

Army Told It Needs Two New Units, Revamp

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army today it needs two new commands and a thorough out of its supply and training to meet the long pull of peace, half-war or another conflict.

A committee composed of four men and one general also for strengthening the supply of the secretary of the and protecting it against attack by the secretary of defense and his staff.

Robert T. Stevens, the committee's strongest critic, said its major recommendation at the Army's supply system technical services.

The report specifically called for a third assistant secretary of the Army, for financial management, a second vice chief, for supply, and establishing a continental Army command and a supply command.

The committee also sought to re-clarify some of the Army's authority under the Defense Department. The report said the Army secretary should have an active part in formulating the secretary of defense's policies guiding the Army.

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top executive group on national policy, as an observer.

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Bus Company To Give Up

PORTLAND (AP) — Another suburban bus line intends to quit business Friday because of lack of riders. It is the North Parkrose line, which serves an area north-east of Portland.

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Editor-Mayor Finally Arranges For Interview On Matador's Politics

MATADOR, Tex. (AP) — The editor of the Matador Tribune interviewed the mayor of Matador again this week.

"You can quote me as saying I will be a candidate for re-election," said Mayor Douglas Meador.

"Thank you, your honor," said Editor Douglas Meador. "And the best of luck to you."

Now Douglas Meador, one and the same, interviewed himself last week and got exactly nowhere. A correspondent for the Lubbock (Tex.) Avalanche-Journal he wrote

ask for the last place on the ballot."

Mayor Meador then ran through the accomplishments of his six years as mayor and ended on a high note of modesty:

"I admit I haven't been a good mayor—I can't even play dominoes."

deep in a county political story that Mayor Douglas Meador has declined to say whether he will again be a candidate.

The Associated Press picked that up as a man who's not one to let his right hand know what his typewriter is doing.

This week, writing in his own paper, he finally managed to pry a statement from himself.

"I have been smoked out of my refuge of political silence," he wrote. "It is entirely true that I am (or was) a reporter for the Avalanche and that I wrote the general county political story. And it is also true that I interviewed myself and that I made no statement."

"I'm going to make a long overdue statement to the citizens of Matador (1,335 of them). I think Matador deserves a better mayor and I will run free of charge the announcement of any candidate for mayor in the April city election."

"I will be a candidate and I will

Fumes Blamed In Death

ROSEBURG (AP) — Fumes from a floor heater were blamed Thursday for the death of a 5-month-old boy at an auto court at Sutherland.

The boy and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hackfelt, Orange Grove, Tex., were overcome as they slept there Wednesday. Friends discovered their plight in time to take the parents to a hospital here, where they are recovering. It was too late to save the infant, Rodney.

Hackfelt was on his way to Ft. Lewis, where he is stationed in the Army. Another Army man, C. M. Caster, and his wife, also of Orange Grove, were traveling with them. It was the Casters who got the auto court manager to unlock the Hackfelts' door when they failed to respond to knocks on the door.

ZOO ASKED

PORTLAND (AP) — A proposal for a new \$3,250,000 zoo will be on the ballot in Portland in the May primary election. A similar proposal was defeated in the 1952 election.

The City Council took action Wednesday to put the measure on the ballot. A five-year tax of 1.2 mills would raise the zoo money.

Participation in the program has been approved by the Oregon State Medical Society and the State Board of Health. The State Board of Education is expected to give its approval soon.

O'Connor was here on a nationwide tour on behalf of the foundation.

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Tugboat Being Tested

PORTLAND (AP) — A jet-propelled tugboat is undergoing trial runs on the Klamath River here today. In this case is the kind pump produces, and high not a feature of the novel pump draws water up a hole in the bottom and at the rear with enough produce a speed of about

hull-bull craft was built by Swankie firm for use by the Klamath Lumber Co., Ashland, on the Klamath River of Oregon and Northern California.

The tugboat was built to operate in the shallows where propellers are knock-conventional boats. There protrusions below the jet pump has a draft of 20 inches, nozzle can be turned in any direction, eliminating need for

Bar-Old Held Prime Record

PORTLAND (AP) — A 14-year-old dog who escaped six times from his village and once from a police station was the grand jury yesterday on bail on 21 burglary charges.

The dog was charged with \$2,400 in merchandise and cash between July 8 and last year. The biggest haul was \$1,500 in cash and jewelry.

In the other articles he was charged with were 62 pounds of hot dogs, 200 cans of beer, four portable radios, and interoffice communication.

Girl Held All Safe

PORTLAND (AP) — When Barbara Patton, 7, failed to come home Wednesday after her first meeting her grand-Mrs. Emma Patton, with her lives, started a quiet search at 10 p. m. she became and called police.

Police in the ways of 7-year-old checking parents of bird members. At 1:30 p. m. reported success: Barbara had gone to the rural home of the girls to spend the night. Her friend's parents had permission.

Police, just in case, police called radio stations and state police to put out that the child was missing.

Man Left With Sentence

PORTLAND, Tex. (AP) — Taxi Driver Louis Stevenson told Federal Judge Allen B. Hannay that he had a bag of butter and nine pounds of coffee stolen from his cab when he was left in his cab.

Stevenson was literally left in the bag, Hannay said. He sentenced Stevenson, 29, to serve a year in prison for the offense for forgery.

CONFAB

PORTLAND (AP) — Gen. Weyland, commander of Far East Air Forces, arrived in Portland today to confer with Chinese Kai-Shek and other Nationalist leaders.

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