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## Today's News

By FRANK JENKINS

President Eisenhower's State of the Union Message, I think, leaves a clear and sharp and definite picture of the minds of all who gave it. That fact is this: He is a man of peace and a dedicated middle-of-the-roader.

It is what he said he was going to do, and that is what he is doing. The State of the Union Message is no doubt of it.

There is a GOOD in the times of emergency and in the times of peace. So do most of the thoughtful, unbiased, open-minded people I have talked with in the past couple of decades. I can deny, for example, that there is good in social security? About all the centuries of our history we have a written record, too old to work and earn a living. It has been a grisly terror as hung over most of mankind.

There is the modern concept of times of emergency and of times of peace. We are going to let people STARVE. AREN'T going to. You know you know it. Every person who has a reasoning mind knows it. The United States of America, and has simply grown past the heartless time when such could be permitted.

President Eisenhower, as a sincere and dedicated middle-of-the-roader, is charting a course in his message that is midway between the excesses and the extravagances of the New Deal and the Fair Deal and the hard-boiled each for himself and the devil take the hindmost philosophy of the extreme right conservatives.

His message leaves both partisan Republicans and partisan Democrats confused and uncertain. They don't know quite what to think of it. It is too New Dealish for the old-time Republicans and not New Dealish enough for the partisan Democrats.

To understand President Eisenhower's philosophy, you must understand his background. He started with a good mind. He was educated to be a professional soldier. When he was first, he was taught to understand first and always HIS COUNTRY'S WELFARE. His philosophy has stayed with him. In his mind, his country's welfare is first. He gives little to pure partisan advantage.

President Eisenhower's philosophy helps us to understand the situations. Let's make one.

## Tule Grower Members To Hold Meet

Potato growers in this area are holding two meetings on Monday, Jan. 11. In addition to the annual meeting of the Klamath Potato Growers, to start at 1:30 p.m. in the Recreation Hall at Merrill, the Tulelake Growers Assn., has scheduled an all-day meeting, starting at 10 a.m. at the association office at Tulelake.



RAY ANDREWS, executive vice president and manager of the Portland office of Botsford, Constantine & Gardner, will speak to potato growers at Tulelake and Merrill Monday afternoon.

The Klamath group has set up a preliminary advertising and promotion program under the state law which established the Oregon Potato Commission, and the initial report of the advertising committee will be heard at the Monday meeting at Merrill.

The Tulelake growers will hold a meeting on seed certification at the morning sessions; the potato committee will meet for lunch at the Sportsman's Hotel at noon; discuss USDA proposals on grade changes in the afternoon and hear H. W. Pirnie, of the bureau of markets, California State Department of Agriculture, explain the mechanics of setting up an advertising and promotion program for the group under the new California enabling act.

At the invitation of both groups, Ray Andrews of Portland will speak on "The Merchandising and Advertising of Idaho Potatoes," to explain to the growers of the Klamath Basin what can be done in merchandising and advertising of this commodity.

Andrews has been identified with the advertising, promotion and merchandising of Idaho potatoes since the inception of their long-range program in 1937. His office is associated with the Cline Advertising Service in Boise which handles contact work on the account, but the creation and production of the Idaho advertising is done under Andrews' direction at the Portland office.

Approximately 100 persons are expected at the Tulelake meeting, according to Cliff Jenkins, manager of the growers association.

Andrews will address the group shortly after it convenes after lunch. There are many steps to be taken before the Tulelake group can inaugurate an advertising program, according to Jenkins, but the two guest speakers will be available to explain how and what can be done in the future.

At approximately 3:30 Andrews will speak before the Klamath growers at Merrill.

# The Klamath and News

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## Keith Moon Will Head Merchants

With a sincere pledge to do his utmost to carry on the organization's program at the same high level as it was directed during 1953, Keith Moon, of The Town Shop, accepted the post of president for 1954 of the Klamath Merchants Assn.

In turning over the gavel to the new executive, W. A. Patterson, outgoing president, paid tribute to his fellow workers and officers for their outstanding support during the year. He pointed to the four projects successfully completed as part of the group's contribution for the year: the Spring Opening, chairmanned by Walter Kenneth of Miller's; the Fourth of July observance, spearheaded by Jess House of Model Shoe and Keith Moon; the back to school program in which all members participated, and the Christmas Opening, for which Harold Buck of J. C. Penney Co., and Clark Blair of Sears, were co-chairmen.

The slate of nominations presented by Roy Murphy of Herman's Mens Store was voted into office by the unanimous approval of the merchants.

Serving with Moon for the current year will be Ron Van Orman, Van Orman's Shoes, as vice president; "Fireball" Jess House, as secretary and budget chairman, and Eric Carlson of Underwood's Camera Shop as treasurer.

Members of the press and radio were guests of the merchants group for a cocktail hour and dinner at the Willard Hotel.

President Moon promised the group a regular monthly business meeting.



THE GAVEL PASSED BY W. A. Patterson, outgoing president, to Keith Moon, new president of the Klamath Merchants Assn., at the group's annual meeting Thursday evening at the Willard Hotel. In the picture, from left, Mrs. Patterson, "Pat" Patterson, Mrs. Moon and the new president.

## Cubs To Aid Dimes Drive

It's time to gather up all those old coin hangers lying on the closet floor, and all those empty pop bottles you've been meaning to return for months.

Tomorrow Klamath Falls Cub Scouts will make door to door calls at all the houses in the city limits to collect wire hangers and pop bottles for resale. Proceeds will be added to the March of Dimes coffers to be used to help some child walk again.

The Cub Scouts will start their trek at 9 a.m. Saturday, and housewives are urged to support the collection. Local bottling companies and cleaning establishments are helping in the drive by purchasing the articles.

Anyone who is not contacted or who wishes to aid the Scouts may deliver their contributions to Coca Cola Bottling Co., where they will be picked up for resale.

The drive is under the direction of Jack Smith, head Boy Scout master, and is one of several special events being planned by Bob and Tom Perkins, co-chairmen of the special events division of the drive.

## Traffic Committee Comes Up With Truck Route Plan

The Cross Town Traffic Committee came up with a neat package of recommendations, agreed upon and definite, ready for City Council action in the near future. The committee met Thursday night to discuss traffic movement, including a truck route, viaduct, by-pass, and one way streets, and off-street parking.

Continuation of the entire traffic movement plan will depend, however, on State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock's answer to Mayor Paul Landry's proposed change in the truck route.

The truck route, as proposed by Landry and the Cross Town Traffic Committee, will start in the vicinity of Copeland Lumber Yards on Main, go diagonally to 3rd, south on 3rd to Plum, north on Plum to Oak, to Spring and connecting with Highway 97 north.

The committee further recommends that a measure be placed on the ballot for the May 1954 election authorizing a bond issue to raise money for the truck route.

The new truck route proposal will eliminate crossing Veterans Memorial Park, which was not included in the State Highway Commission plans. Mayor Landry expects Baldock's reply on this by Jan. 25.

The Cross Town Traffic Committee's endorsement of an entire highway plan for traffic in Klamath Falls comprises in addition to the truck route, building a viaduct over the South 6th railroad tracks; establishment of one-way traffic, preferably on 5th and 6th instead of on 6th and 7th, one-way traffic on Klamath Ave. and Main; and definite establishment of a West Side By-pass and acquisition of strategic property for that purpose.

Reason for the suggestion of one-way on 5th and 6th instead of 6th and 7th is the congested traffic condition already existing in the Post Office area, the committee stated.

If for any reason the proposed truck route does not become a reality, the committee recommends that one-way traffic on Main and Klamath be deferred until provision has been made for construction of a truck by-pass or completion of the West Side By-pass.

A recommendation on the possibility of off-street parking was also included in the package of proposals. The committee voted for urging the City Council to institute proceedings, at the earliest possible date, to create an off-street parking district in the downtown.

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KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS			
Shipped Today	Same Day Last Year	68 cars	98 cars
Total For Season		5182 cars	5723 cars
		1953-54	1952-53

## Idaho To Be Cleaned Up

BOISE (AP)—Now that slot machines are outlawed in the state, the Idaho Allied Civic Forces indicated Friday that "beer profiteers" will be its next target.

In its monthly publication, the Challenge, the ACF termed the outlawing of slots "the greatest victory of its career." The group holds its convention in Boise next week, and a feature will be a "victory dinner."

It pushed the "Garden City" case which brought the Supreme Court's sweeping decision against slots and similar devices last month.

"Now that the slot machine monster has taken a count as a result of the Supreme Court knockout, the Idaho Allied Civic Forces can center its campaign on the twin survivor," the Challenge said.

It said the group would renew its efforts to "keep beer from minors and from being easily accessible to drivers on the highways."

The ACF has been unsuccessful in an attempt to have city authorities ban the sale of beer in grocery stores in Boise, Lewiston, Twin Falls and Emmett.

## Warner Canyon Skiing "Good"

LAKEVIEW—Ski conditions are "good," according to Don Peters, district forester ranger, at Warner Canyon.

The report—as of Thursday 5 p.m.—had the temperature 30, with the barometer steady and the sky overcast. The snow was wind-pecked and damp, 15 inches deep.

Peters said the highway from Lakeview to the ski site was dry. The tow and snack bar will be open Saturday and Sunday, subject to any change over Friday night.

## Crater Ski Outlook Good

Skiing is expected to be good at Crater Lake National Park this weekend if good weather continues. The warming but will be open if the roads are open.

There were 319 skiers in the park over the Christmas and New Years holiday. December had a record of 328 skiers, compared with 155 during the same month in 1952 and 310 for December, 1951.

Three inches of new snow has fallen during the last 24 hours, it was reported this morning by Crater Lake rangers. This brings the total to 66 inches on the ground. On this date last year there were 87 inches of snow on the ground.

The south and west roads are open to the rim. Chains are required from Annie Springs to the rim.

The ranger station also reported six inches of snow on the ground at Oregon Caves. Chains are not required.

## Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy Friday night, increasing cloudiness Saturday with snow flurries at night. High Saturday 38, low Friday night 25.

NAMED PORTLAND (AP)—A bank vice president, Clifford E. Zollinger, was appointed Thursday night to the Portland school board, succeeding Allan Rinehart, who died of a heart seizure last week.



MRS. ELSIE SIEMENS, native of Klamath Falls and in public office here for 30 years, has filed on the Republican ticket for the office of Klamath County treasurer. Mrs. Siemens is the daughter of a sheriff, the late Charles Low and sister of Lloyd Low, ex-sheriff of this county. She served also while in office under two other sheriffs, the late Jack Franey and Sheriff Murray Britton. She lives at 1112 Eldorado with her mother, Mrs. Charles Low.

## Attempted Holdup Ends In Shooting

Police officers answering a call to a rooming house at Spring and Elm shortly before noon today ran into a pair of armed gunmen and in the ensuing fracas shot one of them to death.

A colored maid at the establishment told police in a frenzied call that she had answered a call to the door and been faced with the two armed men. They forced her into the kitchen, tied her with ropes and then went upstairs. She managed to work free from her bonds, slipped out the back door and ran to the neighboring Klamath Millwork and Supply company, where she placed the call to the police.

Officers Jim O'Neill and Carl Jennings responded to the call, where Jennings entered the front of the building while O'Neill took the back door. As O'Neill entered he saw one of the gunmen wheel, gun in hand, toward Jennings and fired, fatally wounding the man. The dead man was identified from papers on his person as Edwin Coyle, 8812 20th NE, Seattle.

The gunman's accomplice, standing on the steps, dropped his gun and surrendered. He was lodged in the city jail, where he gave the name of Raymond J. Bodinet, 31, of 5815 SE 17th Avenue, Portland.

A report from Lakeview yesterday stated that two armed men had staged a rooming house hold-up in that city, but the two cases have not definitely been linked.

## Farm Proposal Draws Fire

WASHINGTON (AP)—Dark storm clouds massed on the Capitol Hill horizon today for a major feature of the new farm program President Eisenhower will present to Congress on Monday.

The President said in his message yesterday that he would propose that future farm program be built on the principle of flexible price guarantees.

Of more than 50 Congress members who commented, only two senators gave the flexible price idea warm verbal support. Some were noncommittal; more voiced opposition.

Sen. Aiken (R-Vt.), chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, said Eisenhower wants "to get a farm program on a sound, long range basis and away from emergency treatment." That was a reference to the wartime origin of the present fixed level price props for major commodities.

Aiken predicted eventual approval of the administration program.

Sen. Clinton Anderson (D-NM), former secretary of agriculture, said in a separate interview that most farmers want to get away from rigid price supports and the rigid controls which accompany them.

On the other hand, Sen. Eastland (D-Miss) said the flexible price support proposal already is as "dead as a doornail." Sen. Clements (D-KY) predicted it "will encounter very rough weather."

TO RUN EUGENE (AP)—E. J. Evans, an official of the CIO Woodworkers Union, is the first to announce candidacy for the Legislature from Lane County.

Evans, a Democrat who lives in the Fall Creek area south of here, said Thursday night he will seek election to the House.

## Bert Stott Credited With Most Of Moore Park Improvements, And Further Work On Schedule

By PATI O'CONNOR A step toward further efficiency in the development of Klamath Falls parks is the recent appointment of Bert Stott as Moore Park superintendent. By releasing him from the tremendous job of administering all the parks in the city, the park board's move will make possible development of the many potentialities of Klamath Falls' leading park.

Stott came to Klamath Falls in 1936, and began his work for Moore Park April 1, 1937. Two years later he moved into the park headquarters as chief caretaker. His record since then has shown development of increasing acres as parcel by parcel the original 120 acres grew to more than 300.

Modern restrooms have been constructed in the picnic area, but work for the future remains since the interiors still must have finishing touches.

The lighting system has been changed to a three-way system so that the picnic area may be lighted in moderate large, moderate or small parties. Two plug-ins provide electricity for public address systems.

Lights on the double tennis court shine on crowds of young and not so young players, who make use of these facilities day and night, summer and fall.

Moore Park is the only place in Klamath Falls where local children may visit the zoo, and although many of the larger animals were disposed of during the war (due to the meat shortage), Stott plans to enlarge this phase of the park when money is available for stronger pens.

Animals now at the park include badgers, raccoons, coyote, three bears (and Stott informs us that due to interbreeding between black and brown bears, one can't pre-

dict the color of the animals until they shed; one year they are brown, the next year black.) There are antelope, four varieties of deer, the black tail, English fawn, mule deer and Japanese deer.

Superintendent Stott is looking forward to getting new pheasants for the park, since several were lost a few years ago in a bad snowstorm. There are, however, some pheasants, peacocks, wild geese, wild Mallards, Honkers, (the large variety of the goose family), Running free in the park are many gray squirrels, California blue jays, Canada jays, chickadees and grosbeaks. About February the grosbeaks come in flocks of three or four hundred. Food for the birds is provided at the park.

The days are busy for Stott. Every day in the winter the pens have to be de-iced, warm water put in mornings and afternoons. All the picnic tables must be kept in good repair, painted, and washed every day in summer. Rest rooms are cleaned two and three times a day; ashes and garbage must be removed. There is grass to cut, shrubs to keep trimmed and in shape, and watering to be done, eight hours a day in summer.

Future projects in the park include planting of bigger and better flower gardens, enlargement of the skating rink, construction of a boat dock at the launching point north of the highway.

If and when water is piped to the west hill overlooking Upper Klamath Lake, fireplaces will be built for picnickers. As it is, fireplaces are hazardous, but seats have been installed under the big juniper and a road built where people may take cold lunches and have a bird's eye view of the lake.

"This is the park I have always wanted to develop," Stott says. "It is the best park; it attracts far more people than any other one park, and I think it has been neglected." The park board's recent decision to have Stott give his undivided attention to Moore Park will certainly be a contributing factor to its future growth and development.



LEEN MURPHY was having a fine time playing with her kitten this morning when the nine o'clock photographer snapped her home at 703 Lincoln.



BERT STOTT, Moore Park superintendent, pauses in his daily round for a visit with Queenie, his pet coyote. Queenie is just one of the many attention-getters at the park, but possibly a favorite, and she seems to love it!