

# DEPUTY SHOT AT COUNTRY CLUB

## General and News

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### In The Day's News

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From Los Angeles: "J. Paul Elliott, Los Angeles member of education, was convicted yesterday of misconduct in office. Penalty is removal from office. "Elliott had been charged with voting school bus contracts to an operator for whom he was legal counsel. He is the FOURTH board member to be convicted on grand jury accusation of indictment."

What's wrong? I think a lot of us can agree on this diagnosis: In BIG Los Angeles and a lot of our other BIG cities and some of our BIG states, as well as in our VASTLY TOO BIG federal government, too many people are operating on the cynical theory that PUBLIC OFFICE IS A PRIVATE CONCERN.

How can we put a stop to that? I think maybe there are two ways by which it could be stopped: 1. By convincing the people that if they don't do a better, more honest, more intelligent, or more patriotic job, they can lose their liberties. 2. By bringing government back closer to the people.

As to the first, let's remember this: In the United States of America, the people are the source of government. A RIVER CAN'T RISE HIGHER THAN ITS SOURCE. That is to say: If the people are corrupt, inefficient, or TOLERANT OF CORRUPTION, the government will become inefficient and corrupt.

As to the second, I think most thoughtful people will agree that the ardent government gets from the people the more inefficient and corrupt it tends to become. Our big cities have got TOO big. They are so vast and cumbersome, so complex that their people can no longer take a genuine personal interest in their city government. Most of them have become corrupt, as well as the small places that are political corruption.

What we can do about that, I don't know. We could pass a law, of course, providing that cities can become only so large. But it would not do any good. It would be like passing laws in most of our cities and towns. They were passed in the first place as a pious gesture, and then they were forgotten. Nobody pays any attention to them anymore. It would be the same way with a law limiting the size of cities.

Personally, I'm pretty sure that laws that are kept on the books but NOT ENFORCED bear down upon the public respect for law and thus tend to PROMOTE inefficiency and corruption. The problem of the TOO BIG city is one that we just haven't begun to solve yet.

If the people, who hold the vote, and therefore are still the source of all political power in America, should become ardent and determined to do something about it, we COULD check the growth of TOO BIG federal government. We could clip the wings of soaring federal power and do something that would send a lot of our governmental functions to the state houses and the court houses and the city halls, where it once resided but from which it took flight as the welfare state based upon a "continuing gentle rain of government checks," began to spread in our minds the poisonous idea that if we only VOTE RIGHT we can live without work by the bounty of the politicians.

How could we do that? BY GETTING THE RIGHT KIND OF MEN INTO CONGRESS. If we get the right kind of men into congress, there is practically nothing that we couldn't do. Congress, given reasonable time, could bring government in this country back to the state houses, the court houses and the city halls.

Two Klamath County jail inmates were taken north today to start serving sentences. Sheldon Abercrombie, 19, is slated for five years in the State Prison on violation of probation on charge of entering a motor vehicle with intent to steal.

Francisco Montez, 42, sentenced by District Court to one year on petit larceny conviction will serve his time at the Multnomah County Jail at Rocky Butte, Portland. Sheriff Murray (Red) Britton said the Multnomah jail has better facilities for handling prisoners with a one-year jail term.

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Postmaster Chet Langslet announced today a new mail drop has been set up at the downtown Klamath Falls postoffice, but is seldom used. The new drop, he said, is held open until the last minute, and is plainly marked "AIR MAIL." He said air mail dropped in "outgoing" or other drops must be picked up early for separation from other mails. If the plane is late here, Langslet said the air mail drop would be held open.

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## Defense Funds Asked

### Mike Williams Files For County Commissioner Post

Mike Williams, Fort Klamath rancher, filed for County Commissioner on the Democratic ticket yesterday afternoon, and Jim Kaler, 2110 White, filed his candidacy for that time.



MIKE WILLIAMS

Kaler's candidacy for Coroner assures a contest for that office on the Demo ballot in May, and probably there won't be a contest for the office in November. Dr. George H. Adler, incumbent, is also a Democrat and is seeking re-election. Up until noon today there was no Republican candidate.

Jim Kaler, 35, operates Kaler's Ambulance Service and said in announcing his bid for the Coroner job that since his work generally puts him on the scene of violent deaths very quickly, he believes he can handle the work of the Coroner.

In Oregon Coroner does not have to be a physician. Kaler is experienced in first aid work and for several years has been a Deputy Sheriff. He also served for a time as member of the Klamath Falls City Council.

Mike Williams, well-known in Klamath County Democratic circles, apparently will be opposed for that party's nomination for County Commissioner. There are two Republican candidates, Ed Gowen, incumbent, and Troy V. Cook, who filed Wednesday.

Williams is present Master of the Klamath Pomona Grange. The appearance of another Republican in the already many-sided race for County Assessor is was in at noon.

He is A. R. Dickson of Henley, who for about 2 years was chief clerk and accountant for Ewama Box Company, and prior to that was a high school teacher.

The sole Republican candidate previously announced was Austin Hayden, and the three Demo candidates are Otis Metsker, incumbent; Tom Hes, employe under Metsker; and Gene Loomis, co-owner of Loomis Glass Company.

Two men sought by State Police and the Sheriff's office since Nov. 23, 1951, on larceny charges were apprehended Thursday at Phoenix, Ariz.

Sheriff Murray (Red) Britton identified the pair as Charles Poirer, 24, and William Bert Wilder, 18. They were arrested on warrants from Klamath County charging larceny, not in a dwelling, by Sheriff Cal Rotes of Phoenix.

Sheriff Britton said the pair are implicated in theft of 51 sacks of potatoes Nov. 23 from a Great Northern freight car at Adams Point.

Two other persons were also implicated in the theft. One of them, Kenneth Mack Anderson, 26, was sentenced to two years in the Oregon State Prison, Dec. 31, 1951, on pleading guilty to the charge.

Raymond W. Dawley, 18, Merrill, is free under \$2000 bond for grand jury investigation on the charge after waiting preliminary hearing Nov. 29, 1951, in District Court.

State Police said all four men were living in Merrill at the time of the alleged theft.

## Truman Sees Decline Of Red Empire

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Truman forecast Friday the "ultimate decay of the Soviet slave world," provided free nations build up their military strength.

But, he told Congress, the free world cannot return adequately without continued American help. Submitting to Congress the first Security Program, President Truman made his third plea in 24 hours for the plan's approval.

RADIO PLEA — The joint Congress, still talking about scaling down the program despite his 7,500-word special message to Congress Thursday followed by a direct radio-TV plea to the nation Thursday.

"The ultimate decision between free world and slave world lies in the balance. "For the nations of Western Europe, the year 1952 may well be the critical time in the defense buildup, bringing the period before the end of the world war and effective preparedness."

Friday's report went far beyond his message to Congress and the address to the nation in supporting arguments for the Mutual Security Program, the official name for the combined foreign military and economic aid programs.

Accomplishments Told — The President outlined the things already accomplished in the joint rearmament drive touched off by the outbreak of the Korean war as well as itemizing how new funds will be spent and what can be expected.

The administration supporters conceded that the program faces a tough time in this election-year Congress. The President said "neutralism," which he defined as "the ostrich-like disposition to ignore the reality of the Soviet threat," has steadily declined as confidence in the free world's defense has grown.

He said "not one nation has withdrawn from the free world's defense," and that this country's Atlantic Allies in Europe, including Greece and Turkey, have increased their standing armies in the past two years by more than half a million men. The quality of the troops, he said, has also increased.

The President said the power of Communism in the Western European countries has declined. It remains a threat in France and Italy, although its power has been "very substantially reduced" in those countries during the past five years.

Korean Reds Stage Riot — TOKYO (AP) — A thousand Communist-led Koreans paraded around the Japanese Parliament building Friday carrying placards opposing any Japanese treaty with South Korea.

Hundreds of police rushed to the scene. The Koreans demanded to see the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate. They streamed into the Parliament building shortly before noon.

They carried placards reading: "Don't let Syngman Rhee sign treaties with Japan." Rhee is President of the Republic of (South) Korea. They called it a puppet government.

The demonstrators, sympathetic to Communist North Korea, want Parliament to intercede in a conference being held between Japan and South Korea. After an hour and a half, the demonstrators disbanded peacefully.

FISH COUNT — PORTLAND (AP) — The upstream movement of fish past Bonneville Dam Thursday; Chinook 1, steelhead 1.

Good Weekend Weather Seen — PORTLAND (AP) — The Weather Bureau reported Friday that this week was expected to be a dandy weekend, with sunny skies and mild afternoon temperatures over nearly all the state.

Southeastern Oregon will get some cloudy forecaster said, but no rain is in prospect. Some of the early morning temperatures will be chilly, but afternoon highs will go to around 50 degrees east of the mountains and 68 in the west. Friday morning's 24-hour temperature report had identical readings of 64 high and 33 low for Eugene, Roseburg and Salem.

Skirts Are Being Worn Fuller Now — CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — J. R. Lawson, a chain store supervisor, couldn't believe his eyes. When he hollered "drop it" at two women here's what he said fell out of their skirts: Ten steaks, two hams, two packages of sliced ham and four chickens. The women were charged Thursday with shoplifting.



SEATTLE (AP) — A country club dishwasher, Ralph Bishop, 62, and two watchmen near two hours earlier while they looted the safe of the exclusive Inglewood Golf Club on an estimated \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Stopping Red Supplies — Navy pilots from the Aircraft Carrier U.S.S. Antietam leave this train burning on the tracks in North Korea after a sudden strike. The Antietam is part of a fast carrier task force operating off the coast of Korea. Their sudden strikes are designed to disrupt the Communists' flow of war material.

## Five Presidential Hats Tossed In Oregon Ring As Petition Deadline Nears

SALEM (AP) — The number of Republican candidates in Oregon's May 16 presidential primary was boosted to five Friday as petitions were filed to enter Gov. Warren of California and Oregon's Sen. Morse.

Both were filed by petitions circulated by Mrs. Fred Gronert, Portland, an active supporter of Gen. MacArthur. The strategy of the MacArthur supporters is to divide the vote among MacArthur's opponents.

Warren is a willing candidate, having announced he would file his own candidacy some time Friday. But Morse bitterly denounced the entry of his name, as he is a supporter of Gen. Eisenhower.

Besides Gen. MacArthur, who requested withdrawal of his name, the other candidates will be Harold E. Stassen and Gen. Eisenhower. Friday was the last day of the filing period, and there was a possibility that Sen. Taft's name might be entered before the 5 p.m. deadline.

The Taft petitions were being circulated by Jack Travis, Hood River publisher, who opposes Taft. Taft did not wish to enter the Oregon primary.

On the Democratic side, Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, who said he didn't want to be a candidate, was entered in the primary late Thursday.

The only other candidate is Sen. Kefauver of Tennessee, but petitions for Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois were expected Friday.

Oregon thus is assured its most exciting presidential primary in many years. At stake are the state's 18 Republican and 12 Democratic votes at the national conventions.

The candidates for delegates must sign pledges to support whoever wins the presidential primaries, except in the cases of the handful of candidates for delegates who filed by petition.

Diary Hottest Thing In D.C. — WASHINGTON (AP) — The strange case of an American general's diary which fell into Communist hands engrossed Capitol Hill Friday and may become the subject of a Congressional inquiry.

The diary announced Thursday that an anti-American book circulating behind the Iron Curtain contained stolen excerpts from a diary kept by Maj. Gen. Robert W. Grow while he was military attache in Hanoi. It is the general's expressed belief that war with Russia is imminent.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the House Armed Services Committee said he had been informed of the incident. Asked if his committee would inquire into the circumstances, he replied: "There won't be any inquiry about that this week."

The implication was that Vinson would await further information before deciding whether his committee should delve into the matter.

## Worker Mistakes Four Officers For Returning Thugs

### -BULLETIN- NEW CANDIDATE

Marius Petersen, 3000 Patterson St., filed this afternoon as a candidate for county commissioner on the Democratic ticket.

SEATTLE (AP) — A country club dishwasher, Ralph Bishop, 62, and two watchmen near two hours earlier while they looted the safe of the exclusive Inglewood Golf Club on an estimated \$8,000 to \$10,000.

The officers were felled with blasts from an automatic pistol as they entered the clubhouse north of Seattle cautiously after the safe-cracking report. ROPES CUT — Bishop told officers he had freed himself earlier by working his way to a meathook and sawing the ropes from his arms and legs.

He said he then had gone to his room, got his automatic and two extra clips and hid in the attic for "more than an hour." Officers said the safecrackers apparently finished their job and left while Bishop was in hiding.

In the meantime, the two watchmen, Lloyd Cannon Jr., 19, and Cyrus T. Dorsey, freed themselves, ran to a nearby home and called the sheriff's office. The three officers were shot as they entered the clubhouse with State Patrolman James Tehar.

The safecrackers had gained entrance to the clubhouse about 3:30 a.m. by a ruse. One of them knocked at the door and reported a companion was trapped beneath an overturned car.

DOOR LOCKED — Cannon and Dorsey, suspicious, left the front door locked and went out the kitchen door to talk to the man. The three others sprang out of the darkness with drawn pistols. Both watchmen were tied. Then the dishwasher was routed from bed and tied with them. Officers said Bishop worked himself free while the safecrackers still were at work.

Bishop said he was trying to telephone the club president when he was caught by surprise by the officers' entrance. He broke down and wept when he realized what had happened.

Randacker said he and the other officers announced they were officers as they walked into the clubhouse. The dishwasher is partly deaf and wears a hearing aid. The dazed man told Sheriff Harlan S. Callahan later: "I was crouched down behind the desk when I heard them coming in. I didn't know who they were. I thought they were the stickup men. I guess, one looked like an officer, with a 'Know-an O. D. olive drab jacket."

Three of the officers were in uniform. Only Dodd was in plain clothes.

## CAB Ponders Air Line Case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The issues of expanded Pacific Northwest air line service and by whom—rested in the hands of the Civil Aeronautics Board Friday.

The board took under advisement Thursday night the complicated case involving Empire, West Coast and United Air Lines.

The case involves particularly the requests of residents for increased "feeder line" service in the rapidly growing Columbia Basin area of Washington State. Five Idaho and Washington members of Congress added their pleas for extended services.

Both Empire and West Coast are seeking the right to extend their services. United is opposing both extensions and has asked permission to fly in and out of Walla Walla without the present necessity of stopping at Pendleton.

The board also will have before it later the proposed merger of Empire and West Coast.

Weather — FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California: Partly sunny Friday, becoming clear Friday night and Saturday. High Friday 43, High Saturday 47. High temp yesterday — 33 Low last night — 18 Precip Mar. 6 — .03 Since Oct. 1 — 12.99 Normal for period — 12.45 Last year same period — 12.45 (Additional Weather on Page 4)

## Ragland Heads Tule Rotary

TULELAKE — Ross Ragland, manager of the Tulelake Cold Storage Co. is the new president of the Rotary Club. He was elected during the luncheon meeting Wednesday.

Ragland has also served as president of the chamber of commerce and has been active in the interest of the annual Rotary sponsored Junior Livestock show, establishment of a local fair district, a hospital and other civic improvements.

Other newly elected officers include—Dan Crawford Sr., vice president; Doug Thomas, secretary; A. A. Roderberger, treasurer. Newly elected members of the board are W. G. McClaymond, Dick McDougal, Al Porter and E. Webb Staunton.

The officers elect go to Berkeley in May to attend a conference in preparation for next year's work. Charles K. Wiese was program chairman.

No Bidders On Timber Tract — There were no bidders Thursday on a small block of timber offered for sale by the Rogue River National Forest.

The stand, on about 6 acres of land, lies northwest of Pelican Guard Station. It is supposed to contain about 87,000 board feet of pine and 148,000 board feet of fir plus 122,000 feet of other species of timber.

## Injured Boy Comforted

— An unidentified woman comforts Robert Swindle, 4, who was seriously injured when struck by an automobile in Oakland, Calif. The impact knocked off the youngster's favorite "grow-up" rubber boots. At the hospital he was listed in fair condition. The driver of the car was not cited.



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