



9 O'clock Special

CLEANING UP AN ANGUS this morning in preparation for the Aberdeen Angus show and sale starting Sunday at the Fairgrounds was Will Griffin of the Hacienda de las Reys, Selma, Calif.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In New York the other night, the Democrats held another of those \$100-a-plate dinners. I don't think I should explain that. I don't actually eat that much. Even people sitting in the seats of power and accustomed to feeding at the public trough couldn't consume that amount of food. What is left over after paying for the dinner goes into the party campaign fund.

The dinner was held to honor W. Averill Harriman, who is presently mutual security director, and to make him a full-fledged candidate for the Democratic nomination for President. Apparently he took it seriously, for he got up and made a speech in which he said: "If the GOP voices of hesitation prevail, they will undermine what we have built and destroy the leadership of the United States."

Vice-President Barkley was present and also made a speech, in which he said: "The Democratic party is sure to win in November because it deserves to win, because it is right." An ardent Republican might differ with that statement, but party candidates were not permitted to make the welkin ring at \$100-a-plate party dinners this would be a heck of a country.

The reporters said the Veep indicated no present intention of announcing whether he is a candidate, and added their own cynical interpretation that what he said and how he said it made it pretty plain that he regards himself as the "chief dark-horse candidate."

It could be, he's 74, but he's still full of the old Nick.

AP's Jack Bell, one of the reporters present, says "the upshot of the dinner and all the speeches was talk—though mostly in whispers—that the President COULD be drafted to run again, even though he says he won't respond to such a move."

Personally, I don't think he wants it.

But the Democratic party is split wide open along the Mason and Dixon line. The Southerners want to stand for an all-out Northerner and the Northerners won't stand for an all-out Southerner. The problem is to find somebody who can stand with one foot on each side of the line and guarantee that neither faction will get into control.

Truman has got away with it during his administration. It isn't going to be too easy to find somebody else who can do the trick.

It appears at the convention that Truman could do it again and nobody else could, the pressure on him to accept a draft would be terrific. Pressure of that sort isn't easily resisted. I doubt if it will happen, but I wouldn't bet against it unless I had money to throw at the birds.

Getting back to Harriman, I'm a bit fed up with these second and third generation rich who go around with their big wads. The trouble with him is that they never had to make a business pay, or go broke and sleep in the street. That makes their economic thinking unrealistic. Never having had to make it themselves, they fall naturally into the delusion that money grows on trees and all you have to do is to shake the tree and the stuff will come showering down.

We had too much of that already.

Prize Angus Beef Show Here Sunday

By MALCOLM EPLEY JR., Farm Editor

Klamath folks could well make an interesting afternoon of it at the Fairgrounds tomorrow as the Fifth Annual Klamath Falls Aberdeen Angus Show gets under way.

Angus breeders boast theirs is the best breed of all, and some of the top velvet-coated black Angus on the Pacific Coast will vie for honors at tomorrow's affair.

Jim Guttridge, Oak Grove, is official judge.

ENTRIES

Twenty bulls, 32 females and more than 70 commercial females—some with calves at their side—have been consigned to the show and Monday's sale. It is sponsored by the Pacific Coast Aberdeen Angus Breeder's Association.

Both show and sale are free and open to the public. Show time is 1 p.m. Sunday, sale time is noon Monday.

Tomorrow night, breeders and buyers will attend a special banquet at the Willard. Alvin Cheyne is chairman of the two-day event which has been rising among the ranks of Pacific Coast sales until it's recognized as one of the better ones.

Many Klamath breeders have consigned animals to the show and sale, and expect to walk off with some honors. In other sales on the Coast this season they've nabbed purple and blue ribbons several times, as well as selling top-priced animals.

ANGUS CLAIMS

Aberdeen Angus is a breed of cattle, black in color, which its breeders (and others) maintain carries more meat, pound for pound, than other beef breeds. They are hornless, (spelled) thus eliminating danger of horning in close quarters and possibly injuring other animals.

Monday, one of the top auctioneers of the West, Walter Palmer, Los Angeles, will handle sales in the Fairgrounds auction ring. A master showman, Palmer is famed as a crowd pleaser.

The Klamath County Chamber of Commerce has issued 400 invitations to some of the West's top beef and cattlemen for the event.

Airline Crash Death Toll 29

LOS ANGELES (AP)—North Continental Airways, operating unscheduled transcontinental flights, was grounded Saturday by government order after a crash of one of its transports near here had taken 29 lives.

The plane, a C-46 two-engine airliner enroute from New York to Los Angeles, crashed in the Puente Hills, 25 miles from its destination, early Friday morning in a heavy fog. Seven hours later a rancher, checking on his cattle, came upon the wreckage. A few passengers had been hurled from the plane, but most died strapped in their seats.

The plane apparently exploded as it hit the side of the 100-foot hill. Short, glistening rivulets where aluminum had melted, testified to the heat of the fire that consumed everything except the smashed tail section and one wheel.

Police Probe Man's Knifing

Chiloquin Police and Federal authorities are investigating the stabbing of a Corvallis Indian Friday evening at Chiloquin.

Reported in good condition at Klamath Valley Hospital today with multiple stab wounds of the left chest and stomach is Delbert Horton 38, Weyerhaeuser employee from Chiloquin.

Details of the incident are hazy, authorities stated, although it was apparent Horton became involved in a brawl during a drinking party. Authorities said there were well over 60 stitches taken to close the stab wounds.

Key Telephone Strike Ends

NEW YORK (AP)—A compromise was reached early Saturday ending the key strike of 10,000 CIO installers against the Western Electric Co., and fostering the hopes for a quick settlement in two remaining telephone walkouts.

The agreement between the installers, members of the CIO Communications Workers of America, and Western Electric was regarded as the most important thus far in 12 days of strikes that have threatened to disrupt telephone service in 43 states and Washington, D. C.

It was expected to set a pattern for the settlement at a meeting later in the day between Western Electric and 6,000 still striking CWA salesmen, distributors and warehousemen.

Steel Grab Followed By Stock Drop

NEW YORK (AP)—Steel and industrial activity did fairly steady this week as arguments raged over government operation of the seized steel industry.

But the stock market had something of a shake-out with one of the sharpest price drops of the past year.

"Confiscation of private property" was the charge leveled by steel producers against federal officials moving towards imposition of recommended wage boosts for subscribers.

Secretary of Commerce Sawyer said late Friday he planned to impose a wage increase "on Monday day or Tuesday of next week."

BATTLE

The industry will fight this "to the last ditch — the Supreme Court," steel sources said.

Even as a major court battle shaped up, steel plants this week lifted their production above two million tons again.

In other industries this week automobile output climbed to an estimated 127,038 cars and trucks; construction awards to \$235,105,000.

Electric power output, crude oil production and freight carloadings were only slightly lower.

Retail sales dropped perceptibly from the pre-Easter week but continued slightly ahead of the levels of a year ago.

Stockholders flocked to annual meetings this week and heard company presidents in many cases express confidence in business prospects for the rest of the year.

SOFT SPOTS

But there also were those, like Du Pont President Crawford H. Greenewald, who reported many "soft spots" were appearing.

Railroads got a long-awaited piece of good news this week as the Interstate Commerce Commission allowed them to boost freight rates by six per cent in the East and nine per cent in the South and West. The increases will be effective May 2 except for grains on which the date is May 17.

Forum Topic Christianity

Four of five major factors concerned in the future of the Klamath country have thus far been explored in the weekly "Build the Basin" radio forums; the fifth factor is to be discussed on Monday evening's program.

This fifth factor is Christianity and Monday's forum question will be: "What is the role of Christianity in Building the Basin?"

Over the four factors talked over in previous forums were political, economic, educational and social. Many believe this fifth factor, Christianity is the most important of the five.

The panel for the Christianity discussion will be comprised of both ministers and laymen representing several denominations.

An usual, public service program offered by the Herald and News and KFLW, will go on the air at 8:30 p.m.

After brief introductory remarks from panel members questions and comments from the listening audience will be discussed. A special telephone-clerical crew will handle incoming calls through the Herald and News switchboard.

County School Budget Shows Increase of About \$63,000

The financial needs of the Klamath County school system will come to a grand total of \$1,709,358.53 for the 1952-53 fiscal year, according to the budget prepared for the school district May 19.

That's an increase of about \$63,000 over the current year.

A good deal of the increase will stem from a \$100 a year cost-of-living pay increase to be granted teachers of the system. The increase will make the lowest teaching salary in the county system \$2,928 a year and the highest \$4,725, based on education and experience.

The budget was prepared by school board members Roy Gienger, Cecil Haley, A. L. Garrison, Don Colwell and Elmer Lemler, and budget committeemen Ralph Hill,

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Upper Lake Near Capacity



HIGHWATERS OF LINK RIVER have backed up on the low ground off Conger to surround one building and threaten others at the Julian Eccles place on the river. A very high flow of water is going down the river today, and the flow was further complicated by high winds last night that pushed even more water out of Upper Klamath Lake into Link River.

Pearson Raps Sweetland In Demo Dinner Fracas

(Editor's Note: Herald and News political writer Hale Scarborough called the turn on a Democratic National Convention last night. In a story written last night before the Roseburg outbreak, Scarborough described the Democratic disharmony and named the principal opponents. Scarborough's story is on page 14 today.)

ROSEBURG (AP)—State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson told a Jackson-Jefferson Day dinner audience last night that Oregon Democratic Party harmony was impossible because of the "Sweetland group."

Pearson, principal speaker at the dinner in the Evergreen Grange hall, devoted his remarks to an attack on Monroe Sweetland, Oregon Democratic National Committeeman.

His address was interrupted by exchanges with Howard Morgan, Democratic state chairman, and Sidney Linken, a Roseburg lumberman who walked out.

NO COMMENT

Sweetland, who sat only four seats away from Pearson made no comment during the state treasurer's address. He said later that Pearson had "clearly aligned himself with the DeCicco-Mahoney-Granet disruptive element in Oregon Democratic Party."

Pearson told the 80 at the dinner that the "Sweetland group" included Democrats, some left-wing Republicans and "quite a few Socialists."

"It is my opinion that as long as the Democrats of this state continue to allow this small minority to influence our political fortunes we will not elect many qualified candidates," Pearson said.

Pearson said he had been informed by Republicans that they have no fear of losing control of the Legislature or top state offices as long as Sweetland was in control.

He said he has always advocated party harmony, but within the last four years harmony has been impossible.

'PRETTY RANK'

Linken, seeking election as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention, interrupted Pearson to say: "I think that's pretty rank what you're pulling tonight." Then he walked out.

Mike DeCicco, Portland, another speaker outlined his qualification as a candidate to the Democratic National Convention.

"Pearson's ill-tempered speech is the release of pent up bitterness from two major defeats—first his poor third in the 1950 gubernatorial primary and again this year when he was defeated for state Democratic chairman," Sweetland said.

"His outburst is helpful to clear the air so the Oregon Democrats may choose their leadership in rank and file voting May 18," Sweetland added.

His earlier reference to the DeCicco-Mahoney-Granet element was to Mike DeCicco; State Sen. Thomas Mahoney, Portland, and Nicholas Granet, former Multnomah County Democratic Chairman, to accept the budget.

ANCIENT COIN FOUND

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (AP)—A Roman coin found by a man digging an excavation here was taken to museum authorities, who pronounced it a relic "probably from the years A.D. 35 to 60." The ancient coin has a likeness of Nero.

Link River Backs Up To Houses

A giant volume of water, 6,140 second feet, was pouring out of Upper Klamath Lake and down through Link River today, according to measurement at the California Oregon Power Company plant on the river, and the heavy flow was causing concern and some damage all along the line.

Upper Klamath Lake was reported within about a foot of its maximum storage capacity.

But the Bureau of Reclamation is to start priming its main canal Monday to take irrigation water out of the lake at the headwaters of Link River, and that should relieve some of the pressure.

SPREADING

Water in Link River today was spreading onto the lower ground in back of the houses along Conger, and for several days there has been dike trouble along the edge of Lake Ewanna.

The depredation of rats and of years has seriously weakened the dike holding the water back from low farming land located between the lake and U.S. 97 and considerable work has had to be done to prevent a general break and flood of that land. The land is owned by Howard Barnhiel an Lacey Shaw.

Other dike trouble was reported at Sheep Lake in the Lower Klamath area of Siskiyou County, where water yesterday spilled over the Bureau of Reclamation dike.

High water some time ago washed out a swinging bridge at Copco's Keno bridge, and logs and debris piling up against the dam there have slowed the flow of water on down the Klamath River, accounting for some of the high water troubles back this way.

DIVERSION

The Bureau of Reclamation has had Lost River water pouring through the J canal on down into Tule Lake since early this month, and also is still shunting Lost River water through the diversion channel to empty into the Klamath River.

But farm lands in the past few weeks dried out remarkably fast after the heavy winter snows and have been reporting themselves ready for irrigation water for the past week.

Weather

FORECAST: Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California, fair and cool through Sunday. Northernly winds, 15 to 30 miles an hour. Low tonight 29, high Sunday 69.

High Friday 75
Low last night 28

FRANCE BEST CUSTOMER

SAIGON, Indo-China (AP)—France is still Indo-China's best customer for her exports of rice, tea, rubber, maize, cement and other products. Thirty-eight per cent of the total value of Indo-Chinese exports in 1951 went to France. This, however, was 6 per cent lower than in the preceding year.

Vapor Trails Cause Alert

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vapor trails in the sky sighted from the ground in Alaska set off a brief precautionary air alert throughout North America Friday.

The U. S. Air Defense Command said it never determined whether planes actually were over Alaska. The vapor trails disappeared and whatever caused them was not picked up on radar. High-flying craft usually leave such trails.

While word of the alert was being flashed across country from Air Defense headquarters at Colorado Springs, Colo., three unidentified aircraft were spotted at 18,000 feet over New England.

Fighter interceptors of the Eastern Air Defense Command quickly took flight and found the planes were an Air Force transport and two commercial airliners that had not been properly reported through channels.



AMERICAN HUK LEADER GREETED WIFE—William J. Pomeroy, ex-American soldier of Rochester, N.Y., who was serving with Filipino communist-led Huk and captured by Philippine Army Forces, greets his Filipina wife, Celia Mariano, in Manila, following her capture. A Philippine Army spokesman quoted Pomeroy as saying, "Thank God she is safe in the hands of army."

Timber Strike Deadline Near

PORTLAND (AP)—Some 50,000 CIO woodworkers in five Western States will strike April 28 unless the industry's 700 employers offer acceptable wage increases, a union official said Friday.

A. F. Hartung, president of the International Woodworkers of America, said that a recent strike vote, taken among the union's members in Oregon, Washington, Northern California, Idaho and Montana, showed that 85 per cent favored the strike to back up wage demands.

The Weyerhaeuser Timber Company already has reached an agreement with the union. The company agreed to increase wages 7 1/2 cents an hour and provide other contract benefits.

Other employer groups are continuing negotiations.