



UNCROWDED CLASSROOMS were the rule at Klamath Union High School last week. Flu, which hit epidemic proportions Wednesday noon, knocked 600 of the high school's 1,600 students out of school. The figure was rising. The illness, which is a trial and tribulation KUHS students face just about annually, is striking harder than usual this year. Pictured is Mrs. Janet Deaton's typing class. Eleven of her 30 students are missing.

Ammunition Said At Hand For New Navy, AF Feud

WASHINGTON (AP) — The ammunition was at hand today for another rousing feud between the Navy and the Air Force. Secretary of Defense Neil McElroy disclosed that the Joint Chiefs of Staff are thinking about putting the Navy's Polaris submarine-missile weapon system under operational control of the Air Force's Strategic Air Command. McElroy told a news conference

Thursday he had not yet been notified of a decision by the chiefs of the armed services.

Strategic warfare is at the heart of the controversy.

In the past the Navy and Air Force have wrangled over strategic warfare, as distinguished from tactical operations against ships, planes or troops of an enemy. A decade ago they argued over big carriers and B36 heavy bombers. That issue was settled by building both.

The Polaris missile, to be launched from nuclear-powered submarines, is a strategic weapon. Its warhead will be hydrogen explosive designed to destroy enemy industrial regions and other targets far inland.

Destruction of strategic targets is primarily the function of SAC, the Air Force contends, but the Navy already has made inroads into the strategic field. Its big carriers, built since World War II, launch heavy planes which can carry nuclear weapons to strategic targets.

Nine Polaris submarines are being built or are authorized for building, with the first ones expected to be ready next year. The Navy has definite plans for another half dozen, and hopes for still more.

FARM HELPERS

Farmers who need manpower to help with spring planting or harvesting can hire youngsters under 16 years of age after school or during weekends and vacations. Madison R. Smith, supervisor of the U.S. Labor Department wage-hour office, says an important rule, though, is that children under 16 may not work on farms during school hours.

Toastmistresses Hold Session

Mrs. Lou Du Bois, supervisor of the Northwest region, International Toastmistresses' Clubs, Inc., was present here for a buzz session with the two local clubs, Mt. Mazama and Ewauna, April 13, in the Crater Room of the Winema Hotel.

Many interesting points on organization and training were gleaned by members from her remarks.

Mary Catherine Powell, retiring president, Council No. 4, was present. Members from Mt. Mazama were: Eve Morey, Virginia Fuller, Ingeborg Pex, Edna Howell, Floy Johnson, Reba Martz; from Ewauna, Helen Bassett, Ramona Smith, Margaret Davies.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION

MALIN—All children who will be entering the first grade in September are to report to the Malin Grade School on Tuesday morning, April 21 at 9 o'clock for the preschool clinic. Parents are asked to bring their children for this medical examination which is free of charge. Examinations will be given from 9 a.m. until noon.

Old Hatchery Closure Set

PORTLAND (AP) — Oregon's first trout hatchery has outlived its usefulness and will be closed July 15, the state Game Commission said Thursday.

The doomed hatchery is the McKenzie on the McKenzie River a few miles east of Eugene. Built as a salmon hatchery in 1907, it has been solely a trout hatchery since 1921.

State Game Director Phil Schneider said to overhaul the hatchery would cost at least \$200,000 and add only a few years to its life, which would not make it worth the expense.

Functions of the hatchery will be moved to others that can produce trout more efficiently and the staff will be transferred to a new hatchery near Astoria.

The McKenzie hatchery's brook trout stock of 3,200 Rainbow trout was released in streams near Eugene. Another 250,000 Rainbows will be released in mid-July and 500,000 Kokanee will be distributed this month.

CONFISCATE ISRAELI BOAT

ALEXANDRIA, U.A.R. (UPI)—The United Arab Republic has ordered confiscation of an Israeli fishing boat seized in September, 1957, in Egyptian territorial waters east of Port Said, it was announced today. The boat, Doron, was impounded on grounds it carried a radio transmitter too powerful for a vessel of its kind.

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Court Metes 'Justice' To Lakeview Residents

By JO DEELY

LAKEVIEW — The pioneers of Oregon may have had trouble in protecting their scalps on occasion but the hirsute ornaments on their chins couldn't possibly have caused them as much trouble as the "beardless ones" are having in Lake County these days.

A Whiskeroo Court is the determining factor during the weekly Saturday afternoon sessions in downtown Lakeview whether or not "A man's a man for lack of that" or whether hiding behind the bushy growth on his chin is the basis of his standing in the community.

The "court" is no respecter of persons and many of the mighty have fallen before the "oil drum" oratory of a bewhiskered, top-hatted, black-robed judge whose knowledge of jurisprudence may have been derived from a mail order catalogue or a leather bound tome with mixed up page markers.

It is all in the spirit of Oregon's Centennial celebration and the rollicking cavorting of the grownup lads is producing fun for them, and much comment from tourists who are coming in from other states to find themselves confronted with personalities who look like character actors from the days of Lincoln. No longer do attic tintype pictures look as strange as they used to. The subjects have been released and are mingling with the few smooth-faces who are clinging to the present.

There will be prizes later on for the doughty ones who have suffered through the stages of five o'clock shadow to the luxuriant growth of whatever color nature

or genes meant the beards to be, so it is necessary to raise funds for the rewards. Reason has to be shown why a daily shave is still a necessity, but even if the reason is good, it is still necessary to pay a buck for a shaving permit in order to continue business relations without constant apprehension.

There was little escape from the reckoning each week when the "mule skinner" started their roundup of citizens. County Judge Chris Langslet found that his new title of "Chief Winnemucca" did not present sufficient defense for his inability to grow a beard. District Attorney Chick Chaloupka found that his prosecution oratory boomeranged on his defense and was not sufficient to sway the "jury" so he was "hanged" by the shoulders until discomfort set in. Despite rumors that it was rigor mortis, he is able to be about without even a blue shadow on his chin.

It was thought that the court finally had things in hand when suddenly, last Saturday, there was a repercussion. It came about this way. After weeks of importunation and impugnation many citizens had decided on the course of least resistance, and the beards were growing. However, there were a number of the still "beardless ones" who felt there was a close similarity between some of the beards and the sagebrush of

Lake County, and that there was also a problem of sanitation and health, such as a presence of ticks and other live bodies.

An organization was formed to be known as the "Sagebrush Vigilantes" with Sheriff Tom Elliott

and Attorney Bob Nichols as two of the 10 presidents. When the mule skinner started their activities uptown last Saturday they suddenly found that they had been put upon by the vigilantes and, to their consternation, forced to

submit to an "insecticide spray" and the purchase of a "fungus permit."

There was one catch to the situation. Bob Howard, "Copco Bob," as he is known, who was the cause of all the original trouble and who sports one of the blackest beards in the county, was nowhere to be found. As of this writing he was still being sought by the sheriff.

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