



E. G. (DAVE) DAVIS, sales manager of the Simpson Redwood Co., San Francisco was elected Spark of the Universe in the International Concatenated Order of Moo-Hoo, the Fraternal Order of Lumbermen at the 64th annual convention held in September in Detroit. Davis will preside over the 1956 convention which will be held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, September 17-20. Photo by Cristof Studio, S.F.

Post Office Hits Back At Johnston Allegations

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Post Office Department says Sen. Olin D. Johnston (D-SC) is "wholly misinformed" and "totally incorrect" in his charges that postmasters have been fired by "illegal and political" means. This was the department's preliminary reply last night to Johnston's charges, made in a statement announcing a "sweeping" investigation. The department reserved its full reply for a speech to be delivered today by Norman H. Abrams, assistant postmaster general, to a postmasters convention in Detroit. The department promised Abrams' speech would "fully and completely" refute Johnston's charges.

Meantime, Sen. Carlson (R-Kan.) said in a telephone interview from his Concordia, Kan., home that Republicans would "welcome" the Johnston investigation. Johnston is chairman of the Senate Post Office and Civil Service Committee. Carlson is the group's ranking Republican member. Johnston said committee investigators now are checking on a large number of complaints. He said that eventually public hearings will be held in Michigan, Texas, California, Illinois, Missouri, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and North Carolina. He said his committee has received "thousands of documents" showing that the postal inspection service "under new and cleverly devised instructions from Washington is being used simply to oust postmasters because it is thought they did not vote for President Eisenhower in 1952."

"Some of the methods used by this administration are strikingly similar to the methods used by Nazi storm troopers under Hitler," Johnston declared. "The tactic seems to be to force or scare a postmaster into submitting his resignation. Many thousands have done this rather than spend their hard-earned money in a fight to save their jobs." He said that never in his nine years on the Post Office Committee has he "known the morale of postmasters and postal employees to be so low."

In its preliminary reply, the department said Johnston is "wholly misinformed" and expressed regret that he "has undertaken to make public charges without first checking with the department." "Sen. Johnston says that 'many thousands' of postmasters have been forced to resign under political pressure," the department said. "The inaccuracy of this statement is proved by the fact that the resignations of postmasters under this administration other than by reasons of becoming eligible for pensions are in the hundreds and these are for reasons of health and other normal causes."

The department said that of "only 538 postmasters actually removed by this administration," 203 were ousted for embezzlement; the rest for "good cause," such as "poor management, failure to devote the required time to duty, personal misconduct and theft of mail."

"Only four were removed for illegal political activity," the department added. Johnston said his committee "has information indicating that the jobs of postmasters and postal employees in Texas and several in some other states have been sold to the highest bidder."

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Pelican Beat

By NANCY CLARK
A slight decrease in the male population at Klamath Union High School has become quite evident since the firing of that first shot for those ever-lovin' venison steaks. We gals can't blame the guys for having appetites for these creatures but we will be glad when "bucktails" is over and the boys stay home.

Football for girls is a novel idea, and the Sophomore Tri-Hi-Y gals of KUHS think it will be lots of fun to try. In fact they are so serious about it that president Estelle Kiger has arranged to play Medford's girl team. Good luck kids!

Math club held their first meeting of the year Monday night. President Silvia Cabella conducted the business meeting which was followed by a program consisting of brain teasers and a geometric proof given by adviser, Mrs. Alice Howard. Other officers include Paul Adams, vice president, and Fairy Gardner, secretary-treasurer. Any student having Algebra III or IV is eligible to belong to this club.

Attention, all you deer hunters! If you want to get rid of any deer hides, the Klamath Falls Order of DeMolay will be more than happy to take them. Either phone 3517 or contact Paul Adams for pick up.

"Beyond the Line of Duty" was a movie on nursing shown to the Future Nurses Club Monday. President Peggy Brown conducted a short business meeting in which Sheila Myers gave a report on what courses and programs the Providence Hospital offers young girls interested in nursing. A window display on nursing, in the main hall of KU, was done by FNA member Erna Bleak. Mrs. Margaret Strode is adviser for the group, Marcia Hawley is secretary-treasurer and Jeanne Morgan is vice president.

Adviser of Girls League, Mrs. Loreita Druecker and president, Bev Overen, with the presidents of the five minor clubs of Girls League held a short consultation on the year's schedule, last Thursday. The first meeting of the Girls League was held this Tuesday.

Radio British students departed from KU Monday afternoon for a field trip to radio stations KFJL, KFLW and KLAD. Those students going on the trip were: Jim Anderson, John Bechen, Melvin Boeber, Betty Bousquet, Sally Brown, Jerry Burg, William Cobb, Jan Cox, Gary Curtis, George Goehring, Barbara Glenn, Maureen Griffith, Thomas Harmon, Carol Heath, Bette Hole, Shelby Holland, Marilyn Hough, Claire Hunt, William Johns, William Johnson, Robert Kellison, Gary Larrimore, LuAnne Logsdon, Jan Meador, Mike Murphy, Raemarie Neal, Larry Nelson, Noland Nelson, Orrin Ormsbee, Charles Polson, Bera Smith, Jack Stubbs, Roy Stubbs, Drama Sulfer, James Swansen, Earle Tichenor, Jerry Woods and LaVonne Yunk.

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