

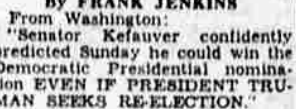
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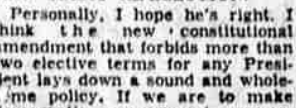
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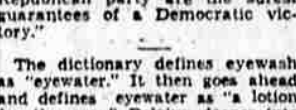
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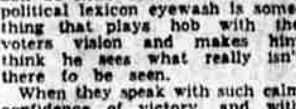
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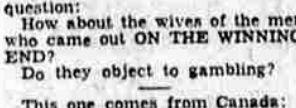
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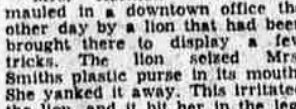
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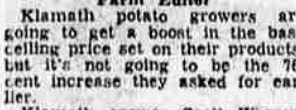
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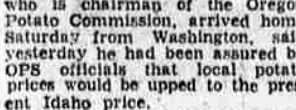
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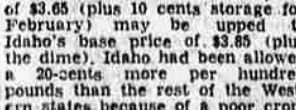
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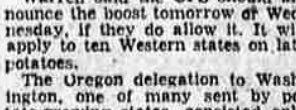
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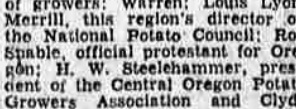
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New England Gets Storm

Forum On Industry Set Tonight

One member of tonight's "Build the Basin" forum panel, Hal Geiger of the CIO Woodworkers, has had to cancel his appearance on the KFLW radio show. Over the weekend he came down with the mumps. Geiger was to have presented the viewpoints of organized labor regarding the forum topic: "How Can We Attract New Industry to the Klamath Basin?" The program will originate from KFLW studios at 8:30 and will be entirely unpreheated, with the exception that members of the panel are to be at the studio at 8 o'clock to arrange for introductory statements at the beginning of the program. On the panel will be L. W. Rothenberger, Hercules Powder Company; Dick Henzel, Tulana Farms; George P. Davis, Lorenz Company; Russ Tisdale, First National Bank; Vic Schoonover, Great Northern; and George W. Morgan, Southern Pacific. Bud Chandler, KFLW manager, will be moderator. The program is the fourth in the station's "Build the Basin" series of programs dealing with local topics of the day. Listeners may put questions to members of the panel while the show is in progress by phoning 8111, The Herald and News.



PLENTY OF HELP—Three lifeguards pull Carl Winkler (in life jacket) out of the Pacific Ocean after a boat, from which he was setting lobster traps, capsized off White Point near Los Angeles. A. L. Putnam (not shown) swam out to the floundering Winkler and kept him afloat until lifeguards John and Leonard Olguin (left) and Leroy Overacker (right) arrived to complete the rescue. Another fisherman with Winkler reached shore under his own power.

Utah Region Whipped By Winds, Snow

By The Associated Press Three storms which brought the country a wide variety of weather over the week-end converged Monday, boding high winds and rain for New England. One had whipped up a blizzard at Colton, Utah, Saturday that took three lives, and blanketed the center of the continent with rain, light snow and freezing drizzle as it moved east. A second sucked dust thousands of feet into the air over much of Texas before settling it with rain, and moved on over Arkansas into Tennessee. A third, with winds ranging up to 75 miles an hour, lashed the Atlantic coast and drove a 2,500-ton freighter aground off Cape Hatteras, N. C., as it took a northeastward course paralleling the seaboard. The result was rain over the Middle Mississippi and Ohio Valleys, Southern and Eastern Great Lakes region, and most of the Middle and North Atlantic states. The blizzard near Colton, Utah, Saturday stalled more than a dozen automobiles and when highway crews reached them Sunday, three occupants of one buried car were dead of carbon monoxide poisoning. Great clouds of red dust, swept up from drought-stricken plains of Western Texas, blotted out the sun Sunday. The dust cut visibility three-quarters of a mile in eastern parts of the state before rain washed it away. Twenty six crewmen of the stranded Panamanian freighter Midget abandoned her in lifeboats after the ship ran onto a sandbar, nearly a mile from nearest land off Cape Hatteras. They reached Portsmouth Island safely. The Coast Guard fought a losing battle throughout the night, in an attempt to reach the Midget. Rains brought the threat of more flooding along the Ohio River in Kentucky and Ohio. The Weather Bureau at Cincinnati said the river level above flood stage, but 2.2 feet below last week's crest. The situation was similar at Louisville. The river stage was 4.8 feet above flood stage and another 7.7 rise was predicted. But this would still be about one and a half feet below the danger point.

Hot Council Meet Looms

One of four resolutions slated to come before City Council tonight is liable to cause considerable controversy. It is a resolution to place before the voting public in May primaries the proposition of placing Park Commission authority in control of the Council. Under the City Charter the Park Commission is an independent organization unlike the Recreation Committee whose authority stems from the Council. Other ballot title resolutions scheduled for Council consideration tonight at 7:30 p.m. include: Whether the Mayor's salary should be increased from \$175 to \$500 a month. Whether a half mill levy should be assessed for seven years to raise \$150,000 for a proposed municipal swimming pool. Whether a three mill levy should be assessed yearly to provide funds for a municipal restroom. If approved all these resolutions would result in placing the propositions before the voting public in May 16 primary elections. The Council will be meeting in temporary Municipal Court quarters while the Council Chambers are being revamped.

Theater Quits Business Here

The Pine Tree Theater, operating since July, 1950, under ownership of Al Adolph, was closed yesterday. The building has housed a theater from 1920 until August, 1949, and was then dark until Al and Rex Adolph took it over in 1950. In recent weeks vaudeville shows had been booked at the Main street show house. The location is owned by the Moore estate, Charles L. Moore, Dr. Ralph W. Stearns and T. B. Watters.

Mud Closes Newell School

TULELAKE — Mud is playing havoc with transportation on many of the county roads in this area with most of the difficulty being localized East of Drain 10 and in the Newell district. School Newell is closed until conditions are improved according to an unofficial report this morning. Classes were not held Friday and buses that usually bring high school students from that district to Tulelake did not make the trip today. Mail carriers on the two rural routes, Earl Heck and Tim Holland are finding travel increasingly difficult as melting snow cuts through surfacing. Holland is driving a jeep. Both report being pulled with tractors and some farm residents are driving farm vehicles to meet carriers and distribute mail.

These Guys Are Now Going Short

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The wives of 14 Philadelphia men are going to receive unopened pay envelopes after this, due to a ruling of Magistrate Samuel Clark. The magistrate pronounced that sentence on 14 men arrested during a raid of a luncheonette where police found three tables of poker going full blast. Inspector Albert DuBoise said the magistrate the luncheonette was raided on complaint of some of the wives who didn't like the idea of their men coming home late and short every pay day. The luncheonette owner was held in \$300 bail for court.

TULANA LEASE

U.S. Interior Department officials in Washington told the Associated Press late this morning that there had been no action taken on the controversial Tulana Farms-Reclamation Bureau lease. The lease on 234 acres of Tule swamp land has been signed by Tulana and awaits either signing or rejection by the government.

CARTER FILES

Dist. Judge M. A. (Nick) Carter early this afternoon filed at the County Clerk's office for reelection. He was appointed to the post on death of Judge J. A. Mahoney early January of 1951.

Gunman Robs Grocery Safe

ROSEBURG (AP) — A grocery store chain manager reported a gunman held him up Saturday night and escaped with about \$200, after tying up the manager and another employee. The manager, Archie White, said the gunman forced him to open the safe, then forced him to tie up the other employee, Thurman Johnson. The gunman, described as 55 or 60 years old, then tied up White. Johnson later worked loose, and freed White.

Deputy DA Gets Mystery Beating

PORTLAND (AP) — James V. Collins, Multnomah County deputy district attorney, said he was attacked and beaten by at least two men as he arrived home early Sunday. Collins suffered head bruises and a sprained arm. He could not explain the attack. He said he was returning at the time of a party celebrating the election of Robert Elliott, Medford, as state Republican party chairman. No attempt was made to rob him, he said.

TULE WATER MEET

A meeting to discuss proposals to set up a farmer-controlled water district in the Tulelake Basin has been scheduled for 7:30 Tuesday in the Legion Hall. An election has been set for Mar. 11 to gain approval of the district.

Mental Patient Aboard Stinson Lost In Desert

A low overcast cleared late this morning permitting search planes to take off and seek missing private plane with three Boise, Idaho, men aboard, one of them a mental patient. Three small planes, piloted by Eldon Alt, Max Ment and Ed Scholer, took off from Municipal Airport here and more were expected to be in the air this afternoon. At Redmond, a McChord Field B-17 also took off on the search. A McChord Air Rescue team has been at Redmond since early yesterday waiting for a weather break. The missing plane, a Stinson Voyager, has been unreported since it gassed up and left Burns at 10:58 Saturday morning on a flight from Boise to Roseburg. Sen. Dean H. Walker, Independent, said a mental patient being taken to the Veterans Hospital in Roseburg, and a guard, Paul Peterson, 30. Lloyd Eason, Boise flying service operator and owner of the missing plane, told the Herald and News the guard had two pairs of handcuffs when the party left Boise but he did not know whether or not the mental patient was actually handcuffed. However, airport workers at Burns said when the plane gassed there later in the morning, DeBlais was in handcuffs. Only promising clue thus far to the missing plane's whereabouts was reported yesterday by persons in the Fort Rock area. They said a plane answering the lost Stinson's general description was observed flying west toward Roseburg and then making a 180 degree turn and flying back toward Burns. It is believed the pilot may have been trying to circle prevailing bad weather areas, gave up and decided to return to Burns. The Klamath Air Search and Rescue Unit has been assigned a search area in the Silver Lake and Beaver Marsh sections. With all available landing strips in that area covered with heavy snow, KASRU obtained special permission from the State Highway Department to land and take off from a section of Highway 31 near Silver Lake. A KASRU ground party set up a search base near the highway landing strip this morning. The missing Stinson's flight path from Burns to Roseburg should have been about 210 miles and the plane should have made the trip in something over two hours, Eason, the plane owner, said this morning.

Legislature Eyed For Funds Meet

SALEM (AP) — Deputy State Treasurer Fred Paulus advocated Monday a special session of the Oregon legislature to save the state from possible financial disaster. "Talking to the legislature's interim tax committee, he said a big tax bill could be passed at the special session and the bill then could be referred to the people at the general election next November. ASSURANCE That way, Paulus said the 1953 legislature would be assured of enough money to operate for the following two years. Sen. Dean H. Walker, Independence, senate tax committee chairman, said "what we fear is that the 1953 legislature might pass a tax bill, and then it would be referred by petition to the general election in 1954. If that occurred, we would have to operate without funds during the 1953-55 biennium." In Oregon, the legislature can't put an emergency clause on a tax bill. This fact leaves all tax bills wide open to the referendum. Paulus told the committee that the state might have to go on a warrant basis because it won't have enough revenue in 1953, unless new tax sources are found.

Solon Blasts Lake Bombing

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Welker, R-Idaho, protested Monday that use of Pend Oreille Lake in Idaho for Navy bombing tests would ruin one of the country's best trout fishing waters. Welker said he had learned that the Navy was planning "gigantic bombing tests" in the lake. He said he is asking the Navy to pick some other lake which "doesn't include the greatest trout supply in America." "I don't want to be in the position of interfering with the Navy in its proper tests," the senator told a reporter, "but I believe that, as a sportsman, I must object to the bombing of the world's most famous trout lake for the tests. They certainly can find a suitable lake in another area." Welker said he was "shocked" to learn the size of the explosive to be used over a long period. The tests, he said, would kill many fish and make the Northern Idaho lake "unfit for fishlife for many years to come."

Tribesmen Slay Fugitive Japs

MANILA (AP) — A police report Monday said fierce Mangyan tribesmen wielding spears and arrows killed 16 Japanese stragglers of World War II on a small islet southwest of Manila. The Mangyans hid in thick underbrush of the jungle covered islet and ambushed the Japanese when they returned from foraging for food. Fourteen Japanese were killed by spears in the first onslaught, the report said. Two who tried to run were brought down by arrows. The Japanese fought futilely with bayonets and swords. Their ammunition was corroded and useless. The islet is off the coast of Busuanga Island in the Calamian group about 175 miles southwest of Manila.

Tax Scandals Probe Starts

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Northern California Internal Revenue office, subject of probes by grand juries and state and federal officials, comes under the scrutiny of a special subcommittee of Congress Monday. Rep. King, D-Calif., said public hearings into the scandal-riddled tax branch will begin Monday afternoon and continue about two weeks. King's group is a unit of the House Ways and Means committee. Since the tax office first came under fire of the California Crime Commission, a year and a half ago, a dozen tax officers have been fired. Seven, including former Internal Revenue Collector James G. Smyth have been indicted on charges ranging from revealing confidential information to outsiders to misappropriation of funds. Smyth is accused of conspiracy to defraud the government.

READY FOR WORK at Howard's Cleaners, 925 E. Main, this morning were Ray Halbert, 2518 Applegate St., and Mildred Dillard, 1101 E. Main St.



Basin Potato Grower's Promised Price Boost to Match Idaho Ceiling

By MALCOLM EPLEY JR., Farm Editor Klamath potato growers are going to get a boost in the base ceiling price set on their products, but it's not going to be the 76-cent increase they asked for earlier. Klamath grower Scott Warren, who is chairman of the Oregon Potato Commission, arrived home Saturday from Washington, said yesterday he had been assured by OPS officials that local potato prices would be upped to the present Idaho price. That means that the base price of \$3.65 (plus 10 cents storage for February) may be upped to Idaho's base price of \$3.85 (plus the dime). Idaho had been allowed a 20-cent more per hundred pounds than the rest of the Western states because of a poor crop. Warren said the OPS should announce the boost tomorrow of Wednesday, if they do allow it. It will apply to ten Western states on late potatoes. The Oregon delegation to Washington, one of many sent by potato-growing states, consisted only of growers: Warren; Louis Lyon, Merrill, this region's director on the National Potato Council; Roy Stable, official spokesman for Oregon; H. W. Steelhammer, president of the Central Oregon Potato Growers Association and Clyde

Ward, a Baker grower. The Oregon and California delegations were the only ones composed only of growers. Warren said. He said the Oregon, California and Idaho delegations were the only ones claiming a differential at a grower level. Warren said there was more "politics than justice" in the setting of ceiling prices by the Office of Price Stabilization. He described the growers' case as it moved through the ranks of various departments, bureaus and officials during the recent hearings. The group met with other growers and dealers from spud growing areas everywhere in the United States for two days, pointing out discrepancies in the OPS act of Jan. 5 which became effective Jan. 19 and inflated ceilings, rolling back prices from five per cent in some sections to 31 per cent in the Klamath area. The official meeting with the OPS was on Jan. 18, Warren said, and ended with some results and concessions on a national level. It allowed the storage cost (10 cents per month) for February and March, a nickel for April and May; it allowed the increase in spread between the grower and retailer from 70 cents to 86 cents; it set up a fairer packaging charge and recognized army crates as es-

ablished shipping procedure, allowing a 70-cent increase there. Growers had asked for a \$1 increase. To get an OPS adjustment on the Western base price, it was necessary to get the United States Department of Agriculture to substantiate evidence offered by the delegation, and that the OPS be given new figures and recommend new changes be made. "Parity price (the point where the farmer gets a fair profit for what he sells in relation to what he buys) under the Defense Production Act," Warren said, "was set on a national level. It discriminated against the West and the long variety of potatoes—and especially against Oregon." After several sessions, the grower reported, the USDA agreed that the russet spud had been discriminated against and should be treated as a variety. In several sessions between the Oregon delegation and the OPS, Warren said, the price office intimated it would recognize the price differential which the russet had been receiving in the past and was substantiated by evidence presented by the growers and by the USDA. "We watched the case develop," Warren said. "It continued through the USDA and on up the ranks of

the OPS. It reached a high level where it was knocked in the head." He said the OPS promised that all 10 Western states would be put in the disaster clause along with Idaho. An OPS news release dated Feb. 1 seemed to back this up. "I hope this will happen," he said. "But we shouldn't pin too much faith on it. We were promised that all." The growers' official protest was filed Jan. 18 with the price office, and according to law must be allowed or denied within 30 days. It was filed backed by the evidence showing a 76-cent differential history in comparison with national parity. On Jan. 21, he said, the House Agricultural Committee held a hearing, procured through the Potato Council, which "helped tremendously in getting the nationwide revisions." It was pointed out in that hearing, Warren said, that potatoes were the first perishable crop to have the lid clamped on. "That was a result of the Administration's bargain with steel industry union officials who promised to hold off wage demands until all things they had to buy were placed under ceilings by the OPS.

"We don't object to checking inflation," Warren said. "But that check should be fair." It was evidenced at the House hearing, too, Warren said, that OPS met but once with the Potato Advisory Committee, and at that time it had drawn up no price ceiling order on spuds to be advised upon. It asked no advice later, he asserted, "des in co-ordinating with the committee had made at its one meeting." The hearing, Warren said, brought up the possibility that if too many other perishable foods were hit by similar OPS actions, a food famine may result next year. Even while the delegation was in Washington, Warren said other perishable food producers were sending delegations with protests against the controls on their products—many of them equally as vigorous as the potato protests. "The greatest hope in the future," he asserted, "lies in co-operating and coordinating with producers of other perishable foods. The Defense Production Act expires this June 30, but under the present administration there seems a good chance for its being renewed by Congress." However, he said, if the food producers combined forces they may have strength enough to have

perishable foods lifted from the ceiling price lists entirely or at least placed at a higher minimum base. "This must be given much consideration, and a decision reached on which one of these to ask for." Warren commended Oregon's Congressional delegation during the protest meetings, especially Sen. Wayne L. Morse, who he said presented the industry's case, got appointments with the right people and made a speech from the Senate floor. "When we left we had done all that's possible at the present time." The potato industry, he said, has been placed in a poor position in the East because of unfavorable publicity. "The OPS has the potato industry in a chaotic state, which suits their purposes." He said Eastern newspapers have featured the potato shortage and blackmarketing as complete justification for OPS ceilings to stop runaway prices. He said there will undoubtedly be a heavy force of OPS enforcement officials on the road soon. "There appears to be no relief in sight for the present crop to go any good. Fighting with local OPS officials will accomplish nothing, as they are carrying out the orders of the president."