

ALL HIS LIFE Loy Barker, local Northern Life Insurance agent, has been cheated out of three birthdays out of four. so this morning he obligingly donned party accounterments to observe his 11th birthday. He's one of the very few Feb. 29 youngsters around



By FRANK JENKINS

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at the curb."

One for the book? Sure! Sure!

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But wouldn't this be a wonderful world if EVERYBODY was as
honest and dependable in the
pinches as this man Luvaas turned
out to be?

Another thought less pleasing:
Our ancestors walked because
they didn't have automobiles to
ride in. We of the present day are
finding that we have to walk because there isn't any place left to
park our automobiles,

Politics:
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As a soldier in uniform, HE and James Kirby, local manager and James Kirby, local manager both live here.

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His political backers in this cour try are aware of this situation and are worried about it. But Ike himself is DOING HIS DUTY IN EU-ROPE and keeping his mouth strictly shut on political matters—as a soldier in uniform MUST DO. If the situation in Western Enrope remains as critical as it is now. I think it can be taken for granted that we will hear nothing more from General Eisenhower about politics.

He is a good soldier and an honorable man whose conception of duty is that it is something to be done to the best of his ability—regardless of the cost to his own personal fortunes.

More Washington politics:
"Senator Russell of Georgia in entering the Democratic presidential race may have anatched the Dixle banner from Tennessee's candidate, Senator Kefauver.
"Moreover, Russell is seen AS A THREAT TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN himself if the President decides to run again."

As between Russell and Kefauver, there isn't much to be said at this moment and at this distance. They are both good men, and only one can be nominated.

But the fact that two good Democrats are willing to brave the President's ire and run for the Democratic nomination without his blessing is a political fact of very great importance.

great importance.
You've heard, probably of dynastic succession—which is a historically ancient scheme of royalty to REEP THE POWER IN ONE SET OF HANDS.

Well—
If each President CAN NAME
HIS SUCCESSOR, we shall have
DYNASTIC SUCCESSION right
here in the United States of America. Both Kefauver and Russell are

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Copco Worker

Electrocuted LAKEVIEW-A California-Oregon Power Company worker was killed instantly this morning when he ap-parently bumped his head on a line running into a 12,000-volt transformer at the Forest Products

He was Arthur Marion Weide man, 38.

Phil Quinsenberry, Copco manager at Lakeview, said Weideman was tightening a 110-volt line lead-ing into the time clock shed when accident occurred about 9:30 this morning.

Weideman had been employed by Copco here for five years. He leaves a widow and three children.

Dial Phones For Merrill

MERRILL — Manually operated telephones in the Merrill district will become history at 6 a, m.

Sunday.

Crews of the Columbia Utilities Company that have been working on the change over to the dial system for the past two months will cut over some 375 telephones used by urban and rural patrons and the community will fall into line with Tulelake, Malin and Newell that have been under dial for many months. Merrill is the last two in the Southern part of the-Klamath Basin to see the new system inaugurated.

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Merrill is now headquarters for switchboard operations for all the south basin towns. Exchanges in the other areas are automatic with all calls being handled here. A bus-iness office is open in Tulelake.

The Columbia Utilities Company which located here in 1929 operates exchanges at Bonanza and Lorella in this area, Eagle Point, Butte Valley, Oakridge and other small communities in the Rogue River Valley.

Edward Fuller Dies Suddenly

Edward D. Fuller, 45, died short-ly after arrival at Hillside Hos-pital this morning following a heart attack at his home, 1702 Crescent. Fuller was an appliance sales-man for Cascade Home Furnish-ings, working their since March 1, 1948.

Previously he had been employed at the California Oregon Power Company and after military serv-ice during World War II sold in-surance for a time.

He is survived by his mother, who lives in Portland; a son, Tom, Student at Oregon State College, and daughter, Suc. who is a student at San Jose, Calif.

How About This Setup, Girls?

VIENNA (A) — Hungarian women and girls are displeased with the mass production of scarlet red dresses for them, the Budapest newspaper Villagoosag reports.

At a recent conference in Buda-pest, dealing with deficiencies of ready-made clothes, the quality as well as the pattern of women's wear was the subject of severe criticism, the paper said.

The women not only objected to the mass production of scarlet dresses, they also complained that the patterns were allke, leaving them no freedom of choice.

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in the trial,

The elder McConnell, who has
seven other children, said his soldier son sent him a letter describing the events that led to his sentence.

In his letter, the father said, the soldier claims that he and four others were court-martialed for falling asleep while on guard duty near the front lines Nov. 14.

"We had been awake for three days...building bunkers during the day and pulling ward at night.

that was going to testify against them got killed two days later.' "That left my squad leader and I he added

French Cabinet Collapses

Ike Holding In N.H. Vote

By RELMAN MORIN
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The editors of eight Associated Pras member newspapers have been conducting a continuing sur-vey, each in his immediate area Their appraisals ranged from a 55-45 percentage edge for Eisen-hower in some counties down to an almost even division of senti-

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On the Democratic side, the
same editors agreed that the party
machine, if it is thrown into high
gear, will easily crush a budding
growth of sentiment for Sen. Estes
Kefauver, of Tennessee, and give
President Truman a spanking maority of popular votes and convention delegates.

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1. Taft has made long gains during the past few weeks after a late start in organizing. Originally, Eisenhower was considered an overwhelming favorite in New Hampshire, chiefly because of his support by the state's top Republican leadership.

2. The primary outcome may be decided by the effect of Taft's appearances here next week.

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3. A heavy snowfall reducing "back country" attendance at the town meetings on primary election day could seriously hurt Taft's chances. The rural communities are considered strongly favorable to Taft, whereas Eschower's popularity is rated greatest in the clies.

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New Hampshire voters will refister preference of two types in the primary.

1. They will vote for delegates running as favorable to Taft, Eisenhower and Gen. Douglas MacArthur as Republicans; and for Truman, Kefauver and ex-Postmaster-General James Farley on the Democratic side.

2. At the same time they will vote directly for the presidential candidates in a "popularity contest." The result is not binding on delegates.

In this section, Harold Stassen's

A three-position switchboard has been installed here with 13 opera. House Cuts Tax List Off

WASHINGTON W -Appropriations Committee recommended Friday that the much-criticized Bureau of Internal Rev-crue be allowed 700 new employees instead of the 7,000 it has asked. The committee's stand was taken in sending to the house a \$3,442,455,000 bill to finance the Treasury and Postoffice Departments for the year beginning next

July 1.

The total represented a cut of 2 per cent from the amount Presi-dent Truman asked for the two departments but is \$482,282,000

departments but is \$482,282,000 more than they received in their regular appropriation bill last year.

In opposing 7,000 new employees for the Bureau of Internal Revenue, the committee noted that President Truman is proposing a large-scale reorganization of the tax collecting service. It said it assumed this would result in savings.

Senate Cuts GI Pay Boost

WASHINGTON A — The Senate Armed Services Committee Friday approved a cost-of-living increase for American servicemen. But it was a vastly different bill the House-approved measure which provided for a flat 10 per cent pay boost.

Chairman Russell (D.-Ga.,) said the committee "re-wrote" the House bill with a resulting esti-mated annual savings of 375 million dollars.
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Russell said the Senate bill would give 3,600,000 service men—from private to general—a 3 per cent boost in base pay and larger increases than voted by the House in allowances for food and rental to those with families or dependents. Although the committee's vote to to the senate was unanimous, Russell said four or et five committeemen wanted to limit increases to the allowances for subsistence and quarters and that some opposed any increase,

Father Appeals Military Court Martial Of Son For Narrow Lead Sleeping On Guard Station ALLOWAY, N. J. (A5 — The angry father of a soldier serving a charge of sleeping while on guard in Korea, intends fighting for his son's freedom. Warren G. McConnell, had been returned to this country and imprisoned at the Lompoc, Calif., military disciplinary barracks, the commanding general of the Seventh Division approved the sen-

In Korea, intends fighting for his son's freedom.

Dorsey McConnell, a millwright in this small South Jersey community, said Thursday he retained a lawyer in Washington to appeal the case of his 20-year old son who claims he fell asleep because had no rest for three days.

He knew nothing about the courtmartial until after his son, PFC dier son sent him a letter describing the events that led to his son.

Spud Shipping **Figure Falls**

Outbound potato shipments from the Klamath Basin fell to 13 car-loads yesterday as shippers appar-ently were awaiting the advent of

the extra dime allowed on March shipmens by OPS regulations. The dime, an allowance for storage costs, will up the base price on No. 1 potatoes to \$3.85, and No. 1 size A (2 inch minimums) to \$3.95.

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Meanwhile, Oregon Potato Commission Administrator Ben Davidson was quoted in Boise as backing the inclusion of Oregon's Malheur County under OPS orders affecting Idaho. He said Malheur County growers ship their potatoes at the same time and to the same markets as Idahoans.

The original OPS regulation separated Malheur County from Idaho regulations.

No price-increase reports for any of the three West Coast states' general growing areas have been mentioned in recent Washington, D.C. dispatches. The OPS regulation giving Idaho and four Eastern Oregon counties increased ceiling on potatoes by-passed the rest of the

gon counties increased ceiling on potatoes by-passed the rest of the Coast, including the Klamath-Tulelake and Deschutes areas.

Shirt And All---To Show Point

MARYSVILLE, Calif. (3) — A nillion shirts for Congress . . . That's the goal of officers of the California State Farm Bureau Fed-

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Secretary-Treasurer Don W. McColly started it Thursday when he told a regional meeting:

'To my Congressman, I say:

You are taking now (in taxes) almost everything but my shirt. So you might as well have that, too.'

McColly lerked off his shirt. So did eight others, including Federation President George Wilson.

McColly insisted it was a spur of the moment idea.

But several members liked it so well that McColly said they agreed:

"We will try to get everyone to send his shirt to his Congressman. If we can get a million shirts in the mail then Congress will see just how much we want to cut taxes."

P.S.: If you're doffing your shirt to your Congressmen, please send it direct, not to McColly, he added.

In Washington, Atty. Myron G. Ehrlich said the elder McConnell has retained him to appeal the 10 year sentence to the U.S. Court of Military Appeals. This court is made up of civilians.

Weather

FORECAST: Klamath Falls and relating man circled by a passing motorist who asked him to him a favor.

"Sure." Luvass said.

The man in the automobile said he couldn't find a parking space and handed Luvass 2200 in cash and a business card.

"Deposit that in the bank for me. will you?"

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Reds Press Slashes In **Defense Tax**

Premier Faure was ousted from his 40-day-old premiership in the early hours of this morning by an adverse vote of the National As-

The assembly first pledged him the money for the new four billion dollar defense program by an over-whelming majority but then it re-jected his plan for paying the bill. Only 104 Communists and fellow-travelers voted against the approp-

But right-wingers joined them in turning down a 15 per cent tax increase, of which Faure had said "every centime" would go for new military expenses.

There was no indication that French participation in the North Atlantic Treaty would be affected.
Only the Communists are asking for a change in foreign policy, and they are isolated from the other parties.

The young soldier said his group's lieutenant had slept in the afternoon and was asleep again when the telephone guard came down to see why he could not raise the squad on the phone.

"The lieutenant woke us all up and told us to stay awake, and the next morning he called us up in front of the captain," the letter said, adding that the court-martial followed.

After the court-martial, the soldier continued, the judge advocate

Elysee Palace, Duclos told report-ers:
"It is indispensable to proceed to a reversal of policy and re-establish our national independence by limiting our military spending to the needs of a national army, by giving up all plans for new taxes and by reestablishing normal trade relations with all countries." No other party leader echoed this. 'He did get our DD (dishonorable discharge) knocked loose which will show Washington when they review our case that we were good soldiers and got a raw deal,' he

But right-wingers joined them in

"We had been awake for three days ... building bunkers during the day and pulling guard at night. If you have ever been awake that long you will know how we felt. Sort of numb all over You feel as if you could drop in your tracks."

The young soldier said his squad "set up on a bunch of rocks" because "we knew we would go to sleep if we got too comfortable on the ground."

Even with the rocks, and the fact that "it was cold as all get out," the men fell asleep, he said.

Three of the accused five escaped punishment, young McConnell said, "because the sergeant that was going to testify against

they are isolated from the other parties.

A French official commented that Faure and Foreign Minister Robert Schuman had gone to Lisbon after a vote of support from the Assembly. He said he saw no reason why that support should now be questioned.

How to pay for it, however, was another questioned.

As expected, Communist Boss Jacques Duclos placed the blame for the government's defeat on the defense program fixed at Lisbon.

As he left President Auriol's Elysee Palace, Duclos told reporters:

PARIS M — France's IMB capinet since liberation atumbled and fell Priday and President Auriol immediately began a search for the statesmen and money which will enable the country to play the big Western defense role given her

State Sen. Jack Bain, Portland Democrat who filed the Kefauver petitions, said that Kefauver told

only two Republicans — Gens.

Dwight Eisenhower and Douglas
MacArthur—are entered on the Republican side. General MacArthur

"Ghost of Ash Creek Butte". The "ghost" is an Air Force transport which vanished Dec. 26 with eight men aboard. The last time the plane, a C-47, was heard from, a crewman radioed Municipal Airport here that the ship was flying at 10,000 feet over Klamath Falls en route from Spokane to San Francisco. There was no hint of trouble and the plane communicator said the flight was on course and an schedule. The hig ship vanished after that radio report. Since then, Air Force and civilian fliers and ground crews have piled up search hours until this is believed to be the biggest plane search in the West and perhaps in the nation. The "Ghost of Ash Creek Butte" entered the picture last Sunday. Another search base had been established here Saturday to seek a four-place plane missing with four men aboard. That plane was found where it had made an emergency landing near McCloud and the four men were found uninjured. Sunday afternoon, Paul Gemberling, veteran Spokane pilot who had participated in the search, was returning here from McCloud.

Klamath Men To

Attempt Landing

On Narrow Ridge

By WALLACE MYERS

Two Klamath Air Search and Rescue fliers took off here at noon today to attempt a hazardous mountain landing in the search for the

est of Ash Creek Butte".

SEN. KEFAUVER

Kefauver To

Enter Primary

So far, Kefauver is the only Democrat entered in the Demo-

The filing period ends next Fri-

Democrat enter cratic primary.

Municipal Airport here, he electri-fied KASRU and Air Force men with a report he had sighted the tail section and part of the fuse-lage of a C-47 sticking out of the snow on the east slope of Ash Creek Rutte.

Show on the east slope of Ash Creak
Butte.

Gemberling was positive he had
seen the C-47. Talking to this reporter, he described the scene in detail . Said he could plainly see
the entire tail section and the fuselage up to about the location of the
rear door.

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But when lifers returned to the butte the following day to pinpoint the wreckage for ground crews pre-paring to battle their way to the scene the wreckage could not be found. Late that evening after the the last of several planes had re-turned from a fruitless search for BULLETIN

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A B-IT carrying an air and ground search party from McChord Air Force Base arrived at the Kiamath Falls airport shorily before noon today to resume search for a C-47 transport plane missing in this area since December 26. Another plane bringing militiary searchers from Hamilton Field was expected in this afternoon. Search operations were to get underway immediately south of here in the Mt. Shasta vicinity.

the wreckage, the ground trek was called off.

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Meanwhile, Gemberling had returned to Spokane but before he left, he convinced many of the MASRU and Air Force men that he ver of Tennessee, who rose to fame as the U.S. Senate's crime investigator, was entered Friday in Oregon's May 16 Democratic presidential primary.

BASRU and Air Force men that he had seen the long south C-47.
Today, Ed Scholer and George Wardell took off from here to try a perilous landing on an Ash Creel Butte ridge near the area Gember ling reported sighting the lost plane. Scholer's ski-equipped plans was stripped of all non-essentia weight in order to obtain mort power for a tricky takeoff from the 8332-foot ridge if a landing were made.

made.

The spot selected for the landing and takeoff try is a steep and narrow ridge bare of timber. How

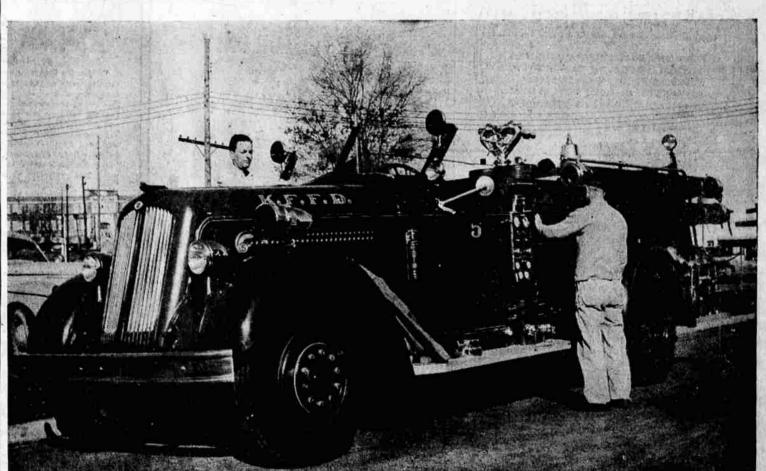
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day two Republicans — Gens. Dwight Eisenhower and Douglas MacArthur—are entered on the Republican side. General MacArthur asked that his name be withdrawn, and Attorney General George Neuner now is preparing an opinion on whether MacArthur can withdrawn, and Attorney General George Neuner now is preparing an opinion on whether MacArthur can withdrawn.

CASUALTIES

WASHINGTON A — The Defense Department Friday identified 32 more battle casualties in Korea in a new list No 510 that reported six killed, 24 wounded and two injured. It also listed six dead who were previously reported wounded.

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Temperature In the 20s, but It Looks Like Spring, Anyhow, Down at the Firehouse