

# CONS SEIZE PRISON UNITS

## Key Primaries Set This Week

By FRANK JENKINS  
President Truman blew his top the other day over cuts of four to six billions of dollars that have been made tentatively, at least by the house of representatives in his defense fund requests.

Shaking his fist angrily, he charged that "congress is engaging in this take economy wave so when they go home they can make a lot of stump speeches to try to get elected."

Holding up his right arm with fist clenched, he added: "There's only one thing these congressmen understand, and that is this (pointing):" He went on to say that anybody who thinks slashes in the defense program are true economy ought to have his head examined. He concluded:

"If I have to call a special turnip day session of congress every day between now and the first day of next January, we are going to get this thing done and done right."

Being thus bitten in the leg by the President, members of the house armed services committee bit right back, asserting that the slashes in the military budget merely eliminated Truman's waste and excesses.

Isn't that a pretty kettle of fish? I wonder if a great nation, assuming world leadership in a crisis in mankind's affairs, could get any sillier.

What is the truth of the matter? I don't know, but I'm pretty certain that if congress and the President went about the job seriously and cooperatively they could squeeze six billion dollars out of our fantastically swollen federal expenditures without anybody even missing it—except possibly a few minor bureaucrats and bondholders who might lose their jobs as a result of the squeezing.

I'll bet we'd even be MORE EFFICIENT if we cut out our drunkard spending and got down to the hard brass tacks of getting a dollar's worth of results for every dollar put out. Did you ever see an efficient wastrel?

I sometimes wonder about these big corporations. Are they really as smart and super-efficient as they claim to be?

That crack is prompted by an AP dispatch relating that in 1951 Charles E. Wilson, president of General Motors, earned a total (in bonuses and salary) of \$569,000. A company statement says the federal income tax on that amount would be approximately \$470,000.

Albert Bradley, executive vice-president and chairman of the finance policy committee, earned \$486,100. Harlow H. Curtis, executive vice-president in charge of general staff activities, got \$471,200. Frederick G. Donner, vice-president in charge of finance, received \$391,195.

Taxes of these others must have bitten relatively as deeply as in the case of President Wilson.

The AP dispatch adds that under General Motors bonus plan 64 top executives and directors earned a total of \$10,800,419 last year.

Mind you, I'm not complaining about the size of the salaries and bonuses going to General Motors' top brass. Management EARNINGS PAY the same as labor, and it is an accepted principle in business that the bigger the responsibility the bigger the pay. Labor recognizes that principle, just as management does. Top union officials get big pay and earn it by the responsibility they carry.

What I'm questioning is the plain horse sense of paying huge salaries and bonuses to high-up corporation executives, who, after pumping up Uncle Sam, have only relatively small amounts left.

If that ten million dollars received by General Motors' 64 top executives and directors had been distributed out in dividends to GM's 452,000 shareholders, most of whom are in relatively low income tax brackets, the tax on it would have been far less. If it had been cut in half, this upper echelon of GM management would still have received nice pay checks, of which a much larger share would have been take-home pay, the shareholders would have benefited, and the total tax would have been smaller.

The answer, I suppose, is that GM saved a lot of taxes by paying those high salaries and charging them to expense. That illustrates the screwball nature of our present economy.



SWITCHBOARDING at the police station when the 9 O'clock camera snapped this morning was Priscilla Andrews, PHX operator at the City Hall.

### Annual Spring Fair Thursday

Several hundred Klamath County 4-H'ers are scheduled to participate in this week's annual Spring Fair at the County Fairgrounds. It starts Thursday, with doors open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. First day features include demonstrations on everything from electricity and heating to cooking, clothing and forestry.

### Man Burned By Gasoline

TULELAKE — Ignited gasoline, thrown by the backfire of an automobile seriously burned a Klamath Falls resident in Tulelake last night.

Ray Fisher, 24, 626 No. 9th, is in Klamath Valley Hospital with burns on face, head, arms and chest. His condition this morning was reported as fair.

Fisher, in attempting to start an automobile parked on Main street near the Bank of America last night, poured gasoline in the vehicle's carburetor from a half gallon can, nearly full. An unidentified companion stepped on the starter at Fisher's request and the gasoline was thrown, evidently by the force of the backfire, over Fisher.

### Idaho Democrats pick a dozen presidential-nominating delegates Monday as a sort of prelude to similar but bigger-scale doings Tuesday in Pennsylvania and New York.

The Idaho delegation to the national convention in Chicago will be chosen at a state convention in Lewiston. Despite wooing by Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee and Robert Kerr of Oklahoma, the group is expected to be unopposed on how to cast its 12 votes next July.

**BIG FACTORS**  
Many more delegate votes are riding on the outcome of Tuesday's primaries in Pennsylvania and New York. In Pennsylvania, Republicans and Democrats elect 60 large delegates each already have district delegates each already have been chosen. New York names 96 Republican and 94 Democratic delegates.

Both parties in both states will send their delegates to Chicago without instructions.

New York Gov. Thomas Dewey's backing of Dwight Eisenhower seemed to assure the general the bulk of the GOP votes there, but backers of Sen. Robert Taft of Ohio were claiming 20 delegates.

**TWO NAMES**  
In Pennsylvania's presidential preference primary there were only two names on the ballot, both Republicans — Eisenhower and former Gov. Harold Stassen of Minnesota. Taft bowed out, saying it was a waste of time and money inasmuch as results are not binding on delegates.

Pennsylvania Democrats had no presidential hopefuls on the ballot for whom to express a preference. However, backers of Kefauver were looking for a number of write-ins for their man.

### Hookero

THORNE, Eng. — The Royal Humane Society awarded its heroism medal Monday to a fisherman who saved the life of a three-year-old boy by hooking onto his clothes and reeling him in.

Fisherman John Wood couldn't swim, but last October, when little Errol Mountcastle fell into the water, Wood cast his hook with bulleye accuracy, snagged the boy's clothing and nonchalantly reeled him ashore.

### Courts Thumps Oil Company

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court Monday upheld 7-0 a finding that the Richfield Oil Corporation of Los Angeles violated the anti-trust laws by requiring 2,965 western service stations to buy only from Richfield.

The finding has been made by U. S. District Judge Leon R. Yankwich of Los Angeles.

The high court's decision was announced in an unsigned order which noted that Justice Clark had disqualified himself from the case and Justice Frankfurter had taken no part because he was ill at the time it was argued.

The illegal agreements affected service stations in California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Idaho and Arizona.

The Justice Department told the Supreme Court the 2,965 stations sold 7.5 per cent of all the gasoline sold by retailers in the six states and that in 1950 the Richfield stations distributed some 43 million dollars of petroleum products and accessories.

Richfield asked the high tribunal to overturn Judge Yankwich's decision on the ground it extended the anti-trust laws "beyond their language and purpose."

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## The Wreck Kills Man

### Ranch Hand Victim Of Car Crackup

TULELAKE — A speeding automobile that jumped an irrigation ditch and settled back into a small flow of water brought death early Sunday morning to a resident of Hayward.

Dead is Walter Paul Jackson, 26, farm worker employed by H.T. Osborne.

Jackson, according to an eye witness, Mrs. Edna Boggs, traveling behind the 1949 Ford sedan, was traveling at a high rate of speed. His car narrowly missed the abutment of a concrete bridge across a deep canal, then left the right-hand side of highway 129, jumped about 25 feet into the bank and rebounded, upside down in the ditch. He was pinned inside the car.

The accident happened one mile north of here near the Crawford and Wolfe warehouse.

Jerry Ternus of the city police force was called to the scene by Mrs. Boggs. O. E. Pedersen, deputy coroner investigated the accident. An autopsy held here today revealed Jackson died from multiple skull injuries. The body was taken to Ward's Funeral Home and will be shipped to Oakland Calif. for funeral services.

Surviving are his widow, Dorothy, a son, Walter Paul Jackson Jr., daughter Linda all of Hayward his father H. A. Jackson, Burk Burnett, Texas; three brothers, Ross Jackson, U.S. Navy, Russell Jackson, San Leandro, Robert Jackson, North Carolina; also a sister, Lenora Hager, Red Bluff.

### Christianity on Forum Tonight



PASTOR HOLLOWAY



PASTOR CASSIDY



PASTOR GRAEF



RONALD PHAIR



FRANK SEXTON

### Basin Church Study Slated

"What is Christianity's role in building the Basin?"

Five prominent churchmen are to be on tonight's Build the Basin radio forum to consider this question. The program goes on the air over KFLW at 8:30 p.m.

On the panel are: the Rev. Lloyd Holloway, First Methodist Church; the Rev. Richard E. Graef, Zion Lutheran Church; the Rev. Donald Cassidy, Congregational Church; Ronald Phair, president of the Klamath branch of the Church of Latter Day Saints; and Frank Sexton, active in Sacred Heart Church work.

There has been a growing demand for tonight's forum topic. It has been pointed out that previous forums have considered the factors of politics, economy, society and education in connection with the Basin's future; this fifth factor, Christianity, rounds out the basic needs for future strength of the Basin.

As usual, a special telephone crew will man the Herald and News switchboard to take questions and comments from the audience.

### Daylight Time Decision Due

SALEM — Oregon will know Tuesday whether it will have daylight saving time this summer.

Gov. Douglas McKay said Monday. The governor said he has almost completed his investigation on whether he should order the state's clocks set ahead one hour next Sunday.

He said the only thing that he has yet to check is whether the city of Tacoma, Wash., will have daylight time.

The state law provides that Oregon can't have daylight time unless the governor proclaims it for the whole state. He can proclaim it only if he finds the state's economy would be damaged by staying on standard time.

The governor regards the action to be taken by Washington cities on the time question as important. He said that Vancouver and Longview, Wash., will go along with Oregon.

### Crater Snow Still Heavy

There's still plenty of snow at Crater Lake, but spring air brought out 229 persons over the weekend just the same, according to a report received here from Ranger Richard Ward.

The crowd came in 214 automobiles, and there were 14 skiers on the snow.

Roads are clear, Ward reported, and the warming bit is open every day.

Snow depth at Park headquarters was 157 inches when measured this morning, according to a ranger, but there are still 30-foot snow drifts at the rim.

### Big Explosion Fired for Dam

THE DALLES — Another huge blast set off in the Columbia River here Sunday to prepare the river's bed for construction of The Dalles Dam.

The dynamite blast, the largest so far, shot water more than 1,000 feet into the air.

Hundreds of spectators watched from nearby bluffs.

Not far away about 400 Oregon and Washington Indians held their annual spring salmon and root festival a thanksgiving ceremony.

The festival was one of the last to be held since the dam will flood the traditional Indian fishing grounds at Celilo Falls.

### Weather

FORECAST — Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California: Sunny and warm Monday, mostly clear Monday night. Partly cloudy and cooler Tuesday with a few brief showers. High Monday 65, low Monday night 35. High Tuesday 57.

High temperature yesterday — 51  
Low last night — 32  
Precip yesterday — 0  
Since Oct. 1 — 14.22  
Normal for period — 9.94  
Same period last year — 12.86

### PT&T Workers Back on Jobs

By The Associated Press  
Oregon Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. workers, on strike since last Tuesday, returned to work Monday.

Picket lines were withdrawn except at the Western Electric warehouse in Portland as negotiations continued in New York in an attempt to reach an agreement with the Western Electric sales force.

In Washington, too, only the Western Electric warehouse at Seattle was picketed.

The Oregon telephone workers, who charged a lockout and left their jobs, agreed at a meeting with company representatives Sunday to remove pickets and go back to work.

A company spokesman said they would be reassigned to regular jobs as quickly as possible and that all should be back within 24 hours.

The workers, members of the CIO Communications Workers of America, struck in protest when the company announced it could not guarantee regular employment to those who did not report regularly.

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### Firm Lowers Price of Cars

DETROIT — The first substantial price reduction to be announced by any auto company in many months became effective Monday with a \$100 to \$168 cut in Kaiser-Frazer's Henry J line.

However, the reduction does not indicate a trend in auto prices generally, according to automotive authorities. Increases, authorized by the Capehart Amendment to the National Defense Act, have been the rule and there isn't likely to be any definite price action by other manufacturers until uncertainty about steel prices has been removed.

Automotive circles interpret the K-F action in reducing Henry J model prices as an effort to readjust the competitive position between this newest model in the Kaiser-Frazer line and the average price of other somewhat larger cars in the lower-priced field.

Rumor has had it that some K-F dealers have been protesting that their sales problems had been intensified by the fact the differential between the Henry J models and average Ford, Chevrolet and Plymouth models was relatively small.

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## Guards Held By Rioters In Michigan

JACKSON, Mich. — Six more guards were seized as hostages by mutineers at the state prison of Southern Michigan Monday.

This brought to ten the number of hostages held by the prisoners. Four other guards had been in the prisoners' custody since Sunday night.

The method of seizure of the additional six was not immediately made clear at the prison.

The first gunfire of the prison riot meanwhile took place.

State police fired four shots when rioters were said to have threatened guards of a work party inside the grounds.

The police said the shots were "warning shots" and were fired over the heads of the convicts.

The gunshots came as rioting prisoners still held control of a large portion of the mammoth prison in a continuation of an outbreak that began Sunday night.

**REINFORCEMENTS**  
The bulk of the Michigan state police force was rushed to the scene to guard the beleaguered institution and prevent any possible mass escape attempts.

Half a dozen prison guards had been injured as the rioting spread into mid-morning.

The quartermaster building, containing clothing, was set ablaze.

State police used tear gas to keep some of the rioters from breaking into other cell blocks.

Meanwhile, another group broke into the prison theater, seized musical instruments and paraded in the yard.

At 11 a.m. officials reported they had secured control of about half the prison.

Many prisoners had been returned to cells.

Several hundred, however, still were rioting.

They were breaking windows and raiding.

**SHOP FIRED**  
The butcher shop also was set afire. Some prisoners volunteered to fight the blaze. They were equipped with gas masks and hand extinguishers to do the job.

Brooks said the question of "suppressing" the rioters would have to be considered afterwards.

The fire in the quartermaster building threatened the destruction of a supply of prison guards' uniforms.

State police and guards sought a means of wheeling the prison's fire truck into the yard to put out the blaze.

Southern Michigan prison is reputedly the world's largest. It has 6,481 inmates. Of these 4,978 are within the walls. The others are trustees or work camp prisoners.

At the height of the rioting officials said that fully 1,600 prisoners were involved.

The original mutineers in cell block 15 went in for publicity, demanding a newspaper man's presence and forcing a hostage, with knife at his throat, to pose for pictures at a barred window.



**NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS** to preside over Oregon De Molays the coming year gathered in a group Saturday night at the Armory. They are (l to r): Bill Cox, Portland, Deputy Master Councilor; State Master Councilor Vernon Thompson, Roseburg; State Junior Councilor Bud Parker, Newport, and Marvin Nerseth, Klamath Falls, State Senior Councilor.

## W. A. Van Buskirk Dies In New Mexico Hospital

William A. (Bill) Van Buskirk, 51, vice president and service manager at Balsiger Motor Company, died Sunday morning at a Tucuman, N. M. hospital as result of a heart attack suffered earlier.

The body is to be brought here for funeral services and burial sometime this week.

Van Buskirk had been associated with Elmer Balsiger in the business here since September, 1928, and was also interested in other Balsiger enterprises here, in Tulelake and Lakeview.

He and Mrs. Van Buskirk had been on a business and vacation trip back east and were driving a new pickup truck and house trailer home. He suffered a heart attack at Cleveland, O., and then another at Tucuman.



**TOP ANGUSTES**—Charles T. Ryan, president of the Pacific Coast Aberdeen Angus Breeder's Association from Anderson, Calif., discusses the sale underway today at the Fairgrounds with Second Vice Pres. Edward Parson, Payette, Ida., and Mrs. Ryan. Mrs. Ryan is president of the women's auxiliary to the association which meets whenever a sale brings them together.

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