

# MERCHANTS BACK TIME CHANGE

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Discouraging in this column the other day on the subject of spending, I was moved to ask if anybody around here is mathematically enough to figure out how long it would take us to PAY BACK our 200 billion dollar national debt at the rate of \$1,000 a minute.

When the paper came out, Gordie Lee, owner of the radio side of our establishment, reached for his slide rule and came up in a few minutes with the statement that, not allowing for leap years or for interest, it would take us 493 years.

Uncomfortable thought: I'm afraid I'll never live to see our country out of debt.

What got me off on that line was a recent statement by Congressman Hubert Reeder, of California, to the effect that if somebody with a billion dollars had started in the year 1 A. D. to throw it away at the rate of \$1,000 a day he'd still have enough left in this year of our Lord 1952 to last him until the year 2929—or nearly a thousand years hence.

What he was seeking to prove by illustration is that a billion dollars is a lot of money to everybody except our spenders in Washington. THEIR story, of course, is that this is a big country and calls for big spending.

True enough. Still I think I'd like to recommend to the members of our congress a re-reading of Boswell's Life of Dr. Johnson in which this sage (financial) advice is offered in one of Dr. Johnson's letters to Boswell.

"Whatever you have, SPEND LESS."

If our government had followed that advice ever the past 30 years, we'd all be a lot better off.

Congressman Reeder lives in Sebastopol. That suggests another question: Who knows how Sebastopol, California, got its name?

Well, it's a rather interesting story.

About a century and a half ago, the Russians got the idea that they'd like to have a slice of what is now the American Pacific Coast. What really interested them was the beautifully-furred animal known as the sea otter, and the otter's pelt was valuable and the Muscovy of the day was not above turning a quick rouble at every opportunity.

So, pursuing the sea otter, the minions of the czar crossed over to Alaska, established headquarters at Sitka, and gradually spread outward almost to San Francisco Bay. Sebastopol was about the southernmost point of their penetration, and they named it for the Russian city of the same name in the winter resort.

That's also where the name Russian River comes from.

When the sea otter began to peter out, the Russians lost interest in expansion southward along the Pacific Coast and eventually withdrew to Alaska. In the course of time, we BOUGHT Alaska to get rid of 'em.

That, I'm afraid, started a bad precedent.

When Stalin got brass over World War II and became an IMPERIALIST, after the manner of the czar, we started in BUYING HIM OFF, too. I suppose we thought we could stop him that way, as we had stopped his predecessors a century and a half before.

It didn't work. Whereas the Russians of the czar got out their millions and got out of Alaska and stayed out, Stalin took everything we offered in the way of appeasement and yelled lustily for MORE.

The more we appeased, the more he demanded.

He's obviously a different breed of Russian cat—just as much of an imperialist as the czars were but bolder, greedier, a smarter trader and a shrewder psychologist. Every time we bought him off, from Tehran and Yalta on, he dug up something else to sell us AND DEMANDED A HIGHER PRICE FOR IT.

## Tule to Name Man of Year

TULELAKE — Man-of-the-year, Mr. Tulelake of 1951 will be introduced Saturday night at a dinner in the American Legion Hall that will climax community celebration of the town's 100th anniversary as an incorporated municipality.

Presentation of the award will be based on past contributions to the welfare of the community. Future awards will be based on accomplishment in the year given.

John Edmonds, president of the Tulelake 20-30 Club will emcee the dinner to be served by the Guild of the Tulelake Community Church.

A banquet will be held at the outstanding basket ball player of the season chosen from the high school Honker squad by team members will be announced.

**OLD AND NEW**

With Gen. Eisenhower Jr. heads the 20-30 committee that has made plans for the celebration that will include a 1 p.m. parade down Main street. Theme of the parade will be "The Old and the New."

E. L. Booth was the town's first mayor. Councilmen were Charles K. Wiese, George Reiben, L. J. Horton and E. L. McElroy, clerk.

This month also marks sale of the first lots in the township by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation in 1931.

Sponsoring organizations for the celebration in addition to the 20-30 Club are the Chamber of Commerce, American Legion, Post No. 164, VFW, Newell Homesick Club, Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, and the Volunteer Fire Department.



BETH CHASE (above) nails up a Basin Roundup poster with one of her six-guns. She's the new secretary-treasurer of the Roundup.

## Bongwrong Roundup Gets New Secretary

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — Police telephoned Drugist Saul Witschner at Menlo Park that the burglar alarm was ringing in his Redwood City store.

"Aw turn it off and forget it," he said at the sleepy hour of 1 a.m.

The bell's gone off that way three times before.

But Wednesday when Witschner arrived at his store he found something else gone, too—\$250 from the cash box and \$500 worth of merchandise.

## Klamath Man Wins Farm

A man from Klamath Falls and one from Lapine are among 42 ex-servicemen whose names have been drawn for farms in the Columbia Basin project near Othello, Wash.

They are Arthur Tall, 2555 Kane, and Clarence Parsons, Lapine.

The 42 will be given first choice at buying government farms which will receive irrigation water on the project next year. Prices range from \$300 to \$2,000.

Nearly 3,200 names were in a pickle jar from which the 42 were drawn.

Thill had not been notified this morning that his name was one of those drawn. He is at Diamond Lake working for the Biggs logging firm.

## Fire Destroys Lumber Stock

High winds whipped sparks out of burning the Ellingson plant on the Klamath River late this morning, and flames fanned out in a nearby lumber pile.

According to estimates, about six carloads of lumber was burned in the blaze which threatened to take an entire lumber yard. The wind could have made the blaze dangerous for the planing mill itself.

The CAA reported wind gusts up to about 40 miles per hour, with a run of about 30 average. The wind swept up the Klamath River to fan the sparks.

The county fire wagon was called but an Ellingson crew had already doused the flames. The KPFA was also notified.

## Kansas City Dikes Hold

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The wild Missouri River leveled off at Kansas City Thursday with no major damage to rich lowland industrial areas.

The dikes held this time as the river reached a stage of 30.8 feet and stayed there for ten hours.

Then it edged up to 30.64, almost six feet less than last year's devastating flood.

## Taft Optimistic Despite Slight Majority Of Delegates; Ike Backers Also Confident

By The Associated Press

With Gen. Eisenhower's estimated 220 delegates pressing hard behind his own 238, Sen. Taft said Thursday he believes he can win the majority of the 60 GOP delegates at stake in the week ahead.

Referring to presidential preference primaries and conventions which will select delegates in Colorado, Utah, Delaware, Arizona and Arkansas, Taft said:

"We face a fight everywhere but it looks pretty good."

But Eisenhower's campaign managers were optimistic too. They predicted in the wake of the general's victories in New York and Pennsylvania, that he will be nominated on the first ballot at the July national convention.

Latest reports from New York, where Republicans last Tuesday chose 90 of the state's 95 delegates

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## Cancer Drive Opens May 5

The annual drive for help by the Klamath chapter of the American Cancer Society will kick off here May 5. Drive Chairman Elton Smith announced today.

Unlike practically every other fund campaign of its kind, the Cancer drive won't have any announced quota, and will be carried on for about two weeks.

Mrs. Gerald Cosgrove will head the residential division for the drive. She is the president of the Women's Medical Auxiliary here.

Heading the business division will be Richard Wilson and Robert Thomson. Mrs. Juanita O'Hair is service and education chairman, making public appearances.

County chairmen include: Merrill, Mrs. Ivan Kandara; Bly, Mrs. Harry Obenchain and Mrs. L. L. Griffin; Chemult, Mrs. William Taylor; Chiloquin, Mrs. Frank Parker; Keno, Mrs. George Mason; Beatty, Leo Flanagan; Langell Valley, Christine Brown.

More are to be named later.

A new film titled "Man Alive" is to arrive here soon for showings to service and other interested groups, Smith reported.

Two Christian women's groups—Orions and Women of the First Christian Church (under Mrs. Charles McFarlan and Mrs. David Harbison respectively)—have been preparing special bandages prepared for cancer victims especially.

Smith said there were many local people who may need them but don't know they are available. They may be obtained by phoning Mrs. Keith O'Hair at The Memorial Chapel.

Smith pointed out that 25 per cent of the funds raised go to research, while all but a small administrative portion go to educating the American people.

## Steel Battle Back in Court

By The Associated Press

The fight over government control of the steel industry shifted back to a federal court Thursday.

A new strike of employees of the Western Electric Company was threatened unless efforts were renewed to settle another that has been in effect for 18 days.

Attorneys for leading steel firms sought a preliminary injunction from Judge David A. Pine in Washington in a move to force the government to surrender the mills it seized April 8.

An attorney for U.S. Steel Corp., biggest of the steel companies, accused the government of trying to "foist on management" wage increases for the CIO Steelworkers Union.

The attorney, Theodore Klend, said the government is not "trying to preserve production of steel."

He asked Judge Pine to issue a temporary injunction that would forbid Secretary of Commerce Sawyer from taking any steps to carry out Truman's seizure order.

Klend told the court the damage would be "almost incalculable" if Sawyer's injunction were issued and union ship recommendations made by the Wage Stabilization Board.

In the industry's first court attempt to declare the seizure illegal, Judge Alexander Holtz said there had been no showing of "irreparable damage."

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# Michigan Prison Revolt Ends, 8 Hostages Safe

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HOSTAGES HELD AT KNIFE POINT—Southern Michigan Prison Guard Harold J. Carrier is held with a knife at his back in the prison yard at Jackson, while inmate Earl Ward, a spokesman for other inmates, speaks across the yard to newsmen and prison officials.

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Roger Tubby, assistant presidential press secretary, called in reporters nearly three hours after Truman's news conference statement to give them a clarification.

Tubby said Truman did not send a note to Stalin that led to the Russian evacuation, and that the President had been speaking in layman's language.

Tubby added:

"On March 6, 1946, a note was sent from the U. S. government to the Soviet government making our position perfectly plain with respect to the situation in Iran. This note was published on March 7. As you probably recall, the Russians withdrew their troops from Iran in May, 1946."

Tubby was a press officer in the State Department before he was attached to the White House.

There appeared to be reasons for reporters to infer that the State Department had been disturbed by the President's remarks.

To diplomats, the term "ultimatum" in the last word, it means telling some one your position in an "or-else-we-go-to-war" fashion.

The President had told reporters he was ready to back up his ultimatum with American troops and ships.

Truman lifted a veil of secrecy to give his versions of this and other international incidents in a news conference discussion in which he emphasized:

(1) The gravity of the world emergency of recent years.

(2) The great inherent powers he feels he has as President to deal with it, and

(3) The necessity for the United States to have strong armed forces.

## Ranches Parched, Lakes Brim-Full

The Klamath Basin watershed is undergoing one of the most treacherous spring water runoffs in local history, but not far away are lands that are becoming parched because of the lack of surface water.

Some new seedlings in pasture, hay and clover are having a rough time fighting concrete-like earth and lack of moisture in getting off to a start. In other areas there are pastures that are still under water.

Due to the past winter's snow pack, County Agent J. D. Vertrees reports some soils have built up hard crusts in thicknesses varying from soil to soil. Not many inches below, however, there's so much moisture that the soil is almost unworkable.

The Bureau of Reclamation reports it turned water into the "A" canal Tuesday, and because of possible weaknesses in dikes it will probably take about a week to fill the system.

Only about 90 second feet was being let into the canal this morning. Another 100 second feet started into the system from Clear Lake for a 24-hour run this morning, and 300 feet is being let from Gerber reservoir.

Meanwhile, Copco was reported "wasting pretty heavily" down Link River in an attempt to maintain a control level on Upper Klamath Lake . . . and there's lots more water to come.

## Public Invited To Tour OTI

The Klamath Country will be the guest of OTI tomorrow as the annual Oregon Tech open house gets underway. Saturday is high schoolers' day, with official visitations expected from some 150 students from throughout Oregon.

Three guided tours are scheduled for tomorrow.

The first is at 10 a.m., another is at 2 p.m. and the final is at 6:30 p.m. Topping off the day's events will be a campus variety show at the OTI theater starting at 8 p.m.

For high school students Saturday, classes will operate as though it was a regular day to give visitors and insight into the school's operations. After guided tours, visitors will be released to go back to the class of their choice for closer examination.

The Associated Women Students of OTI will greet all guests at the Guest House—the first building along the road leading to the campus.

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## KU Students Ballot Today

Student body elections were underway at Klamath Union High School today, with a host of candidates for several offices making it probable runoffs will have to be held next Monday.

Polling places were set up in a school room and a girls gymnasium, with all students and teachers eligible to vote.

Names on the ballot include: President — Bob Chidester, Lou Fredrickson, Clayton Hannon and George Hanson.

First Vice President—Don Dexter, Susan Gray and George Knight.

Second vice President—Kay Angstead, Louis Zarosinski.

Business Manager—Trudy Bramlett, Mai Del Fatti, David French, Kit Johnson, Lyle Mills, Harold McKay, and Tom Moore.

The winning candidate must have a majority of the votes cast. The offices with more than two candidates, consequently, will probably not find a clear cut majority at the end of voting.

Monday was set for the probable runoff elections because many students will be in Ashland tomorrow participating in the Southern Oregon Music Festival, and at various colleges in the state on official visitations for the weekend.

**LOGGER KILLED**

EUGENE (AP)—Kenneth Hayes, 25, a choker setter for Farman and Son Logging Co. of Cottage Grove, crawled under a log Wednesday afternoon at work and the log rolled, fatally crushing him.

## McKay Said Refusing To Go 'Daylight'

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## Cons Leave Cellblock Single File

JACKSON, Mich. (AP)—Tense and tired Southern Michigan prison convicts agreed Thursday to end their riotous five-day revolt, but several hours later were reported still battling among themselves.

A tough young prisoner who bolted the convict stronghold cell block 15 as a hostage guard was released reported fist-fighting and kicking among nearly 20 inmates left inside.

Kenneth Moore, 29, also told prison officials of a verbal battle over ownership of the insurrection still going on between the convicts' two top men — Earl Ward and "Crazy Jack" Hyatt.

But he said Wednesday night's retreat of a major clash between the two was "just a publicity gag" and Ward still held the upper hand.

The information from inside the forbidding brick building assured Warden Julian Frisbie that eight hostage guards still were safe.

It was to get the guards out of the power of the knife-wielding rioters that G. Mennen Williams and prison heads gave in early Thursday to the prisoners' reform demands — and threw in a steak dinner besides.

Moore told Frisbie the surrender ending the mutiny that cost \$2,000,000 and the life of one prisoner "will come by Friday noon and could come anytime."

Moore dashed from the cell block with his hands in the air as the 34-year-old Guard James Akins, in a state of nervous collapse after long days as a hostage.

## Vancouver Has Costly Blaze

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP) — A wind-whipped fire roared through Vancouver's waterfront "grain row" for three hours Wednesday, causing damage estimated at more than \$2,000,000.

The blaze, started by an explosion of grain dust, razed a grain loading plant, a large warehouse and a grain elevator. For a time, it threatened a large warehouse containing tons of high-explosive fertilizers valued at \$500,000.

Volunteers and city firemen controlled the blaze in midafternoon. No one was injured.

## RFC's Death Decree Nixed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reconstruction Finance Corporation (RFC) was sentenced to death in the Senate Wednesday and then promptly revived.

A bill to abolish the big government lending agency, offered by Sen. Byrd (D-Va.), but supported mostly by Republicans, was accepted on the first go around 43 to 37, to the astonishment of the Democratic leadership.



CAREFREE—When the 9 O'Clock Specialman showed up this morning, Michael Robinson, 3 1/2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Robinson, 2526 White, and four-year-old Dianna Lynn Penrod, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Penrod, 2529 Radcliffe, were having a big time.