

# LANE TO RUN FOR MAYOR

## Farm Price Question May Again Be Political Football

WASHINGTON (AP)—Will farm prices become a major issue on how farmers vote for President this year?

Four years ago at this time, they were a red hot political topic. Secretary Agriculture Brannan had already taken out the Republican-controlled Congress, blaming it for a sharp downturn in grain prices.

The Brannan campaign has been credited with a major role in obtaining the Midwestern farm support that helped President Truman win his upset victory over Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

Insofar as prices are concerned, the history of 1948 is being repeated to a considerable extent this year. Farm prices as a whole—as well as prices of many individual farm products—are lower now than they were at this time in 1948 and a year ago.

Yet little political attention has been focused on this situation—either by Democrats or Republicans. Some political observers have predicted that farmers will be more interested this fall in such issues as war and peace, taxes, government control, and charges of corruption and communism in government, than in farm prices.

Agriculture Department reports show that farm prices as a whole are 2 per cent lower than at this time in 1948. They show also that the prices farmers pay out for what they need are about 12 per cent higher than in 1948.

Much of the 1948 campaign was centered on Democratic charges that a Republican Congress had restricted government grain storage contracts to such an extent that farmers were unable to take advantage of federal price support programs.

Yet this year department reports show market prices for wheat are further below the 1948 level than they were in 1948. In the summer of 1948, farmers received an average of \$1.98 a bushel for wheat or only 2 cents below the support level.

So far this summer, wheat prices have averaged around \$2, or about 20 cents below the level the department said at planting time it would support this year's crop.

Officials are predicting that this year's corn crop may sell from 5 to 10 cents a bushel below the price support rate at harvest time. Farmers are getting an average of about \$26 per 100 pounds for hogs in the summer of 1948. They now are receiving around \$21. Beef cattle prices are about the same. Soybeans at \$3 a bushel now are down about 60 cents from four years ago. Wool, at 53 cents a pound, is 4 cents above four years ago. Eggs sold for an average of 46 cents a dozen four years ago compared with 43 cents now.

The department has forecast that farmers' net income—amount left after paying production costs—would be down from last year's \$14,900,000,000. The net farm income in 1948 was \$15,738,000,000.

## Child Dies In Bly Fire

BLY—Three-year-old Junior Miller was fatally burned in a fire that raced through the vacated City Cleaners building here yesterday afternoon.

The child was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Miller, who live next door to the fire scene.

He was apparently in the building with an older sister, Barbara, 10, and brother Kenneth, 6, when the fire started. Witnesses said the older children ran from the building.

The Bly Volunteer Fire Department stopped the flames before they destroyed the building, and found the child's body partly burned. Cause of the fire was not announced, but it was thought the youngsters were playing with matches.

The building was vacated a couple of years ago, and went through one fire a year ago. It is owned by Paul Gilbert, former Bly resident.

## Waterfowl Disease Cut

TULELAKE—Only a slight outbreak of botulism in the critical Tulelake-Lower Klamath area has been evident this season despite the fact this is the peak season for the disease among migratory waterfowl, according to an announcement by Refuge Mgr. Tom Horn.

Aug. 20 is normally the high point of the botulism season, but the far Aug. 6 and 7 was the worst of the year.

At that time, Horn said, 285 mallards and pintails were lost and 45 sick birds hospitalized. The manager said quick water management through the cooperation of the Klamath Drainage District nipped that outbreak in the bud.

With the help of the Bureau of Reclamation the manager said water levels have been maintained at desirable levels and waterfowl have been negligible, except along the undiked south shore of the lower slump where narrow leather edges exist regardless of water levels. There 92 dead birds and 46 sick ones have been picked up.

Horn estimated the present population of the area at over 100,000 mallards and pintails—including both Tule and Lower Klamath Lakes—and called the low level of botulism "unprecedented."

In 1947, the disease has struck hard at large numbers of birds, and the refuge has been working on several projects to dispel the disease.

## Solon Scoffs At Oil Report

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Homer Ferguson of Michigan declared Tuesday that a disputed government report on oil cartels, which the State Department labeled as secret, is "neither new nor very surprising."

Ferguson, a Republican, said the report "for the most part is just a re-hash of the findings" of a Senate investigating committee which he headed in the Republican-controlled 80th Congress.

President Truman decided to lift the secrecy ban on the report after its publication was demanded by Sen. John Sparkman of Alabama the Democratic nominee for vice president.

The report was written a year ago by Federal Trade Commission staff experts. It concerns international oil deals by an alleged cartel which has been charged with shipping U.S. foreign aid funds.

## UN Bombers In New Raid

SEOUL, Korea (AP)—The U. S. Fifth Air Force said about 200 Air Force and Navy warplanes today hit a Communist ammunition supply and troop billeting area on the Korean West Coast about 25 miles northwest of the Red capital of Pyongyang.

The Air Force said U. S. Sabre jets damaged one of four Russian-made MIG-15 jets intercepted about 100 miles north of Pyongyang.

Planes from American carriers operating on the Korean East Coast hit the target first—shortly after noon. They were followed by Fifth Air Force fighter-bombers.

There were eight separate targets in the area, the Air Force said.

Returning pilots reported early claims of 58 buildings demolished and five damaged. Big explosions rocked the area as bombs smacked into ammunition stores. Flames raged through the target, center of more than 300 buildings.

The warplanes struck as bright sun broke over the quiet battlefront, soaked by typhoon rains.

## State Travel Record Due

PORTLAND (AP)—Tourist travel probably will reach a new high in Oregon this year, a Portland Chamber of Commerce official said Tuesday.

V. A. McNeil, director of the chamber's visitors' service, said more tourists were in evidence than ever before, some 200 inquiring for information daily, compared with 150 a day last year.

He also said highway officials estimate tourist traffic is up on all major highways in the state, except the Columbia River route.

## X-Ray Program Has High Aim

A goal of 1,000 X-rays has been set for next Monday when the mobile X-ray unit sets up shop in downtown Klamath Falls at the corner of 8th and Main Streets. . . if it's attained Klamath Falls may have set a new record for the number of pictures snapped in an eight-hour period.

Portland holds the record for the number in a 10-hour day—1026.

The simple process of getting the X-ray will be set forth before everyone who passes on Main Street that day. There is no waiting, no undressing and all information remains confidential. X-ray officials are counting on many downtowners to participate who have been missed when the units operated in their neighborhoods.

To date there have been 8461 X-rays taken, with a goal of 24,000 set by Sept. 25 when the county-wide survey is to close. Yesterday 359 X-rays were snapped at Klamath Agency and the Altamont Grocery.

County Health Officer Dr. Seth Keron reported that retake responses have been almost 100 per cent. The retake number about four or five have been original, and are double checks on the first pictures.

The X-ray units will be at 6th and E. Main Streets until 6 p.m. today, and at Hercules and Palmetto Lumber Company for employees until that time.

## Klamath Llama Visits Portland

PORTLAND (AP)—A llama, on loan to the Portland zoo from the Black and White ranch or Klamath Falls, is visiting the city's parks this week, taking youngsters for rides.

Jack Marks, zoo director, said most llamas have unpleasant dispositions but this one is gentle.

## Wilsonville Bridge Due

PORTLAND (AP)—Work will start soon on the major new bridge across the Willamette River at Wilsonville—making possible a new Salem-Portland route.

It will be a \$1,112,370 structure, replacing the Wilsonville ferry. It will be the important link in the Portland-Salem cutoff route, parts of which already have been built.

The contract for building piers, approaches and steel decking for the bridges was awarded Tuesday by the State Highway Commission to the Guy F. Atkinson Co.

The commission took care of some other large projects also, including a \$468,483 job for grading part of the planned T. H. Banfield Expressway through East Portland. It was referred to engineers with power to award.



TALLEST?—The new Pacific Supply Co-op elevator, S. 6th and Spring Streets, may be the new tower in Klamath buildings. It rises 106 feet above the street level. The picture above was snapped from the catwalk which carries grain and other produce from the elevator to the railroad loading chutes.

X-RAY BOX SCORE	
Yesterday	339
To date	8461
Goal	24,000
Tomorrow's Schedule:	
Emergency Store, Doty and Calloria Ave., 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.	

## New Red Congress Seen As Backing Soviet Rulers

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Moscow's announcement Wednesday of the convocation Oct. 5 of the first All-Union Communist Party congress in 13 years indicates a strengthening of the Soviet dictatorship all along the line.

This announcement has been in the making since 1947, but its timing gives it implications which can transcend the difference between war and peace.

Moscow's announcement that it is doing away with the Politburo does not mean abolition of an all-powerful governing body. On the contrary, the announced new Presidium, to act between sessions of the Party Central Committee, will have even more power. It will take over the duties of the Organizational Bureau (Orgburo), which controls the appointment of key officials throughout the party and government network.

The announcement once again brings mysterious George Malenkov, 50, owl-faced protégé of Stalin, sharply to the fore. Malenkov probably has had more of a hand

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CHAMP—Butch Kimpton, 12, 231 Pacific Terrace, is the 1952 playground table tennis champion in his age class, and gets an award to that effect from Mayor Bob Thompson. Ing Montgomery, 431 Laguna, won the age group up to 16, and Jerry Knapp, 11, and Sheila Howard, 15, were runners-up.

## Lawrence Giannini, President Of Bank of America, Dies at 58

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Lawrence Mario Giannini, 58, president of the Bank of America—the world's largest bank—died in his sleep last night at a hospital here.

His physician said death was caused by a number of illnesses. He had been in the hospital since March 4.

His wife, Anna Mercedes, and two daughters, Anna and Virginia, were at his bedside.

Giannini, who started working for the far-flung institution as a clerk in 1918, saw its capital assets rise to more than six billion dollars in 35 years.

In 1922 he became personnel director and six years later was named vice chairman of the bank's Board of Directors and a member of its General Executive Committee.

In the early '30s, Giannini and his father weathered a stormy battle to keep major interests of the corporation out of the hands of Eastern stockholders.

Charged with creating a credit monopoly in the West by controlling hundreds of bank offices, Giannini testified at Federal Reserve Board hearings in 1937 that his family held only two-tenths of 1 per cent of the bank's stock.

A. J. Cook, chairman of the bank's Board of Directors, said a successor to Giannini probably will be named at the board's next meeting, scheduled for Sept. 10.

## Greyhound To Expand

CHICAGO (AP)—The Greyhound Corporation said Wednesday it plans to assume "complete control" Oct. 1 on two bus lines linking Chicago and the Pacific Coast. The lines involved are Union Pacific Stages and Interstate Transit Lines, intercity bus systems operating between Chicago, Los Angeles and Portland under the name of Overland Corporation, which has owned 33 1-3 per cent of stock in the two lines, announced it has purchased the stock interests in the two firms held by the Union Pacific Railroad and the Chicago and Northwestern Railway.

Interstate Transit operates between Chicago and Los Angeles via Omaha and Salt Lake City, with connections to Denver, Kansas City, Mo., Sioux Falls, S. D., and Minneapolis, Minn.

Union Pacific Stages run from Salt Lake City to Portland, Ore., and Spokane, Wash.

## Girl Killed Near Resort

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP)—The battered body of a teen-age girl, clad only in a plaid blouse, was found Wednesday on a highway near this desert resort.

A few hours later she was identified as Cathryn Knodel, 16, of Redlands.

Her mother, Mrs. Erwin Knodel, viewed the girl's body in a morgue and screamed: "That's her, that's her!"

The girl's parents said they returned home Tuesday night and found a note saying that she had gone out.

Her father said he presumed she had gone to a musical program at Redlands Bowl.

Brown-haired, slender and attractive, the girl was found in a pool of blood at the edge of a road near Thousand Palms, about a half-mile from heavily-traveled U.S. Highways 70, 78 and 99.

## Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California: Sunny through Thursday, a little warmer with a high of 85 tomorrow. Low tonight 45.

High yesterday 89  
Low " 70  
Precip yesterday 0  
Since Oct. 1 17.29  
Normal for period 12.53  
Same period last year 14.84

## US Urges Program To Rescue Iran

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States reportedly has urged Britain to join in an Anglo-American emergency aid program for strategic Iran to avert a possible Communist coup.

Secretary of State Acheson is reported to have made this plea in a memorandum to British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden within the past 10 days.

Acheson is said to have stressed the need for quick joint action to keep Iran's vast oil resources from falling by default into Russian hands.

American diplomats who disclosed this to a reporter today indicated the British are decidedly cool to Acheson's idea, but apparently have not flatly rejected it.

Acheson told Eden, they said, the United States is prepared to give an immediate "token" grant of around five to 10 million dollars to Iran if Britain simultaneously would.

## PROPOSALS

1. Buy the two million tons of refined oil and oil products now stored in huge tanks along the Persian Gulf. This would bring the Iranian government about 35 to 40 million dollars, at present world market prices.

2. Declare Britain's willingness to abide by international arbitration of its long-standing dispute with Iran over nationalization of the 1 1/2 billion dollar Anglo-Iranian Oil Co.

Under pressure from Washington, American and British diplomats are urgently exploring possible solutions to the British-Iranian argument. The oil dispute has blocked the flow of petroleum to the West for 14 months and has choked off the Iranian government's main source of revenue.

## COOLNESS

Britain's coolness to the American idea, officials said, stems from a belief that to buy any oil would undercut Britain's legal argument that the oil already belongs to the British.

The British Cabinet is scheduled to meet in London today with Prime Minister Churchill to consider a reply to an invitation from Iranian Prime Minister Mohammad Mossadegh to resume oil negotiations.

Acheson's suggestion apparently was intended to guide the British in drawing up an answer. American officials believe that Mossadegh's regime, nationalist as it is, represents the West's only hope of averting chaos. Further, they believe an emergency aid program is essential to stabilize conditions, pay civil servants and lessen the threat of a Communist-led upheaval.

## Balsiger On Public Group

Elmer Balsiger of Klamath Falls has been named to the newly-organized Taxpayer's Committee to retain pari-mutuel revenues, according to an announcement by acting chairman Henry W. Collins, Portland.

Balsiger, in accepting the position for Klamath County, said "should pari-mutuel revenues be lost it would cost Oregon a total of \$692,812 a year. Klamath county alone would lose next year an estimated \$12,500 in fair money and \$5,000 that helps support the Klamath Basin Roundup. Our organization feels we cannot afford to lose that revenue."

## CITY FIRE

A cigaret dropped through a hole in the floor was blamed by city firemen for a blaze early this morning at the home of Mrs. Gertrude A. Lawson, 109 N. Broad Street. The firemen reported only slight damage. The alarm came in at 1:43 a.m.



HERB BARRY, 5102 S. 6th Street, gives with salt talk to boatman Don Divens, his boss, for the 9 o'clock special.