything we produce, how can prices help being high when the cost of federal taxes exceeds the cost of the food we buy?

Another question: How can we EVER hope for lower prices if taxes keep on going up and up and up?

One more question: How can we stop the extravagant spending that is the basic cause of ever-increasing federal taxation?

About the only way I can think of is to vote the spenders out of office. If we go on RE-ELECTING them, they can hardly be blamed for thinking that extravagant spending and extravagantly high taxes are what we want.

There was a time when most of us regarded money from Washington as in the same category as manna from heaven. So far as we knew then, it just fell out of the skies and didn't cost anybody anything.

We're getting wiser. We're learning that money that comes from Washington comes first out of somebody's pockets. There isn't any other place for it to come from. What happens is that we send our tax money to Washington. Washington takes it out of our pockets, and we finally get back considerably less than we sent.

Our relatively small state of Oregon, for example, sends to Washington in taxes approximately twice as much money as it gets back from Washington in the form of federal spending.

A large part of our present spending, of course, is unavoidable, because it goes for military preparation to meet communist aggression. Self preservation is the first law of life, and if we are to preserve our lives and our liberties we must have weapons with which to meet and defeat our enemies if they attack us. But, as one small citizen, I have the feeling that our spending for military purposes is perhaps as extravagantly carried on as all of our other spending has been in recent decades.

This will continue as long as the spirit of extravagance rules our federal government. I'm afraid this spirit of extravagance will continue as long as we go on re-electing to office those who have been doing the extravagant spending.

Bay City Jury Eyes Tax Case

SAN FRANCISCO, (U)—San Francisco's holdover grand jury is getting ready to wind up its affairs after hearing from the youthful prosecutor who seven months ago started its probe of the local bureau of internal revenue and wound up in trouble with his superiors.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles O'Gara was cloistered with the jurors a half hour yesterday. Later, Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert McMillan, who replaced O'Gara on the case, told reporters the grand jury hoped to finish the investigation Thursday.

O'Gara appeared in the role of a witness under subpoena. Last May he launched the investigation that was taken off the case after a federal judge rebuked him for "improper procedure."

Later it was disclosed U.S. Attorney Chauncey Trammello recommended O'Gara's dismissal.

Meanwhile, O'Gara had told the U.S. senate finance committee he had learned of corruption in the San Francisco federal tax office after O'Gara, the grand jury called Charles P. Masarik, Jr., who last week replaced James G. Smyth as northern California collector of internal revenue. Smyth was fired by President Truman for failure to manage his office properly.

Masarik was with the jurors an hour and a half.

Reds Stall Over Truce Talk Plans

MUNSAN, Korea, (U)—The United Nations command accused Communist truce negotiators today of stalling talks to gain political objectives through the back door.

The accusation came in a broadcast to Korea after a subcommittee spent two and a half futile hours at Panmunjom wrangling over the meaning of Red proposals for supervising an armistice.

A "voice of the United Nations command" broadcast from Tokyo said the Communist proposal to freeze troops in Korea during an armistice was a ruse to accomplish the Reds' earlier demand for withdrawal of all foreign troops. The Red plan would prevent any replacements. The broadcast said: "If a soldier left Korea because he became ill, or was injured, or if his term of enlistment expired or if he were rotated, he would thus be removed from Korea."

POLITICAL AIM

In that manner, the broadcast said, the Communists would achieve their political end of having foreign troops withdrawn before a peace is signed.

Attacking other phases of the Red plan for supervising the truce, the broadcast said: "The Communists have indicated that they still are more interested in building airstrips for war than in rebuilding the country for peace."

The radio described the Red proposal for supervision only at "ports of entry" as a move to bypass any real inspection.

U.N. command negotiators at Panmunjom spent half of Wednesday's session trying to find out what the Communists meant by "ports of entry."

"We still don't know," said Col. Howard Levie, U.N. command spokesman.

Ports of entry are the only spots where the Reds will agree to supervision against a military buildup. And they insist the supervision must be by neutrals.

Identifying their idea of neutrals Wednesday for the first time in truce talks, Red negotiators mentioned Communist Poland and Czechoslovakia. They also agreed, under U.N. questioning, that non-Communist Switzerland, Denmark and Sweden were neutrals and acceptable. This was reported in a U.N. command communique.

Huge Waves Batter Ship

SAN FRANCISCO, (U)—The Matson Steamship company said today that the ship, the *Matson*, was cracked open in a terrific storm last night off the Oregon coast.

But Sierra captain Harold Ferris radioed that the ship was not in danger and would arrive off Coos Bay, Ore., about 1 p.m. (PST) today.

A company spokesman said the ship, a C-3 freighter in the Australian service of Oceanic Steamship Co., a Matson subsidiary, was severely battered by gales which lashed the Oregon coast.

When the vessel, bound from Grays Harbor, Wash., to Coos Bay, began groaning and creaking in the towering seas, hourly inspections were made of the hull.

Early today, crewmen found the crack. It extended from the No. 3 hatch, aft of the superstructure, across the deck and 10 feet down the ship's side.

Captain Ferris said he did not require assistance. The course to Coos Bay, he radioed, was the best one possible for the ship.

Storm Closes Two Schools

As the storm blew itself out today, the basin appeared to have weathered its first big bout with winter in good shape.

No serious mishaps have been reported.

All schools except Chiloquin and Bonanza were operating today; trains and buses were on normal schedules; electric and telephone line crews were mopping up yesterday's troubles.

All highways were open but state police were advising use of chains.

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Second Storm Said Coming



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Unusual Verdict In Damage Suit

SAN FRANCISCO, (U)—Verdict in an auto accident damage suit: To Daryl Honey, 5, and his brother Dwayne, 3, 50 cents each.

To the elder Honey—\$1200.

The boys' awards, unexplained by the jury, were said to be the smallest damage settlement in San Francisco court history.

"One of the most unusual verdicts I ever heard," said Superior Judge Eustace Cullinan Jr.

Bennett Presses Pinball Battle

PORTLAND, (U)—J. E. Bennett, Portland city commissioner, thinks Gov. McKay should force the liquor commission not to license Portland taverns where pinball machines are in operation.

In a letter to the governor yesterday Bennett cited a ruling from the attorney general which indicated the machines are illegal. (A second opinion said the liquor commission has power to exercise its own judgment in the matter.)

The city council has refused to recommend licenses for Portland taverns which permit the machines. License recommendations are forwarded to the liquor commission for final action.

Bennett told McKay that it was his duty as governor "to see that all commissions appointed by you attend themselves in an orderly or legal manner."

Copco Contract On River Before Board To Seek OK For Further Development

By WALLACE MYERS

The controversy over the California Oregon Power Co.'s plan for a big hydroelectric development on Klamath river popped back in the news late yesterday as the proposed contract extension before making a formal decision.

Copco's stand in the matter is that there is going to be enough water for both Big Bend and the farmers.

Many agriculturalists are wary of that contention. In the background, for instance, is the oft-told future irrigation of the Butte valley area; some feel Copco's plan might conflict . . . Copco thinks not.

It seems almost certain at this point that unless the big bout of this light card is cancelled by orders from higher up, the principals will be the reclamation bureau and Copco.

The fish and wildlife service may be in the reclamation bureau's corner; whether the state and federal power commission's will be Copco's seconds remains to be seen.

Just when the big bout might get under way is problematic . . . But yesterday's parley here, the battlers progressed to the point of climbing in the ring and shedding their bathrobes.

Insurance Men Still Striking

PORTLAND, (U)—A strike of AFL insurance agents continued today against Prudential Life insurance offices in this area, but a company spokesman said business was nearly normal.

Russell W. Harrison, district manager, said 41 of 77 agents in the area did not join the strike, and that policy collections were nearly normal in the area from Longview, Wash., to Eugene, Ore.

Coast Takes Worst Of Beating

PORTLAND, (U)—The Pacific northwest coast, battered yesterday by a gale that took four lives in Oregon and Washington, girded for another storm today.

Yesterday's winds, recorded at 74 to 75 miles an hour, caused the deaths.

Two men were killed when a tree toppled on their car near the coastal city of Reedsport, Ore. Another was fatally injured when a tree crumpled a shed at Junction City. The fourth man died at near-by Vancouver, Wash., when a gust of wind tipped his pickup truck. He was crushed as he tried to jump clear.

The dead: Charles Grivis and Salvador Nunez, killed near Reedsport; J. Harper, 54, Junction City; John A. Boyle, Portland.

The storm struck at dawn yesterday, knocking out telephone lines and making communication with coastal areas difficult. Amateur radio operators and radio stations supplied reports of the mounting damage.

Here is the picture of damage: **BRITISH COLUMBIA**—The pounding winds pushed high tide through a dike near Vancouver. Some 3000 acres were flooded and farmers said they might have to slaughter their cattle as most of their winter feed was lost.

WASHINGTON—High tides flooded basements of homes and shops. An airport at Port Angeles was under two feet of water for a time. Dikes broke in the Tacoma area flooding pastures. Water-front business houses moved to the second floor as tidewaters lapped the streets.

Another storm appeared late last night east of the Cascade mountains. The barometer dropped to a record low in the Walla Walla area and 76 mile an hour winds were reported. Walla Walla is about 200 miles from the coast.

OREGON—Hardest hit was the Coos Bay area on the southern coast. Sixty-mile an hour winds ripped roofs off buildings, overturned mill structures and whipped storm-started fires. Damage was extensive but estimates lacking.

Transportation in some areas was at a standstill. Planes did not operate through the day. Trains and buses were delayed. The highway commission warned motorists to stay off timberland and highways because of falling trees.

The coast guard said no vessels were in difficulty off the coast. A number of ships were held inside the Astoria harbor at the mouth of the Columbia river, though.

The weather bureau forecast 50-mile an hour winds off the Oregon coast for today.

Vet's Bonus To Be Fought

SALEM, (U)—The group of Benton county citizens who want repeal of Oregon's world war veterans bonus explained today that their main objection to the bonus is having it financed by a property tax.

An organization, called "no property tax bonus committee of Benton county," has filed a preliminary petition for an initiative measure. It would repeal the bonus at the general election next November.

The committee, of which Howard L. Ball of Corvallis is president, said today the bonus would be a "20-year property tax ball and chain on all young families that are establishing home or businesses."

It suggested that the voters repeal the bonus, and then ask the 1953 legislature to pass a new bonus by using other revenue.

The bonus was passed by the people a year ago. Payment has been delayed by a federal ruling that the bonus is inflationary.

Scott Valley Ranchers Die

YREKA—Bodies of two Scott valley ranchers, Fred Browne and Robert Dillman, were found by a search crew late this morning on an Etina Big creek sandbar, one mile south of Etina.

The Sixtyville sheriff's office said the two men had drowned when a pickup truck went through a bridge guard rail and plunged into the rain-swollen stream.

The accident is believed to have happened early Tuesday morning while the two men were returning to their homes from Etina.

Browne, 50, is survived by the widow, Madeline, and two small sons.

Dillman, 35, also left a widow but no children. Mrs. Dillman is Browne's niece, the former Laverne Timmons.

Both the men operated ranches in Scott valley near Callahan.

Budget Plans Call For 143 U.S. Air Wings

WASHINGTON, (U)—Defense Secretary Robert Lovett said today the budget plans for next year call for an air force of 143 wings. The present force is about 90 wings.

Of the new force, 136 would be combat units, (bombers, fighters, reconnaissance and other types) and 7 would be troop carrier wings for air lifting ground combat and paratroop units.

In answer to news conference questions, Lovett said the 143 wings as a basis for preliminary estimates, the national security council and the defense department had used a \$45,000,000,000 figure as a starting point for working on the 1953 fiscal year budget.

But he emphasized that actually there is yet no fixed floor or ceiling on the military budget request to congress, which still must have final approval by the White House and budget bureau.

Santa Claus To Arrive In City Friday

Roy Murphy, president of the Klamath Merchants association, received the following telegram this morning:

MR. ROY MURPHY, PRESIDENT, KLAMATH MERCHANTS ASSOC., KLAMATH FALLS, OREG. TELL THE CHILDREN OF THE KLAMATH BASIN THAT MRS. CLAUS AND I HAVE COMPLETED OUR WORK IN THE TOY SHOP AND I'M HEADED YOUR WAY. WILL TRAVEL BY PLANE THIS YEAR TO SAVE DUNDER AND BLITZEN FOR LOCAL DELIVERIES. WILL ARRIVE AT THE KLAMATH AIRPORT AT FOUR FRIDAY AFTERNOON. MEET US. TELL ALL GOOD BOYS AND GIRLS TO MEET ME DOWNTOWN FRIDAY NIGHT.

Murphy said that there had been many inquiries as to why Santa didn't arrive Nov. 23.

"Santa was busy finishing up his toys then. We've been expecting to hear from him, and will see to it that he's appropriately escorted to town from the airport. We're sure that he'll have treats for all the children."

Wardens Draw Game Fines

Two temporary Tulelake refuge employees, one of them with game law enforcement powers, have pleaded guilty to taking too many male pheasant in Judge Lee Chase's Dorris justice court.

F. Bruce Kelly, temporary appointee maintenance man at the refuge with temporary powers of a warden, was fined \$25 for taking three pheasant. Refuge Mgr. Tom Horn today said Kelly was no longer with the fish and wildlife service.

The other employee, Jerry Watson, paid a \$50 fine. Watson, a research worker has work which will terminate December 24, Horn said.

The refuge manager said final clearance on the cases was made last night though the shooting took place November 26.

Horn called the incident regrettable, but added that the fact Kelly was no longer with the service indicated the federal office's policy on such situations.

"The men were handled just as though they were any other law violators," Horn said.

Early published accounts of the incident reported both men were wardens. Horn pointed out neither actually were, though one did have a warden's powers temporarily.

Ships Collide Off Canada Shore

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C. (CP)—The 416-ton coastal freighter Island Prince collided early today with the fishparker Chilco Lake in the narrow Greenville channel, 60 miles south of here.

The 14-man crew of the Island Prince was taken off by another fishparker, the North Isle, while the eight-man crew of the Chilco Lake was taken aboard the fishparker Hesquiah. No one was injured.

The Chilco Lake was beached to prevent her sinking. The Island Prince, with a jagged gash in her port side, was still afloat. Other boats kept watch on her.

Cause of the collision was not immediately known.

The rescue boats headed for Prince Rupert.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity and northern California: Light snow flurries, clearing and colder tonight. Low tonight 17, high tomorrow 33.

Precip last 24 hours . . . 28

Precip since October 1 . . . 5.65

Same period last year . . . 8.96

Normal for period . . . 3.94

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SHOOTING HOURS

December 6

Open 6:31 a.m. Close 3:35 p.m.



EVEN AS YOU AND I, Ralph Dunlavy, 3933 Clinton, has snow trouble. Above, he is clearing the ways at his service station.

500 Bodies Found In Volcano's Ash, 2000 Feared Dead In Philippine Blast

MANILA, (U)—The Philippine news service tonight said more than 500 bodies had been recovered from the ash-strewn slopes of Hibok Hibok volcano on Camiguin island in the southern Philippines. The volcano erupted twice yesterday. It still spouted smoke and flames today.

Gov. Paciencia Ysalina of eastern Misamis province, who came from nearby Mindanao island to take charge of rescue and evacuation, estimated that 2000 may have died in yesterday's first eruption, which witnesses have called an atomic-like blast.

Neither the governor's estimate nor the news service's figure had confirmation.

Red Cross director of disaster relief, Dr. Joaquin Canuto, radioed headquarters that the dead were being cremated or buried as fast as they were found.

He said injured were being sent from the stricken northern section of Camiguin to Mahinog on the southern coast of the island for treatment for scalds and burns.

Volcanic heat began subsiding and rescue workers were able to penetrate deeper into the ash and lava area.

The Philippine news service said 10,000 of Camiguin's 45,000 residents had been evacuated to safer areas.

Constabulary and volunteers stood guard in the hard hit area to maintain order and prevent looting.

Manila Times correspondent Benigno Aquino quoted Philippine air force Capt. Pedro Los Banos that smoke was still rising from fissures and gray soil in a nine square mile area on the volcano slopes.

"Coconut trees still are neatly spaced in the area," the officer was quoted, "but denuded of fruit and leaves."

"The soil has turned from a rich brown to ghostly, smoldering gray. There is no sign of life in the devastated area and what looked like former villages and hamlets now are devoid of any form of existence."

Hibok Hibok's crater was still invisible late Wednesday, shrouded by low, dense clouds of smoke. The volcano issued a second