By FRANK JENKINS
I'm inclined to think that among Americans who lean slightly toward the idealistic side in their politics, there is no more fascinating thought than this:
"The exalted office of President of the United States of America should SEEK THE MAN. It is too bacredly important to all of us for us to permit it to be hawked about among self-seeking politicians—which is what happens when ambitious "men SEEK THE OF-FICE."

As a theory, it is certainly intri-guing—but in practice we've never come within guided missile shoot-ing distance of giving it a trial. We MIOHT give it a try this

If we try, it will be with Ike, Ike's candidacy is an odd political accident, Certain Republicans, looking (probably with mixed motives) for a candidate who can WIN, decided that Ike has what it takesthat is to say, the CONFIDENCE OF THE PEOPLE.

So they went to work on him. Eventually, he said to them: "Why, yes, if the Republican party wants me to be its candidate, I will accept the honor. But I will do NO campalguing. I have a job that will keep me very, very busy. If the GOP convention should nominate me, let me know, My address will be SHAPE headquarters in Paris."

Just like that.

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or These politicians, of course, did not think he meant it. Their political minds couldn't encompass the thought that ANY man, tempted by the possibility of becoming President, wouldn't drop EVERY-THING ELSE and go affer the job hammer and tongs.

It turned out that Ike did mean it. Having given his answer, he put on his uniform and went to work building an army in Europe. It has been a tough job. Much tougher than expected. One of the toughest ever tackled by any American, It's a long way from finished yet.

But Ike did exactly what he said he'd do. He kept his mouth strict-ly shut and tied into his job in

The politicians who had climbed The politicians who had climbed upon his band wagon got uneasy. Inen they got STILL MORE UN EASY. With the New Hampshire primary in the offing and Ike still awing wood and saying nothing, they GOT PANICKY.

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They were TERRIFIED.

They made frantic overtures to IKE for Pete's sake to get home and get busy. He ignored the overtures and stayed on with his job. His political backers, with their sutures at stake, HEDGED. They silbled, They said it wasn't true and never had been true, that ike was a cinch—in New Hampshire, or anywhere else, They allowed as how if he got even half the N.H. delegates and barely scraped by in the hopularity poli it would be a great victory.

And a lot more political toah.

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Mell, they guessed wrong. Ike swept the primary, getting ALL the GOP delegates and winning the popularity contest handsomely. What happened? Why, the people SPOKE! They said WE LIKE IKE, We have CON-PIDENCE in him, We think he's the kind of man we need for President. They went farther than that. The New Hampshire Democratis tromped on Truman and gave to Kefauver the same kind of vote of confidence their Republican contemporaries gave to Eisenhower. There the situation stands. ident. They went farther than that The New Hampshire Democrasis tromped on Truman and gave to Kefaquer the same kind offer or Truman and the Legislature should perfect to the State of the Classroom was the state vocallonal school that the state to the

included:
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Lake County - Provide crushed ock or crushed gravel at Alkali Lake on the Lakeview-Burns High-way about 25 miles north of the Valley Falls Postoffice; N. A. Towle Construction Company, On-tario, \$25,000.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California: Cloudy Thursday with occasional snow Thursday night and Friday. night 25, High Friday 32. High temp yesterday 33. Low last night 10 Precip March 12 15 Since Oct. 1 13.27 Normal for period 8.63 Same period last year 12.58

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Takes Loss

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On the Republican ticket, Eisenhower piled up 46,497 preferential votes to 35,820 for Taft. And-Eisenhower. too, made a clean sweep of the delegates—14 to the GOP convention.

Eisenhower backers expressed delight over the outcome in view of the fact the general so far has taken no part in any pre-convention activities in his behalf. He has said the would accept the nomination but won't seek it.

Ives said the New Hampshire is vote "proved Eisenhower can get the nomination without coming the proved of the company of the wants it that way."

New Fire Truck To Be Shown

The City Fire Department is going to show off its new \$37,000 fladder truck tomorrow. A demonstration is scheduled for 3 p.m., on 8th St., between Main and Pine St.

Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m., the firement are holding open house at the Central Fire Station on Spring St., and the public is invited. The firemen want to show their quarters and equipment, Coffee, soft drinks and doughnuts will be served. Fire Chief Roy Rowe said the Coca Gola Company was furnishing the soft drinks.

Ghostly Skeleton Moves Haunts To New Spook Area STEUBENVILLE, O. A.— The ghostly skeleton who danced on route 40 may have moved to route

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A nervous truck driver, Louis B. Martel of Pawtucket, R. I., stopped in Yorkville O.,. Wednesday night to tell his story to Police Chief Roger Lollini.

Martel was driving north on route 7, which follows the Ohio river. Near a small airport, he saw an automobile approaching. It veered toward him and its lights went out.

Then a figure jumped from the car. Glowing in the lights of the truck was a skeleton, topped by some sort of mask in the shape of a skull and crossbones.

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The account was very much like the five stories that truckers have told State highway patrolmen along the east-west National highway, route 40. In recent weeks, That was in Western Ohlo. Route 40's phantom wore a skeleton suit too, with the bones outlined in luminous paint.

One officer of the patrol has speculated that the mysterious motorist may be mentally ill, or have a macabre sense of humor.

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The President said the power industry's "propaganda campaign." has switched from attacks on the valley authority idea to denouncing the public power program.

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Kiamath Falls' Spring opening officially gets under way tonight when downtown window displays along the theme "All That's New for '52" are unveiled.

The main event — the fashion show — is scheduled for Friday night at 8 o'clock. A total of 56 models are to show off Spring models are to show off Spring ashions during the show, and the entertainment will include a ballet dance number presented by the Isa Dorah Moldovan dance studio, organ music, bathing beauty events, and numbers by the KUHS girls glee club.

Home applicances and musical

Chairman Frank E. McKinney.

The argument apparently was made that the Truman slate of delegates could carry the state.

And the President was told the delegates wanted to make the race.

"It is always a mistake when the President is persuaded to do something against his own political judgment," one aide said.

"Socialism' Tag Denied

sand numbers by the KUHS girls glee club.

Home applicances and musical instruments will be displayed on the Armory floor.

Industrial, automotive and farm equipment will be displayed for the Armory floor or and Klamath.

Admission to the Armory program is 60 cents a person, and proceeds will go to youth activities.

Bloodmobile

At Merrill

The appearance of the bloodmobile at Merrill Tuesday turned out it89 people who gave 164 pints of blood, the Red Gross here announced today.

The Merrill Setup attracted donors from Malin and Tulelake, as well as Merrill.

From Tulelake came 83 donors, Merrill sent 70 and Malin 36.

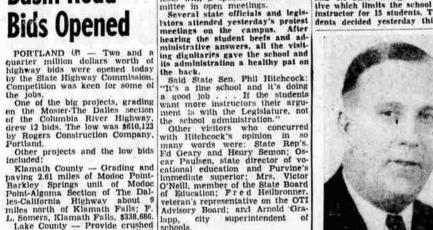
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Charge of assault with intent to commit rape was filed by the District Attorney's office late last night against Donald Foutz Fitzgerald, 24, of 3303 Cannon St.
Fitzgerald was arrested by State Police about 9:30 p.m. at his home on compaint of a 20-year-old mar-



DOUBLE TAKE - Mrs. Paul McEnerny was taking 15month-old Kathy to a photographer for a portrait sitting when the Herald and News cameraman happened along this morning. The McEnernys operate Paul's Leather Shop, 1134 Main St.



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asp, city superintendent of schools.

STUDENT COMMITTEE
The students presented their protests and recommendations through a four-man committee comprised of: Jim Adams, Gold Beach; Charles Boleyn, Oak Park, Ill.; Richard Mills, Independence; and Milt Swopsher, Toledo, Ohlo, who served as the principal spokesman. Lyle Read, Corvallis, student body president, also participated in yesterday's meetings with the officials.

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Read was irked by a report in yesterday's Portland Oregonian quoting "a student who refused to give his name" as saying the students were striking because of instructors a n d charging OTI was a waste of the taxpayer's money.

After Explanation At Forum

OTI FORUM - Part of the panel which yesterday considered student protests and rec-

ommendations at Oregon Tech is shown above. Left to right: Milt Swopsher, student,

students in their subjects warranted.

OTI instructors are employed and laid off under a legislative directive which limits the school to one instructor for 15 students. The students decided yesterday this ratio such schools and that curtailment of abolition of sports would not add any money to the schools to found.



GEORGE WILLARD (BILL) HANSON, former well-known Klamath resident who died yesterday in a Seattle hospital where he had gone for observation. A heart attack was cause of death. (Story on page 3.)

Political Notes: President

HST, Taft Still Seen As Threat

WASHINGTON &—Political opponents of President Truman and Sen. Taft ranked them Thursday as "still formidable" adversaries despite the New Hampshire presidential primary victories scored by Sen. Kefauver and Gen. Eisenhower.

Kefauver Tennessee Democrat, upset Truman in Tuesday's granite State contest. And Eisennower swept over Ohio's Taft on the Republican ticket.

"Say what you want about Harry Truman, He's a fighter, especially when he's hurt—and he'll fight now." said Sen. Aiken (R-Vt).

Aiken is anti-Truman. He has not announced his choice for the GOP presidential nomination.

The Vermonter predicted last month Kefauver would "beat the tar" out of Truman in the New Hampshire bear to the resident's ultimate decision whether to run again.

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In New Hampshire, Kefauverwon over Truman in the prefer-

Students Return To Classes

Leading In

sports would not add any money to the scholastic fund.

In answer to a question from Geary, Purvine said 'not one cent' of state money is spent on interscholastic athletics. He explained that the sports program is supported entirely by student activity fees, gate receints and other heidental funds such as gifts and bowling alley receipts.

Purvine explained further that student activity fees were collected and administered according to state law.

Vesterday's meetings opened with an air of student beligerence. But an open forum session in the college theater yesterday afternoon concluded in an atmosphere of student-administration cooperation for a better OTI.

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Bud Chandler, KFLW manager, served as moderator for the forum. He was strongly applauded when he pleaded for students to refrain from making "a difference, a dispute" and a few minutes later, the crowd of approximaately 500 students decided to return to classes,

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It is regarded as significant by many that the State Federation of Labor in Portland yesterday demanded an investigation of OTI. James Marr, executive secretary of the federation, charged the school was wasting money and giving interior instruction.

One of the visiting officials yesterday, eyeing a mimeographed sheet of protests offered by students, said many of the protests were "almost identical" with former Labor Federation protests against the school,