



MOUNT SHASTA VFW AUXILIARY members count money collected in muscular dystrophy drive in Mount Shasta, Dunsmuir and McCloud areas. From the left are Mrs. Beth Brinker, Mrs. Jewell Eberhard, Mrs. Olive Wheeler and Mrs. Rosalie Durkee. Fred Eberhard, inspector for the VFW 20th District and chairman of the Southern Siskiyou County Muscular Dystrophy Drive, reports that 95 canisters in the area netted \$104.43. —Photo by McKinney

Career Chances Better If Gals Ride, Shoot, Wrestle

By VERNON SCOTT
UPI Hollywood Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—Girls, if you plan on an acting career for get about drama classes. Your chances are better if you spend a few months on a ranch learning to ride horseback, shoot guns and topple down cliffs.

In order to break into TV nowadays pretty young things are forced to appear in westerns—either that or give it all up and get married.

Nancy Hadley, a wholesome cutie who aspires to stardom, has made a career of playing heroines in video horse operas. Look carefully at the frightened filly on "Wyatt Earp," "Have Gun—Will Travel," "Bat Masterson" or "Jefferson Drum"—odds are pretty good it will be Nancy.

She'd prefer to play heavy drama or comedy, but there's not much choice.

"If I didn't work in westerns, I wouldn't be working very often," the brunette beauty explained. "A young actress doesn't get many offers for modern roles. Those parts are all taken by star names."

"So we have to settle for the saccharin girls to the west who are doing terrible things to their fathers, husbands or brothers—depending on the script."

"Except for screaming, and running from the heavens into the arms of the hero, there's no opportunity for acting."

"Once in a while I get a chance to beat out a fire or fall off a horse. And I've been shot a couple of times, too. I've only been killed twice though."

"Romance is out of the question. The hero usually gives you a slight kiss at the end of the show, but nothing very passionate because he has to have another girl in the next episode."

If the scripts are tough on actresses, working conditions are even worse. On location ranches outside Hollywood, actors and actresses report for work at daybreak and toil until after dark.

"Sometimes I have to get up at 3 and 4 a.m.," Nancy pouted. "You get used to wearing heavy wool skirts when the temperature is in the hundreds. I've been on locations where there aren't any... er, powder rooms for girls, and I've fallen into anthills and come home black and blue after fight scenes with the bad guys."

"It takes tremendous stamina and good health to appear in horse operas. Once I had to climb a cliff half a dozen times before they filmed the scene."

"Despite all the problems I enjoy working in westerns, but I can't honestly say they're fun to watch. Most women I talk to don't like them either."

"Women like to watch other women—to check on the clothes, mannerisms and to see how they can improve themselves."

"The way it is now, only male viewers, and maybe horses, can find anything for self-improvement."

New Search Idea Heard

PORTLAND (AP)—A suggestion to drop the Columbia River water level to facilitate the search for a missing Portland family of five was made Friday.

It came from State Police Sgt. Charles Ullen at a meeting of Washington and Oregon Lawmen here to coordinate the search.

Col. A. F. Clark of the Army Engineers said no such request had been received yet, but the Army would be happy to study it although it presented formidable problems.

It was the latest in a long series of attempts to find Ken Martin, 54; his wife, 48; and their three daughters, 14, 13 and 11.

The suggestion to lower a 50-mile stretch of the river from Bonneville Dam upriver to the Dalles Dam would allow police to more carefully search the river shoreline on the theory the family car plunged into the water.

The Martins were last seen Dec. 7 when they left home to hunt a Christmas tree.

DAR To Select State Delegates

Eulalia Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will meet Monday evening, January 5, at 8 o'clock at the Community Lounge for the regular monthly meeting. Mrs. Albert O. Roenick, regent, will preside.

Delegates to the state and national conference will be elected. Mrs. L. H. Stone, member of the DAR State Centennial Committee, will give a brief history of the formation of the Oregon provisional government and will discuss plans for the coming centennial.

Hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. Phillip Brixner, Mrs. Bert C. Thomas, Mrs. Alfred Cottingham, Mrs. R. K. Schouboe, Mrs. Louis R. Mann and Mrs. Arch G. Proctor.

Members of the Children of the American Revolution group are invited to be guests of the chapter.

She Got What He Wanted

DENVER, Colo. (AP)—Mrs. Anita M. McDaniel, 32, won a divorce on the grounds her husband, Bobby, 64, registered with a matrimonial agency as being unmarried.

She said her husband, a pipe-fitter, was continually receiving letters from women seeking him as a mate.

"Bobby was a delightful man but a horrible husband," Mrs. McDaniel told Judge Joseph E. Cook Friday.

Supervisors Agree To Hire Full Director

YREKA—With considerable reluctance, the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors agreed, during Tuesday's meeting, to abide by the rules set by the State Welfare Department, and employ a permanent county welfare director, to replace Mrs. Caroline Nixon, acting county welfare director.

The department informed the supervisors they must take action in hiring a permanent director before the deadline set for January 6, after which the state said it would halt payment of its 50 per cent share of the director's salary.

The board, which expressed the desire to retain Mrs. Nixon, took action on advice from William C. Siegel, legal counsel for the California County Supervisors Association. Verification was given by Siegel by long distance telephone.

That the state law requires the board to attempt to employ persons on the eligible list for the post of county welfare director.

Mrs. Nixon's name does not appear on the list, since at the time examinations for the job given last October by the state personnel board, she was lacking six weeks of the two years experience as a welfare supervisor necessary to qualify for the post.

The state further indicated to the board that it must obtain waivers from all five persons on the civil service eligibility list before looking elsewhere for a welfare director.

The supervisors made the decision to set the starting salary at the minimum of \$505 a month in an apparent move to discourage the qualified applicants.

Slower Child Study Ends

PORTLAND (AP)—Decentralized training for retarded children was suggested Friday by a legislative interim committee.

In a report issued by the Interim Committee on Mental Retardation and Emotional Disturbance, it was recommended \$394,000 be appropriated by the 1959 Oregon Legislature for the work.

This would be to set up an inter-departmental health, education and welfare board and five training centers.

Sen. Carl H. Francis (R-Dayton) heads the committee.

It also recommended the expansion of the Fairview home to accommodate an added 300 persons and a special \$27,500 appropriation for scholarships to train teachers for the mentally retarded children.

Oregon House Selects Clerk

MEDFORD (AP)—Mrs. Ruth Renfroe of Portland was named chief clerk of the Oregon House of Representatives Friday.

Rep. Robert Duncan (D-Medford) slated to become House speaker, announced the appointment.

Mrs. Renfroe, an assistant clerk at the 1955 session, succeeds Mrs. Edith Low of Salem.

NAZI FLAG REMOVED

SWINDON, England (UPI)—Angry residents climbed to the roof of a Swindon movie theater Friday to haul down a Nazi flag being flown to advertise a war film.

A crowd besieged the theater while young men tore the flag from the flatstaff and threw it to the group, where it was trampled in the mud. The theater manager flew the flag beside the Union Jack to advertise the war film "Sea of Sand."

Higher Property Values Coming, But Taxes Might Stay As They Are

By TOM STIMMEL

The new year brought with it a new approach to property tax assessments in Klamath County. The approach means higher property values and a higher taxing ratio, but it does not necessarily mean higher taxes.

These are the changes now being put into effect in time for the new taxing year that begins next July 1.

1. The true cash value of property—the basis upon which assessments are made—is being raised from 85 per cent of market value to 100 per cent of market value.

2. The ratio between true cash value and assessed value is being raised from 18 per cent to 20 per cent.

In other words the assessor, when preparing the next tax roll, must consider your property at its actual worth without discounts of any kind. Then the percentage of that actual worth upon which taxes will be levied will be 20 per cent, no longer 18.

These changes, the first ordered by the State Tax Commission and the second recommended by the county Board of Equalization, would indicate a much larger bill the next time you get a tax statement. But as the song says, "It ain't necessarily so."

The fate lies in the budgets for operation of the county and its 38 taxing districts. If the budget next year does not increase, taxes next year should not increase, despite the grim appearances of higher property values and tax ratios.

There is so much property in the county to raise so much money. Higher assessed valuations (resulting from the two increases explained above) applied against a budget the same size as it was last year, would put a downward squeeze on a fourth factor, the millage rate.

Higher assessments to produce the same budget would push the millage rate down, and taxes would remain the same. If the budget is lower next year, the millage rate would be pushed down a bit farther and taxes would be lower. If the budget is higher, the millage rate would go up, and so would taxes.

County Assessor Hap Caldwell explained it this way: "If we have the same budgets to balance

against higher valuations, the end result is going to be the same. "But," he added, "here we should prepare ourselves and be aware that any increase in budgets will be reflected in a higher tax bill."

Well, what about the budget? Will it be higher or the same or lower?

The answer to that puzzle won't come until next July 15, the deadline for all 38 taxing units to submit their budgets.

In the meantime, Caldwell and his staff have been more than ordinarily busy making the changes ordered in property valuations and the tax ratio—which are pretty much new ways to arrive at the same answers.

"We're having to make a complete change in records all the way through," Caldwell said. "Between the new valuations and the ration change, we're having to change everything."

"Everything" amounts to approximately 38,000 appraisal sheets in the assessor's office.

Although it's a lot of work now, the changes will make the job much simpler in the future.

As of July 1, 1959, all variations will be eliminated and all property will be figured at 100 per cent true cash value and 20 per cent ratio. It will eliminate a lot of paper work—later.

The true cash value figure is expected to remain permanent, according to a State Tax Commission flat of December 8. But the ratio may vary from year to year, depending upon the county Board of Equalization's recommendation and the assessor's study.

For example it varied from 17 to 21 per cent, depending upon the type of property involved, in 1957 alone.

Now the ratio will be the same for everybody, subject to change once a year if necessary.

At first the Board of Equalization considered a 25 per cent ratio for the county next year. A new ratio was in order, they recognized, because only one of Oregon's 36 counties had a ratio lower than Klamath's.

Berkeley DeVaul, director of county relations for the State Tax Commission, recommended the idea but on further study thought 20 per cent would be more realistic. The board agreed after some consideration.

Once these matters have been straightened out, however, Caldwell still feels there is a discrepancy between utility taxes and taxes on other property—such as you pay.

He said utilities (whose properties are assessed by the state and not by county assessors) always have been figured at 100 per cent of market value. Therefore there will be no 15 per cent increase in that factor and, Caldwell says, "this will cause a shift of the tax load from utilities to local assessed property."

He thinks the state "should use the same yardstick for utilities as we use for other property," and he says Oregon's 35 other assessors agree with him.

Purse String Control Now 'Out Of Hand'

SACRAMENTO (UPI)—A legislative committee recommended Saturday that the voters return California's purse strings to the lawmakers as a help in reducing the cost of state government.

The Assembly Committee on Government Organization announced the proposal as part of its report to the 1959 Legislature, which convenes here Monday.

Chairman Caspar W. Weinberger (R-San Francisco) said about 67 per cent of the state's total expenditure program is fixed by constitutional and statutory continuing appropriations based on permanent formulas, leaving only one-third of the money to annual review by the Legislature.

He said fixed appropriations have increased during recent years. They are made up for the most part of revenues collected by the state but returned to cities and counties and direct payments to local governments.

He said that education and social welfare are the major items for which state money is paid directly to local governmental units. The 1958-59 fiscal appropriation for education totaled \$89 million dollars and the welfare money totaled \$182,500,000.

"Many recommendations for significant budget reductions have been made to the Legislature in past years and failure to act on them has frequently been excused on the basis that these reductions fall in areas of continuing appropriations over which the Legislature has no direct control," Weinberger said.

"Under such circumstances, a balanced budget becomes impossible to achieve without increasing revenues or dipping into surpluses."

The committee also recommended establishment of a study committee to examine structure and function of all executive agencies of state government with an eye to economy measures.

SCOUT NEWS

CUR PACK 77

The pack began its December meeting at the Congregational Church with the cubs coming into the meeting room singing "Jingle Bells."

The Rev. M. A. McKinnis gave a short talk on the meaning of Christmas, stressing the words "giving," "helping" and "sharing," and the Cub Scout Christmas theme, the "Golden Rule," which was used on the Christmas float.

The Cub Scouts were presented with their registration cards by Cubmaster Emmitt Tucker. Mike Lewis received a one-year pin and Ronnie Stenler, a one-year pin and assistant denner badge.

Eva Reynolds was presented with a gift from the pack for her work as a den mother. Joan Aschenbach, a new den mother, was presented with a den mother's pin and a copy of the "Den Mother's Den-Book."

Den 3 gave a recital on the bottle xylophones which they and their dads had made. Everyone joined in singing Christmas carols.

Cubs exchanged gifts and the pack presented the youngsters with Christmas candy and nuts. Refreshments were served by Den 3.

DORRIS SCOUTS

DORRIS—Cub Scouting has been reactivated in Butte Valley according to an announcement by Butte Valley Auxiliary 5944. Veterans of Foreign Wars, sponsors of the scouting movement in the valley.

Mrs. Vivian Wilson, auxiliary president, said that adult officials have been selected for the Cub Scouts and that the first meeting is scheduled for the week of January 5, after school is again in session.

Bob Edgar, mayor of Dorris, is cubmaster and Arnold Skoog is his assistant. Cub Scout committeemen are Byard Kelly, chairman; Bob Collum, Ken Cleland and Ray Allen. James Robert Egeline is secretary—treasurer and Mrs. Egeline, VFW representative.

Den mothers selected at the recent organizational meeting at the Edgar home are Mrs. Ray Allen, Mrs. Bob Edgar, Mrs. James R. Egeline, Mrs. Martel Sundkvist and Mrs. Arthur Stallop. Their assistants are to be named at a later date.

President Wilson said that the group will contact parents of the boys in Butte Valley with information explaining how their sons may become Cub Scouts and to explain to parents how their boys can benefit from the training given to Boy Scouts.

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



I GUESS I SHOULD A BEEN A MILKMAN'S LITTLE BOY.

Trade-Dickering Mikoyan Remembers Lend-Lease

By THOMAS P. WHITNEY
AP Foreign News Analyst

The Russians haven't forgotten the golden days of lend-lease. Anastas I. Mikoyan will undoubtedly have them in mind when he talks about trade this week in Washington.

Trade is a favorite subject of Mikoyan and this is the field in which the Soviet deputy premier is an expert.

Mikoyan and the Soviet government believe the Soviet Union should be willing to consume any exports the United States is willing to finance.

In recent years this idea has never caught on in Washington, but the Russians never get tired of suggesting such a program.

Premier Nikita Khrushchev told President Eisenhower last June that the Soviet Union would like to buy a billion dollars worth of goods and equipment in the United States—if only the United States would provide the credits for So-

viet-American trade to get started.

The Soviet Radio, in a broadcast commenting on the Mikoyan visit to the United States, says one of the things the deputy premier may take up is this Khrushchev proposal.

During World War II the United States shipped some 11 billion dollars' worth of lend-lease goods to Russia. The Russians never made any settlement on the small portion of this debt the United States wanted the Soviet Union to pay.

During World War II several important Americans went to Russia especially to convince the Soviet government that it should accept huge postwar credits from the United States. The general idea was that America would end the war with big unemployment and unused productive capacity and that the best place to get rid of surplus equipment and production was the U.S.S.R.

Mikoyan took to this idea readily. So did Stalin. They were so convinced that the United States would insist on giving them big credits that they rejected an initial credit offer during wartime of nearly half a billion dollars—over a disagreement of around one quarter of one per cent on the rate of interest proposed, less than three per cent.

After the war Stalin hopefully suggested the United States give him an initial three billion dollar credit. The idea was not warmly received in Washington because by this time relations had begun to grow cool.

The Russians can't help wishing that the golden days of the lend-lease program would come back. Mikoyan's briefcase probably holds a few handy hints, ready to drop in Washington.

Lawyer Asks Venue Change

VENTURA, Calif. (UPI)—The attorney for Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan accused of plotting the "for hire" slaying of her pregnant daughter-in-law, will ask that her trial site be transferred.

S. Ward Sullivan, Los Angeles criminal lawyer, said, "The Ventura County district attorney, Roy Gustafson, has been making some statements to the press which are then relayed to the public, and by doing so has definitely attempted to influence the public in general against the defendants."

Sullivan added that the statements "have rendered it impossible for my client to receive a fair and impartial trial at the hands of an unbiased jury in Ventura County."

Mrs. Duncan, 54, was indicted by the grand jury along with two ex-convicts in the murder of Olga Kupecky Duunacan, 30, whose strangled and beaten body was discovered in a shallow grave at a drainage construction project.

Tests Ordered For Older Pilots

WASHINGTON (AP)—All airline pilots 35 and older have been ordered to take tests aimed at detecting heart disease.

The Civil Aeronautics Board says its order calling for electrocardiographic examinations, in addition to current medical tests, will become effective July 1.

The board said there have been several instances in recent years where pilots died in the cockpit in flight or just before takeoff as the result of heart attacks.

WARNER LOCKED OUT

HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—Jack M. Warner, son of film producer Jack L. Warner, was locked out of his office Friday at the studio bearing his family's name. The ouster followed a studio announcement that he had quit his job as vice-president in charge of production of industrial and commercial films. Warner, 42, said he did not resign.

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Children Admit Wrecking Home

FAIRFAX (UPI)—Seven children ranging in age from 3 to 12 years have admitted wrecking the summer home of Dr. Earl Miller, professor of radiology at University of California Medical Center in San Francisco.

The children broke 30 windows in Miller's home. They tossed tables, chairs, a desk, pillows, blankets and medical books into the swimming pool, along with two pans of machine oil.

They scribbled four-letter words on Miller's piano, broke every electric light bulb in the house, turned beds upside down and scattered salt, sugar and breakfast food over the floor.