

Council Gives Reprieve

PORTLAND (AP) — Nathan Zusman, known as the Mark of Stark, drew a brief reprieve Thursday.

The City Council agreed unanimously to recommend the state Oregon Liquor Control Commission extend 60 days his liquor license.

Only last week the council turned down Zusman's application that his Desert Room at 1217 SW Stark St. be granted an extension through 1960.

Zusman appealed for the temporary extension after that, saying he needed it to stave off grave financial loss.

The Liquor Commission generally accepts the City Council's recommendation on Portland liquor licenses.

Art Object Is Returned

PARIS (UPI)—A thin, slightly built Catholic priest in a heavy black raincoat walked into an art gallery on the expensive Rue du Faubourg Saint-Honore and asked for the proprietor.

Andre Urban walked out of the back office in the gallery and introduced himself. The priest handed over a small package containing a painting worth an estimated \$6,000.

The painting, according to a police report, was stolen late Tuesday afternoon. It had been given to the priest on Wednesday in the privacy of a confessional by two young men.

The priest, 43-year-old Michel de la Villeon, vicar of the Suresnes Church in the suburbs of Paris, immediately came to the city and sought out the art gallery from which the painting had been stolen.

He refused to tell police the names of the two young men who had walked off with the 1873 work by French impressionist Alfred Sisley.

New Nation Gets Freedom

PARIS (UPI) — Kamerun won freedom as Africa's newest independent state today and shrugged off its old name of French Cameroons — but its joy was clouded by the fear of new and bloody civil strife.

France's mandate over the country expired at midnight and the new nation of Kamerun was born. But French press reports said fear gripped the main port of Douala. Rebel African guerrillas staged one of their heaviest raids yet against the city two nights ago.

All the joy was centered in Yaounde where diplomats and United Nations delegations from all over the world were gathered for independence celebrations today.

The officials toll at Douala was 25 rebels killed and as many wounded, plus five more dead among civilians and government troops in the city. But some French newspapers reported 40 or more dead in the pitched battle.

France Takes New Currency

PARIS (UPI) — The new "heavy franc" worth 100 of the old francs became France's official currency today. It is worth approximately 18 cents.

Most stores were closed for New Year's but restaurants were quick to observe the law that makes the heavy franc official and requires that all prices be quoted in "old" and "new" francs for the time being.

Adoption of the heavy franc was part of a program by President Charles de Gaulle to restore the wildly inflated old franc to a proud place among the world's firmer currencies.

Until new currency is printed Frenchmen will use the old — paying 100 of the old francs for a cup of coffee priced one franc on the menu.

Fire Department Names Officers

MERRILL—Election of 1960 officers for the Merrill Volunteer Fire Department resulted in Don Crawford taking over the office of president. He succeeds Don Harris.

Other recently elected officers of the volunteer organization are Johnny O'Neil, vice president, and Chuck Pederson, secretary-treasurer.

Plans were made for a donkey basketball game between the Merrill Fire Department and the Merrill Lions Club. The event will be held Wednesday, February 3, at the Merrill High School gymnasium with the proceeds going to a high school project.

Saturday, February 27, is the date set for the annual fireman's ball at the Merrill Community Hall. Music will be by Baldy's Band.

Even Bathtub Was Stolen

By MEADER G. PATTINGTON
NEW YORK (NEA)—They finally stole the bathtub in 1959. In fact, 26 of them were stolen by an enterprising thief in Bilston, England.

While police were cleaning up that one, a family in McCann, Calif., after losing a stove and furniture in previous years, returned to their summer camp to find the entire cabin gone.

Other big items, too, had their day. Pike County, Ind., had a 30-foot bridge cut up and carted off. And two men took up two miles of railroad track in Montreal and sold it for scrap.

Probably the longest item on record ever to be stolen was a 20-foot sign taken from a railway station in Wales. The name—Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysilogogoch.

Animals were also featured in 1959's queer thefts.

A grocery store was robbed in Brooklyn while the watchdog calmly watched. The same watchdog then bit the police captain in the leg when the officer was making his investigation.

"Man bites dog" was given still another twist in a prison camp in Waycross, Ga., when bloodhounds dug under the prison fences and escaped. Prisoners were used to round up the dogs.

However, to keep pooches' reputation intact, a dog in Montpelier, Vt., sniffed out 40 bottles of liquor stolen earlier from a country club. The dog was hunting rabbits at the time.

And a parrot in Charlotte, N.C., squawked out: "Boy stealing, boy stealing."

Rumor Sees New Ike Trip

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP)—An offhand remark by Justice Minister Armando Falcão set off fresh speculation today that President Eisenhower will visit Latin America in February.

In reading a New Year's speech by ailing President Juscelino Kubitschek Thursday night, Falcão remarked that the government was happy that Eisenhower may be coming to Brazil in February. The remark was not included in the official text of Kubitschek's speech.

Reports from Washington earlier this week said the President wants to make a South American trip.

The newspaper Jornal do Brasil quoted Falcão today and added that an Eisenhower visit in February had been confirmed by diplomatic and other government sources.

The paper said the President would fly directly to Brasilia, Brazil's new capital which is under construction, then come to Rio de Janeiro and board a U.S. Navy cruiser for a trip to Montevideo, Uruguay, and Buenos Aires, Argentina. He would then fly to Santiago, Chile, the paper said.

Bishop Pleads For Freedom

BERLIN (AP)—Bishop Otto Dibelius went into Communist East Berlin today and combined a plea for freedom with a denunciation of anti-Semitic incidents in West Germany.

The 79-year-old head of the German Evangelical Church spoke to full pews.

He called the incidents in Cologne and elsewhere in West Germany disgusting. They are proof, he said, that the German nation has not overcome its past. He added that the past cannot be killed, but it can be overcome.

Without mentioning the Communists, he criticized their peace propaganda by saying that true peace is only possible with respect for others' freedom.

The bishop also made a reference to the decision suspending the U. S. ban on nuclear testing. He called it a "tragic Christmas gift."

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USMC Names Commandant

WASHINGTON (AP)—David M. Shoup, who won the Medal of Honor in Tarawa's fierce battle, today became commandant of the Marine Corps in which he has served and fought for 34 years.

He was sworn in at a ceremony presided over by Secretary of the Navy William Franke and attended by all members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, with whom he will work in strategy-making.

Shoup moved up to four-star rank in taking his new post.

At the famous and bloody engagement in which the Marines wrested the island of Tarawa from the Japanese, the then Col. Shoup was severely shocked by an exploding shell, and his leg was seriously wounded. But for days he carried on his battle command, ignoring his wound, leading his men across surf-pounded fringing reefs and against the strongly fortified enemy positions.

Shoup is the 22nd commandant of the historic Corps. The first

Bank Clearing Reaches High

PORTLAND (AP) — All-time record high Portland bank clearings for 1959 were reported Thursday by the local Federal Reserve Bank branch.

December clearings of \$1,133,009,993 pushed the total for the year to \$12,028,697,232, a monthly average of more than one billion dollars.

This compared with \$941,873,420 for December a year ago and a 1958 total of \$10,345,940,771.

City building permits for 1959 numbered 6,576 with an estimated value of \$55,222,905. In December 459 permits were issued with a value of \$4,562,900.

The 1959 building permits failed to surpass the record 1958 total of \$83,826,290, which included the multi-million dollar Lloyd Center.

The Multnomah County Planning Commission said county permits outside Portland for the year numbered 3,244 valued at \$37,812,096. This compared with 3,156 valued at \$33,373,019 last year.

The Washington County Planning Commission, which started operations April 6, issues 1,160 permits with an aggregate value of \$21,592,969 from then until the end of the year.

Solon Asks Rural Station

PORTLAND (AP) — The Post Office Department has been asked by Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore) to make the Princeton, Ore., post office a rural station of the Burns post office.

Norblad said in a release from his Washington, D.C., office that only two families get mail through general delivery at Princeton and none of its post office boxes are rented. He said 54 other families in the area get their mail by rural star route service.

He said Princeton post office receipts in the past year totaled \$486, compared with its \$2,184 operating cost. He said this amounted to a yearly cost of more than one thousand dollars per family getting general delivery mail, and called this exorbitant.

Norblad added that the rural Princeton station should cost only \$1,200 a year to operate with just as good postal service to residents.

REPEAT PERFORMANCE
PORTLAND (AP) — A son was born this New Year's Eve to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Barber. They named him David.

Last New Year's day a daughter, Cathy, was born to the Portland couple.

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7.60-15	35.85	25.36	43.90	28.46	32.00	22.66	39.20	25.66
8.00-8.20-13	39.95	29.66	48.95	32.95	36.95	26.36	45.75	29.36
7.50-14	29.85	20.66	36.55	23.76				
8.00-14	32.75	22.46	40.10	25.96				
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