

Truman Aids Jailed Man

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. — Harry S. Truman helped get a release yesterday for a man who was carrying a gun when he was arrested near Truman's office Saturday.

Circuit Judge Ben Terte dismissed a charge of carrying a concealed weapon against Richard Paul Goff, 33, Altoona, Pa., with the understanding Goff will get mental treatment in a Pennsylvania state hospital.

The judge was handed a letter from Truman, who expressed hope the man could get medical care. The former President wrote that he talked with Goff and apparently the man had an irrational belief Communists and police were against him.

Goff was released in the custody of Sheriff B. Paul Reed of Pennsylvania's Blair County and they left immediately.

Goff told police he wanted to talk to Truman Saturday about getting a government job and was carrying the gun to protect \$600 he had in his pocket.

Farm Men Talk About Disease

LAKEVIEW — Disease problems and outlook will be featured this year at the 26th annual meeting of the Fremont Sheepmen's Association, according to County Agent Oris Rudd, who is secretary for the organization.

The meeting is set for Friday, February 21, in the Memorial Hall of the courthouse, and will get underway at 10 a.m. with reports on the ram sale and the activities of the sheep committee of the planning council. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management representatives will report on their programs in the morning, also.

Promptly at 1:30 p.m. Jim Murphy of the California Livestock News, and Dr. Maurice Woulfe from the office of the state veterinarian, will talk on market outlook and disease problems, to be followed by a predator committee report. Election of officers will also be held. Con Flynn is president of the association.

Farm flock producers are especially invited to take part in the meeting.

Marijuana Crop Backfires For Texas Police Official

BEAUMONT, Tex. — Asst. Police Chief Willie Bauer did not win his struggle with marijuana after all. He revealed the facts recently after recovering from considerable stop labor, calloused hands and a pocketbook dent.

His motives aimed at law and order, education of the young and protecting the department budget. Bauer's project, a small-scale farm operation. The crop: marijuana.

District Judge Fines Two Men

MONTAGUE — It was reported by Judge James McAdams of Montague Judicial District that two subjects, who were cited for traffic violations in 1956, were apprehended and brought to trial in the Montague court. Both had left California for a period of time and returned to establish residence here. They were apprehended when they applied for new vehicle licenses.

Billy Gene McKnight, Brentwood, California, was fined \$27 for two violations relative to no muffler and horn on his vehicle. Bob William Reade, Eureka, California, was fined \$27 for three violations, which were no mud guards on his truck, poor signal lamps and signal devices and no windshield wiper.

Senator Works At Paying Taxes

ST. LOUIS — Sen. Symington (D-Mo.) did some figuring and billed himself for personal taxes. The senator was puzzled when he failed to receive a 1957 tax bill from the St. Louis County collector. He had paid county taxes for many years.

Symington went to the collector's office to inquire why he had been skipped. No one seemed to know.

He still didn't get a tax bill, so he decided to bill himself. He compared his 1955 and 1956 returns and figured there had been a 16 per cent increase. So he added 16 per cent to his 1956 payment and sent a check for \$57.07 to the collector's office.

Marijuana is a plant that is dried and smoked like a cigarette. It gives smokers a real jag during which they are not responsible for their actions. Its possession is illegal.

Chair Bauer noted that rookie cops knew little about the weed. To educate these youngsters, he designed a mechanical smoker and persuaded some engineers to build one.

But he didn't like the quality of the marijuana the force picked up now and then. So he decided to grow his own supply for the mechanical smoker.

Neighbors made friendly inquiries about his beautiful plants and asked the name. Bauer left the impression that the plants belonged to a rare tropical family.

When he harvested enough for the police school, he cut the remainder and burned them. That would destroy them.

That's what Bauer thought. Sprouts grew back almost overnight.

He pulled them up. More sprouts appeared. In desperation, he poured oil over the garden and set it afire.

But here came those plants peeping up again and shooting upward fast.

For several days Bauer spent most of his spare time trying to mow faster than the plants grew. He kept mowing until mowing in the same spot began to appear odd.

"It looked pretty silly to the neighbors," he said ruefully. Bauer finally worked out a massive defense plan.

He telephoned a construction company, ordered a concrete slab poured on his garden and a garage built on top.

Foes of the drug traffic will be happy to learn that as of last reports no marijuana plants have penetrated the policeman's concrete.

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ANITA VADEN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vaden, Route 1, Box 13, Bonanza, will be one of the contestants in the Klamath County Junior Chamber of Commerce Junior Miss Oregon Contest of 1958, which will be held in the Mills School auditorium tonight, Tuesday, at 7:30. A senior at Bonanza High School, Anita, 17, is 5 feet 4 and weighs 115. She will give a humorous reading as her part in the talent portion of the contest and if she wins one of the national scholarships in Mobile, Alabama, will attend Oregon State College and major in home economics. — Ferebee Studio Photo

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Leaders Back Nixon's Plan

PASADENA, Calif. — Five satellite experts have endorsed Vice President Nixon's suggestion that scientists spend at least part of their time in politics.

The vice president urged 2,500 students and faculty members at the California Institute of Technology yesterday that they combine politics and science in their careers.

The statement brought this comment from scientists at Cal Tech's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, cradle of the Explorer satellite: "Today it is necessary for scientists to enter politics because science is basic to most of the factors that influence life," said Dr. Homer J. Stewart, chief of JPL's liquid propulsion division.

"I see nothing wrong in the scientist becoming involved in politics provided he takes part in political-scientific fields which he understands," commented Dr. J. E. Froelich, chief of design and power plants at JPL.

"I'm in favor of scientists entering politics," said Robert J. Parks, chief of JPL's guidance and electronics division. "Technical aspects of science today have to be understood by people who make decisions so the people who influence these decisions should have a technical background."

"I'm glad Mr. Nixon didn't suggest the opposite — getting more politicians into science," said Geoffrey Robillard, section chief of solid propellants at JPL. "Seriously, I think scientists should be in politics, but it's the rare scientist who has the qualifications."

Expert Tells Need For U.S. Progress

CHICAGO — The Army's top missile expert says Americans have "lost a round" to the Russians and "cannot afford to lose much more" if they hope to survive.

Dr. Wernher von Braun last night gave this appraisal after saying that the Pentagon has agreed to finance "five different firings involving satellites or other space projects."

But he declined to elaborate on the nature or immediacy of the launchings, saying, "We believe very strongly in cackling only after we lay our eggs."

Von Braun, who is chief of research and development of the Army's Ballistic Missile Agency, told a news conference when asked about the five projected firings: "We are not sitting on our hands."

Later, the missile expert told the National Military-Industrial Conference at a dinner meeting: "I would recommend that we brace ourselves for other Soviet 'firsts' in the new field of astronautics."

"We are behind and we cannot catch up in a day or two. It will require several years of concentration."

A high speed ferry boat travels between the mainland of Italy to the island of Sicily, making the eight-mile crossing to Messina in just 10 minutes.

trated effort to come abreast, and even longer to pull ahead.

"Perhaps the launching of Explorer helped to redeem our promises, but no amount of explanation or justification can hide the fact that we have lost a round. We cannot afford to lose much more."

On the heels of Von Braun's remarks to the conference, Walter Williams, undersecretary of commerce, said today the nation's industry is ready to meet the Soviet missile challenge.

In a prepared address, Williams said: "While projected production schedules are secret, the immense facilities and production know-how of American industry, when given the green light, will start turning out long-range ballistics missiles at a rate dismaying to any potential adversary."

Williams said the Atomic Energy Commission "indicates an abundant supply of nuclear materials is available for intermediate range ballistic missile warheads."

He mentioned no dates or other details of missile production plans.

He said the world's first nuclear propelled merchant ship is expected to go into service in 1960. He said the new U.S. vessel will be able to travel 100,000 miles without refueling.

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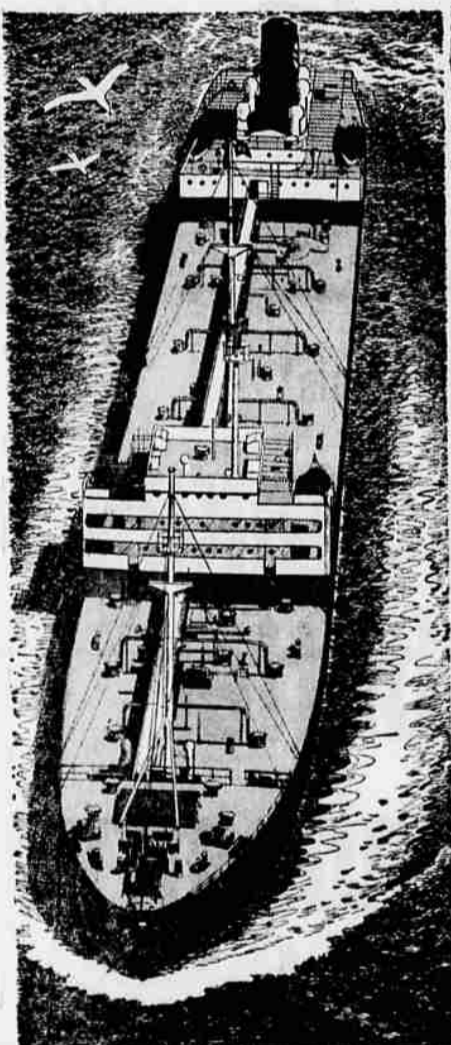
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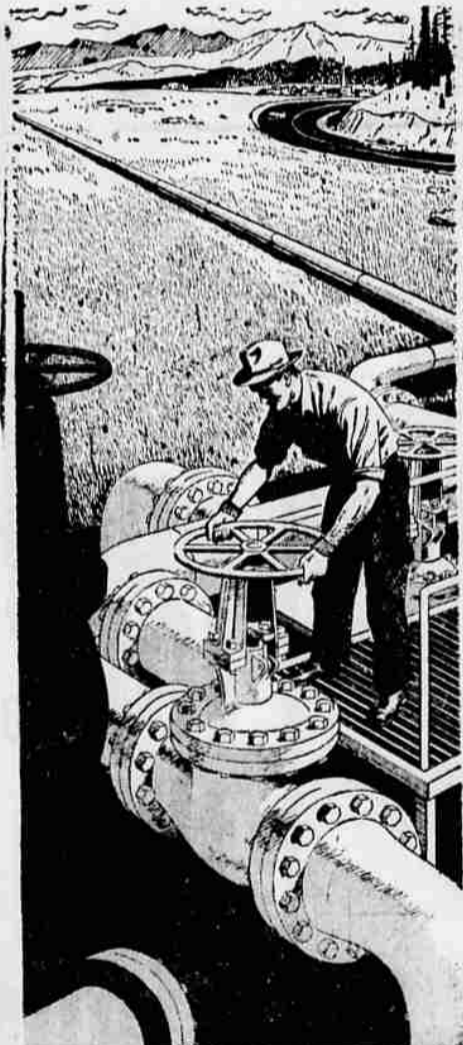
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