

Counterfeiters Nabbed in Raid



CHICAGO (AP)—A multimillion-dollar international counterfeit ring, described as one of the biggest in the nation's history, was smashed Monday by Secret Service agents.

More than \$2,200,000 in bogus \$10 and \$20 bills were produced by the ring in the last four years, said Harry J. Anheier, chief of the Secret Service in Chicago.

Five Chicago men were seized and further arrests are expected, Anheier said. He disclosed that the phony \$10 and \$20 bills have turned up in cities throughout the United States, as well as in London, Paris, Rome and in other parts of the world.

Anheier said that approximately \$1,400,000 in counterfeit money has been circulated by the gang.

Federal agents also are investigating evidence that the gang may have been responsible for the counterfeiting of more than one million dollars in Cities Service Company bonds.

The FBI last Nov. 6 arrested three New York City men in connection with the sale of \$25,000 in fake bonds for \$7,125.

Two of the five men nabbed in Chicago are owners of a west side printing plant which was raided by the agents. They said the phony bills were printed in the plant, the Serras Printing Company, owned by James Serras, 36, and his brother, Samuel, 34. The agents seized a press and other equipment.

Also arrested was William Skally, 41, described by agents as an ex-convict and the top plotter and sales manager of the ring. They said he was nabbed after he accepted \$2,500 in marked bills from an undercover agent in return for 5,000 in bogus \$10 and \$20 bills.

Yanks Blast Two Enemy Ammo Nests

By SAM SUMMERLIN SEUL, Korea (AP)—American airmen Tuesday blew up two Communist ammunition dumps and razed two big supply centers, the U.S. Fifth Air Force reported.

The supply centers were less than 50 miles from Pannunjom, site of Korean truce talks. F-51 Mustang pilots said their bombs and rockets touched off fires that could be seen for miles.

Returning airmen said the two centers—near Sinmak and Namchom—were reduced to blazing ruins.

The ammunition dumps were blown up by marine F-4-U pilots. Altogether, the Fifth Air Force said the day's explosive attacks leveled almost 130 Red supply buildings and revetments and cut rail lines in 65 places. A total of 592 sorties were flown.

American F-86 Sabre jets exchanged fire with some Red jets out of a formation of 100 MIG-15s. The Air Force made no report of damage.

Night flying B-29 Superforts from Japan hit the Bunchon rail-by-pass bridge for the second time straight night. They blasted it with 80 tons of 500-pound bombs.

Other Allied warplanes darted through moonlit skies and reported to Communist trucks and eight box cars destroyed.

Carrier-based planes from the decks of the U.S.S. Valley Forge and U.S.S. Antietam cratered rails in more than 100 places Monday in the vicinity of Hungnam on the East Coast.

Fulltime Job For Mayor?

Duties of Mayor of Klamath Falls will be recognized as a fulltime job—salary of \$500 a month—by the city council, it is expected to approve at forthcoming balloting.

The City Council instigated measure was approved last night for placing on ballot title in the primary election.

Individual councilmen said the Mayor's duties now require fulltime attention and his current wages were insufficient at \$175 a month.

They hinted making the post a fulltime occupation at equitable compensation might eventually lead to institution of a city manager.

Another measure to face the voting public will be proposed unification of Recreation and Park Commission activities under one control.

Councilmen said this proposal has been brewing for a long time and is deemed necessary to bring greater use of the city's park and recreation facilities.

Other measures approved for placing to a vote included: A three-tenths mill levy yearly to raise funds for the community restroom.

A one and a half mill levy for seven years to raise \$150,000 for a community swimming pool.

Interest High in Industry Forum

By HALE SCARBROUGH For the fourth straight week public interest in topics of the "Build the Basin" forum—Monday night feature of KFLW and The Herald and News—has forced the program overtime.

Originally scheduled for an hour (8:30 to 9:30 p.m.), it has been extended half an hour each of the four times aired.

Last night's topic concerned attracting new industry into the Klamath Basin, and the panel members were George P. Davis, Lorenz Company; Lyle W. Rothenberger, Hercules Powder Company; Dick Hensel, Tulana Farms; George W. Morgan, Southern Pacific; Russ Tidale, First National Bank; and Vic Schoonover, Great Northern.

All are very possible, panel members agreed, and one member, George P. Davis, added thoughts on a sizable distributive and warehouse industry which he said will come because of Klamath Falls' excellent transportation facilities and its rather central location halfway between the larger cities of the coast.

Tax barrier Oregon tax rates are somewhat of a deterrent to industry, both panel members and the public seemed to feel, and Dick Hensel said the legislature should make a complete review of the state's tax structure to see what types of business are being kept out of the state by taxes.

He cited that Oregon has an 8 per cent corporation tax, while California has just a 4 per cent rate, and Washington none at all. Additional power, both panel members and the public stressed, is of utmost importance in getting new industry here, and the coming of Bonneville power next year may have a tendency to create more favorable power rates.

Lyle Rothenberger declared that industry needing a great amount of power couldn't locate here now and even after the Bonneville line comes in probably would prefer to locate nearer the source.

Both railroads serving this area maintain industrial development bureaus which offer information and planning for industries seeking locations in their territory, and those services, said George Morgan and Vic Schoonover, are available for use in a program of industrial development here. Morgan said the SP helped locate 550 new

Council Eyes Youth Problem

KUHS Parents-Patrons representatives, persistent in pursuit of Klamath's youth problem, got kind reception from City Council Monday night.

Mrs. Richard Kingdon, Parents-Patrons president, broached these two points to the council: Greater use of the Army as a recreation center.

Combining of Recreation Committee and Park Commission facilities under one authority for more uniform control and action.

Councilman Matt Finnigan, Council Armory Board representative, expressed favor of greater use of the Army, but explained the building was under dual control of city and county officials.

Mrs. Kingdon was invited to attend an Armory Board meeting Feb. 13 and explain her ideas to the joint group.

On unification of the Recreation and Park groups, Council members were particularly pleased with the Parents-Patrons viewpoint.

The council is currently sponsoring a resolution—passed in Council action last night—to place that proposition to a vote in May 16 primary election.

Leslie A. Marshall, 1933 Earle, member of the Parents-Patrons group, got approval of his idea for digging into the youth problem.

Britton First Entry In Race for Sheriff

Murray (Red) Britton today announced he will run for Klamath County Sheriff on the Democratic ticket.

He will go after that party's nomination in the May 16 primary. Britton currently holds the \$4,800 a year job by appointment, being selected by the County Court to succeed Sheriff Jack Franey, who died last month. He previously had been a deputy under Sheriff Franey three years.

Britton is the first person to announce for Sheriff, but the job is expected to attract a number of other candidates. Back in 1948, when Franey was elected, there were a total of 19 candidates listed on the primary ballots.

Red Britton is a native of Toppish, Wash., and has lived in Klamath County since 1931. He is 38 years old, married and lives at 402 Victory Dr.

NAMED EDITOR—John C. Owings, sophomore metallurgical engineering student at Colorado School of Mines, has been named assistant editor of The Oregidigger, student newspaper. He is the son of Mrs. Maude E. Owings, 115 No 5th.

Son Arrives, Papa Retires SALISBURY, Md. (AP)—William Shores and his wife had the name already picked out when their first baby was born. They wanted to call it William Shores, Jr. It was a girl.

So was the next one. And the next one. And the next one. Monday, 26 years and six daughters later, Shores gave birth to William Shores, Jr. 7 pounds and 12 ounces.

Said William Shores, Sr., 46-year-old pipe layer, "I can retire now."

KASRU Men Assist In Saving Trio

Three Boise, Ida., men who survived a plane crash in the snow-covered desert country northeast of Fort Rock, were brought out by a rescue party this morning and taken on to Bend where rooms in a tourist court had been prepared for them.

The men—Norman Bryar, 26, pilot; Fred DeBlais, 27, a mental patient; and Paul Peterson, 30, a guard—were not injured.

Bryar said blinding snow, cutting visibility to nothing, forced him to land the plane not long after the party had left Burns last Saturday morning. The Stinson Voyager was slightly damaged in landing in the deep snow. It tipped up and the propeller was broken and the propeller was broken.

The three were en route from Boise to Roseburg, returning DeBlais to the Veterans Hospital there. The plane dropped out of sight after leaving Burns.

SPOTTED Yesterday, after cloudy skies and snow had held up the search for better than a day, Lloyd Eason of Boise, operator of a flying service, spotted the craft from the air. He was flying with Max Menil and Ed Scholer of Klamath Falls, both members of the Klamath Air Search and Rescue Unit, all in separate planes.

Menil reported to the airport here the three men could be seen on the ground, and that there was a cabin nearby where they apparently sought shelter. Eason reported the location was 70 miles due west of Burns.

Eason dropped what food he had with him—a few candy bars and a piece of cake—to the stranded men.

A B-17 from McChord Field's air rescue unit, stationed at Redmond, then took the watch over the downed craft and its lights last night, lighting a ground party to the scene.

Former Basin Officer Dies

MERRILL—Word was received today of the death Monday at Sweethome of Ed Davis, long-time marshal of Merrill and constable of Tulelake Township. He is believed to have been 60 years old by friends living here.

Davis served most of the 30 years he lived in Merrill as a law enforcement officer and for a few months served as marshal of Sweethome. He had been a patient in a Portland hospital but had returned home shortly before his death.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, 2:30 p.m., at Lebanon. Mrs. Davis was employed at the postoffice here.

Group Plans Cancer Drive

The Klamath County unit of the American Cancer Society is now preparing for its annual crusade for funds, which comes in April.

Meeting of the county committee was held recently with Mrs. Clara Siegley of the society's state office, and discussion centered around lay education as to the danger of cancer which the organization works on by various information media.

The society reports that last year 27 persons died of cancer in Klamath County. Much has been done in a few months ago in air-educating the public against cancer, but the program must be persistent and continuous.

The local organization has been without leadership for several months since Mrs. Anne Laurent, who was commander, moved to California. But the committee as a whole is planning the work for the coming crusade.

Members of the committee attending the recent meeting included Mrs. Phil Brixner, Mrs. Vera Chase, Mrs. Kyle Morgan, Mrs. R. C. Whylal, Mrs. Keith O'Hair, and Dr. Gerald Cosgrove. Dr. Cosgrove is medical director of the county organization.



JUDGE CARTER Judge District Judge M. A. (Nick) Carter Monday afternoon filed his candidacy for election to the job he now holds.

Carter has been judge a little over a year. He was appointed Linkville Justice of the Peace in January, 1951, after the death of Judge Joe Mahoney, and his court last August was elevated to the rank of District Court.

The judicial election is to be non-partisan. Carter is a Republican.

More than one candidate for the \$4,500 a year office appears. County Clerk Charles Delap said, the names will go on a non-partisan ballot for the May 16 primary election. If Carter is unopposed the voting could be held over to the November general election.

Carter, 36, is a graduate of the University of Oregon law school and before appointment to the judicial position was affiliated with an abstract company here several years.

OPS Talk Set For Merrill

A Portland Office of Price Stabilization man, Henry Witte, is slated for an appearance tonight before potato growers, handlers and all other interested persons at the Merrill Recreation Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Scott Warren and Louis Lyon, Klamath growers just returned from Washington, D.C., where they attended sessions with OPS officials in an attempt to get regional adjustments on the potato price ceilings and rollbacks.

Warren was promised in Washington that Oregon spuds would get some relief from the present ceilings; he said the OPS assured him that 10 Western states would be raised to the Idaho premium ceiling, which has been 20 cents higher than the rest.

Witte has been in Central Oregon attending potato meetings.

Police Trap 2 Youngsters

PORTLAND (AP)—Two policemen headed for an East Side gun shop Monday night when they got a report that burglars were trying to break in there.

Death Claims Newspaperman

PRINEVILLE, Ore. (AP) Remy M. Cox, 54, long-time newspaperman, died unexpectedly at his home early Tuesday.

Following graduation from the University of Oregon, he worked successfully for the United Press; the Tampa, Fla., Globe; the Bend, Ore., Bulletin and for 12 years as publisher of the weekly Central Oregonian here.

Soviets Lose, U.N. Adjourns

PARIS (AP)—The sixth General Assembly of the United Nations adjourned Tuesday after voting a final overwhelming approval of the Western plan to postpone discussion of Korean political issues until an armistice.

President Luis Padilla Nervo of Mexico banged the final gavel at 2:14 p.m. after receiving tributes from Secretary General Tryve Lide and many leading delegates for his handling of the three months session.



MURRAY (RED) BRITTON

Eight Killed In Tenement

COLOGNE, Germany (AP)—A war ruined tenement collapsed Tuesday in the old inner city of Cologne, killing five children and three adults.

The building was due to be evacuated later Tuesday. Officials had pronounced it dangerous.

Police said poor families had squatted in the ruin without official permission.



DR. GERALD COSGROVE

Weather

FORECAST: Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California, fair through Wednesday with patches of morning fog. High Wednesday 41, low tonight 22.

High Monday 40, low tonight 22. Precip Feb. 4 19. Precip Feb. 5 9. Precip since Oct. 1 11.24. Normal for period 6.90. Same period last year 11.52. (Additional Weather on Page 4)



John C. Owings

9 O'clock Special

BRIGHT AND SMILING, Mrs. Marie Mitchell, hostess at the Winema Coffee Shop, was caught by the photographer this morning.