

Bonanza Youth's 1055-Pound Steer Tops at Show

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Let's start today off on the home front:

Many silly mistakes have been made all over the world. If the city of Klamath Falls permits the leftover wartime housing units to be TORN DOWN and removed from the use of those who want to use them, it will be putting the cap ahead on utter silliness.

The city says it doesn't want to get into the housing business. I suppose nobody wants the city in the housing business. But until we can find houses enough at a rental they are willing to pay for new residents who want to come here, the city better take these units over and operate them on a temporary basis, or somebody better buy them at a figure that will permit renting them at the price they've been renting at.

As of now, tearing them down would be ridiculous. Let's not be ridiculous.

Speaking of silliness, I sometimes wonder if we aren't being a bit silly about the hydrogen bomb.

One commentator (AP's Hilliard Schendler) says today: "Announcement of a Russian H-bomb has renewed speculation like that which for a long time revolved around the A-bomb. Speculation is fostered largely by the fact that we don't know much about the H-bomb, just as we didn't know much about the A-bomb. The speculation has led inevitably to predictions of disaster ranging from the destruction of America to the devastation of the world."

Do you suppose the hydrogen bomb and the atom bomb are any more terrifying in these days than the bow and arrow was when it first entered warfare?

Remember that until the bow and arrow came you had to get close enough to your enemy to hit him with a sword or a club or to pierce him with a thrown spear. The bow and arrow changed all that. With it, your enemy could STRIKE YOU DEAD FROM A DISTANCE. Until you mastered the new weapon yourself, you had no way to get back at him. All you could do was RUN or stand and be struck down.

That was pretty terrifying in its day. It must have looked like the possessor of the bow and arrow could conquer the world before anyone could stop him.

Eventually, gunpowder came on the scene.

That was something. Not only did it enable your enemy to strike you from a distance greater than your arrow could reach. The bullet or the cannonball propelled by gunpowder MAIMED AND TORE AND SMASHED human flesh and human bones. The wounds inflicted by swords and spears and arrows had been comparatively clean and comparatively mild. The wounds inflicted by bullets and cannonballs were grisly and awful.

But gunpowder didn't end the world. It didn't end war.

It even did some good. It put an end to the FEUDAL CASTLE. Whereas in the past strong feudal castles could be taken (if taken at all) only by storm with heavy loss of human life, gunpowder made it possible to stand off at a distance and BATTER DOWN these hitherto impregnable strongholds that had enabled the vain and proud and heartless and intolerant nobility to dominate all human life below their level.

It was only with the utter destruction of the feudal castle that the era of the common man really began to dawn.

Here is what the hydrogen bomb and the atom bomb will probably do to the modern world.

THEY WILL PUT AN END TO THE VAST CITIES AROUND WHICH OUR MODERN INDUSTRIAL LIFE HAS BECOME CENTERED.

It is said (perhaps with considerable exaggeration) that ONE hydrogen bomb can destroy EVERYTHING within a radius of 10 miles of its epicenter. A dozen or so atom bombs (presumably) could do the same thing.

That will compel DISPERSION.

It is not too sure but dispersion is the answer to most of the SOCIAL problems that harass us. Most of our modern evils seem to start in the big cities. I'm reasonably certain that a nation made up of clean countryside and small towns and moderate-sized cities (say a maximum of 50,000 or possibly 100,000) would be cleaner and better and far more livable than a nation dominated by huge metropolitan centers. At any rate, it would be easier to find parking places in such a country.

The point is that no enemy could assemble enough hydrogen bombs and atom bombs to destroy a nation built upon such a pattern.

Let's quit worrying. Maybe, by dispersing our modern life, nuclear weapons will change our world for the better as gunpowder did when it put an end to the institution of the feudal castle.

Railroad Ask Abandonments

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Milwaukee Railroad Wednesday asked the interstate commerce commission for a permit to abandon its branch line between Port Angeles and Disque, Wash., it runs 17 1/2 miles.



By BETH KING
A 1055-pound Hereford steer, shown by Chester Schoof, of Bonanza topped the 1953 4-H and FFA Junior Livestock Show here Tuesday to take the grand champion ribbon over 55 entries in the beef cattle class.

The animal was sold at auction at the Klamath County Fairgrounds last night for 95 cents per pound to the Oregon Food Stores.

This year's sale, cried by Tulalake auctioneer Charles K. Wiese, who has officiated at all of the Klamath sales except one in the past 18 years, reached \$35,074.30, against the 1952 total of \$38,477.69.

Steers this year averaged 36 cents per pound, sheep 57 cents and hogs 40 cents against last year's beef price of 46.2, 52 for fat lambs and 56.1 for hogs.

Total livestock sold last year was 105 head and 215 head this year. The reserve 4-H beef blue ribbon winner, an Aberdeen-Angus shown by Elliott West, Poe Valley, brought \$558 and the FFA grand champion Hereford, shown by Jerry Macken, Malin, went for \$342.

Louise Hubble, Langell Valley, took top honors in the hog division, selling her 220-pound animal for \$1.35 per pound. The reserve champion porker, entered by Estelene Heiskary, Poe Valley, brought 60 cents.

In a spirited burst of buying, Bob Walker, Merrill, of Walker Brothers, ran a Southdown lamb entered by Sara West, Merrill, to \$3.51 per pound — highest price paid in the sale — to top the grand champion fat lamb, entered and sold by Virginia Hatchett, Bonanza, which was run to \$2.80 per pound. Reserve champion this class, shown by Alice Hatchett, sister of Virginia, was bid in at \$1.55 and the grand champion FFA Suffolk, shown by Marshall Cornett, Malin, was sold for \$1.60 per pound.

Maximum weights for the 1953 sale were 225 pounds for hogs, 100 pounds for lambs and 1000 for steer entries. Buyers paid only on the maximum although several of the entries exceeded those figures. Jerry Thomas, insurance man, who bought a pen of eight fat lambs for \$239, turned the animals back to the exhibitors.

The sale climaxed the last day of the show that opened Sunday. Preceding the auction, more than 2000 persons gathered for the big free barbecue served by the Klamath Falls Rotary Club in the grandstand.

Exhibitors, who were served early, paraded livestock before the grandstand as adult guests, sponsors, buyers and their wives and Rotarians and their wives were served.

Awards in the gardening, food preservation and livestock divisions were made also in front of the grandstand with "Bud" Chandler, manager of KFLW, at the microphone. A complete record of the sale follows on page 11.

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Girl Admits Killing Sis Of Ex-Beau

NEW YORK (AP) — A pretty Massachusetts stenographer, sobbing hysterically, admitted to police Wednesday she killed the 14-year-old sister of a former boyfriend who broke off with her and married another woman.

Police quoted petite Mildred McDonald, 26, of Somerville, Mass., as saying she shot the girl, Mary Di Rocco, on Monday after the child told her the brother was happy with his new wife.

The girl had been shot five times, her throat slashed and her body partly buried in the Di Rocco home in Somerville.

A sharp-eyed policeman, Patrolman George F. Grace, spotted Miss McDonald near Times Square Tuesday night and took her into custody. He recognized her from an Associated Press Wirephoto he had seen in the New York Daily News only minutes before.

For 10 hours the blonde stenographer, protested her innocence. Then near dawn police said, she admitted:

"I shot her several times."

Detective Lt. David Murphy of the Middlesex County, Mass., district attorney's office, who came here to question Miss McDonald, said her story became vague from that point on.

The distraught stenographer, who was employed by the Massachusetts State Employment Security Office, made a dramatic appearance in a police line-up after she had been booked on charges of carrying concealed weapons.

Standing on a stage in the glare of bright lights, she twisted a handkerchief and dabbed her eyes. She wore a white blouse and a red skirt. She began sobbing heavily at the first routine questions, as to her name and address.

Murphy said Miss McDonald told this story to police before appearing in the police line-up.

She had gone with the girl's brother, Joseph, for about three years. Then last April he married another girl.

She went to the Di Rocco home Monday to tell the girl's mother what she "thought" of the son. The mother wasn't home. Only Mary was there. Miss McDonald vented her pent up feelings on the girl. She flared up with the anger of the spurned when the girl commented that her brother and his bride were very happy.

Murphy, after hearing the story Miss McDonald told, quoted her as saying:

Dr. Zomb Being Sought To End Stage Trance

BANFF, Alta. (AP) — A 19-year-old waitress with a "consuming desire" to sleep in a hospital here while police search for a traveling hypnotist-lecturer. They hope he can end her trance.

The girl, Betty Black of Nelson, B. C., can be awakened and will speak and walk but she drifts back to sleep. She refuses to eat.

Police were told she fell into a trance Saturday night while attending a performance put on by the hypnotist, known here only as "The Great Dr. Zomb." She was taken to the stage to be brought out of the spell and appeared normal when she returned to her seat. At work the next day, however, she fell asleep three times.

Dulles Asks UN Charter Be Rewritten

BOSTON (AP) — Secretary of State Dulles said Wednesday the "preliminary charter" of the United Nations contains "serious inadequacies" and needs to undergo important alterations.

In a speech prepared for the American Bar Association, Dulles said he believes the administration can achieve a better world in the face of the fact that man now has the power "to destroy himself." But he said the U. N. would have to be changed to make this possible.

He recalled that the charter was drafted and signed at San Francisco in early 1945 "when none of us knew of the atomic bomb which was to fall on Hiroshima on Aug. 6, 1945," and added:

"The charter is thus a pre-atomic age charter. In this sense it was obsolete before it actually came into force."

Dulles said the second inadequacy arose from the placing of reliance in a peacetime continuation of the wartime partnership of the United States, Britain and Russia with the result that power for action was concentrated in the Security Council with its veto. The assembly voting procedure gives that body only an advisory role, he said.

The third inadequacy, Dulles said, is the fact that the General Assembly "has made but little progress" in establishing fundamental law among nations embodying "eternal principles of justice and morality."

Merrill Man Convicted

PORTLAND (AP) — Peter Alan Olson, 20, Merrill, was convicted in municipal court here Tuesday on a bad check charge and placed on 30-day probation.

Detectives said he admitted passing four worthless checks for \$57. He was arrested at The Dalles where he entertained in a night club.

Living Cost Hike Ups Pay Of Millions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government reported Wednesday that living costs edged to a new record high in mid-July. The increase was enough to give a million auto industry workers a 1 cent hourly pay boost.

It was the second straight month that the government's living cost measurement had hit a record. The index has risen now for five months in a row.

Higher prices for food, rent, transportation and medical care were the main items responsible for the new hike in consumer costs. The Bureau of Labor Statistics said its index, known as the Consumer Price Index, reached 114.7 per cent of the 1947-49 average. This is two tenths of 1 per cent higher than in mid-June, which was also a living cost peak.

The mid-July level was 1/2 of 1 per cent above a year ago and 12 7/8 per cent above the level at the start of the Korean War.

An index rise to 114.8 would have been enough to provide a 2 cent hourly pay boost for the auto workers whose rates are geared to the government figures.

The index pushed to a new record last month, reaching 114.5 per cent of the 1947-49 average. The previous peak was established last November. Since then, consumer prices declined during the winter but gradually nudged back.

Today's index reflects mid-July prices. The index is officially called the Consumer's Price Index, reporting on costs of goods and services bought by city wage earners and their families. It is widely accepted as the government's official living cost barometer.

Many labor union contracts have "escalator" clauses requiring adjustments of pay rates according to changes in the index.

Agreements between major auto producers and the CIO United Auto Workers called for a change tied to today's index. Since the last adjustment three months ago, the index is already beyond the point requiring a penny-an-hour raise.

Lakeview Pact Ends Dispute

LAKEVIEW, Ore. (AP) — The Lakeview Creamery and the AFL Teamsters signed a contract here Tuesday, ending a labor dispute which had resulted in a grand jury investigation, a National Labor Relations Board probe and legal action in a federal court.

The grand jury investigation was ordered after residents of the town unloaded a beer truck which had stopped in front of the creamery because of the teamsters' picket line. The jury found no evidence of crime but police were criticized for failing to stop the unloading.

Later the creamery's four owners filed unfair labor charges with the NLRB. The owners contended that the union was illegally attempting to sign up employees as union members.



MORE THAN 2000 GUESTS at the livestock show last night saw the Grand Champion steer of the show, No. 1, shown by Chester Schoof, Bonanza, sold to Morgan Johnson of Oregon Food Stores. No. 2, F. F. A. Grand Champion steer, exhibitor Jerry Macken at halter, with Bobbie Ellingson, representing the Ellingson Lumber Co., buyer. No. 3, Poe Valley Shepherds holding the sweepstakes trophy, front row, Jerry West, leader, Virginia and Alice Hatchett, back row, Carol Reiling, Martha Tubach, Virginia and Ruth Roenicke and Janice Marshall, No. 4 - Holding the champion beef herd trophy won by the Bonanza Beef Club is Joe Hoefler, president. To his right is John Hayden, club leader and left Bob Ellingson, president of the Klamath Falls Rotary Club. No. 5 - Grand Champion hog, with exhibitor Louise Hubble who sold to the H&E Meat Cutting Co. No. 6 - Virginia Hatchett with Grand Champion fat lamb of show and its buyer, John Ashley. No. 7 - The FFA Grand Champion lamb with its exhibitor, Marshall Cornett, Malin, and buyer, Andrew Collier. No. 8 - Mayor Bob Walker, Merrill, with the Sara West Southdown lamb that Walker bought for \$3.51 per pound to top the grand champion lamb price of \$2.80.

Stock Show Statistics					
Here are the statistics on this year's Rotary Junior Livestock Show, showing averages for all livestock including those sifted from competition and ones up for resale:					
	No. Head	Lbs.	Av. Head	Av. Lbs.	Amount
Hogs	44	8,535	\$77.46	49c	\$3,408.40
Sheep	87	7,865	\$51.57	57c	\$4,486.50
Steers	84	75,865	\$322.07	36c	\$27,137.80
Sifted Stock	2	225	\$20.80	18 1/2c	\$41.60
Total	215	92,265			\$35,074.30

Wobbly Because Of Drink, Or Eyeing Roadside Crops?

By LYLE DOWNING
Edgar Lewis Turner, 61-year-old custom grain cutter, went on trial Wednesday in District Judge D.E. Van Vactor's court on a charge of driving while intoxicated, with the district attorney prosecuting and a deputy district attorney as one of the complaining witnesses.

Dr. Homer H. Harris of the University of Oregon Medical School.

Crime Laboratory, Portland, also has been subpoenaed as a witness. The complaint against Turner was signed by Robert C. McInnes, an inspector for the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

Turner was arrested by Inspector McInnes and Deputy District Attorney Joe Thalhoffer July 22 near the Wocus Tavern, four miles north of Klamath Falls on Highway 97.

In his opening statement to the jury, District Attorney Frank Alderson declared the state would prove Turner was driving in an erratic manner and was under the influence of liquor.

Alderson also said the defendant was belligerent and threatened to "get Thalhoffer's job." At the County Jail, Alderson added, Turner demanded a sobriety test.

"Mr. Turner was taken to a physician who took a sample of the defendant's blood," Alderson continued. "We will show that subsequently this blood sample was tested at the University Crime Laboratory and showed alcoholic content."

Defense Attorney Ben Goddard denied all of the prosecution's charges.

"We will show that Mr. Turner was inspecting a grain field near the Wocus Tavern as he drove along," he said. "We admit he may have driven his truck erratically while looking at the field."

It was expected the case would go to the jury late Wednesday afternoon.

Log Rig Upset Injures Two

OLENE—Two men were taken to the Klamath Valley Hospital about 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, following an accident on the sharp curve just west of here on Highway 66.

The empty logging truck in which the men were riding failed to negotiate the turn, took out a row of guard posts and rolled over throwing the occupants clear.

J. W. Krebs, 31, Bly, driver of the vehicle, suffered facial lacerations, shoulder, leg and knee injuries. Albert Cummings, Bly, was skinned and bruised and may be injured internally.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Considerable cloudiness with a few showers through Thursday. High Thursday 68; low Wednesday night 50.

Low yesterday 49
High yesterday 64
Precip last 24 hours Tr.
Normal for period 12.61
Same period last year 17.29

A year ago in Klamath Falls it hit a 72 high, and dipped to a 43 low.

9 O'clock Special



TED BLOFSKY, who operates a janitorial service here, was getting ready for work when the Special Cameraman stopped him.