

Berry Price Hike Seen

HILLSBORO (AP) — Oregon strawberry growers might get slightly higher prices for their 1960 crop, Marion Thomas, an Oregon economist, said here Tuesday.

If the increase does not develop, prices to growers will at least remain comparable with the 1959 level, Thomas told the Washington County Horticultural Review.

Thomas said in a speech at the start of the two-day conference that the price of sweet cherries probably will dip this year, and added that sour cherry growers will have to lower prices to compete with Midwest producing areas.

Walnut prices also will decline, he said. Thomas added, however, that farmers should get more money this year for filberts.

In discussing the general outlook for horticultural crops, Thomas said:

"Market prospects for none of the crops are highly favorable to producers, but some are better than others.

"If a grower is to make a living, it is going to be important to adopt cost cutting... and it will be more important in the next few years than in the past."

Postal Clerk Kills Girl Friend

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — A young postal clerk took his girl friend a funeral wreath. Then he shot her twice in the head and killed himself Tuesday.

Nathaniel Wyatt died after firing a bullet into his temple. Sandra Booth Wilson, 23, was reported in critical condition.

Priscilla Jefferson, an aunt of Mrs. Wilson, told police the young Negro couple broke up a few days ago.

Lowering Set For Reservoir

PORTLAND (AP) — The Army Corps of Engineers said Tuesday the reservoir behind Bonneville Dam will be lowered three feet this weekend.

The purpose is to get the water level low enough so the city of Hood River can extend a storm outflow line into the Columbia River.

NO LIQUOR, NO TOBACCO
WELLMAN, Iowa (UPI) — Edwin E. Neal, 103, Tuesday attributed his long life to no liquor and no tobacco. He said his main purpose now is to live another 100 years.



"It's a very educational game. Already the kids have learned how to cheat!"

Solons Cool On Project

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators gave a cool reception Tuesday to a proposal that Congress appropriate in one lump all the funds needed to complete each water project it authorizes.

Lt. Gen. E. C. Itchner, chief of Army Engineers, put the idea forward in an appearance before a Senate Appropriations subcommittee. He said it would mean big savings and, in some cases, faster completion of projects.

But, said Sen. Warren C. Magnuson (D-Wash.), "we wouldn't be able to get it through Congress."

And, added chairman Allen J. Ellender (D-La.), the plan would mean tying up huge sums in the case of large projects.

For instance, said Ellender, John Day Dam on the Columbia River, has a cost of 380 million dollars. Congress gets criticized enough, he said, when this kind of cost is spread out over several years.

Both senators said the plan might be worth a try on smaller projects.

SHELL KILLS BOY
REIMS, France (UPI) — Benjamin Baudry, 15, was killed Tuesday when an artillery shell he found in a woods near here exploded. According to military experts, the shell dated from World War I.

Anyone We Pick Can Beat Hell Out Of Him: HST

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Former President Harry S. Truman, always a vigorous Democratic campaigner, sees a party victory in 1960 if the Republicans nominate Richard M. Nixon.

"Anyone we nominate can beat the hell out of him," Truman cheerily told newsmen.

Truman met reporters when he arrived in Miami Tuesday to see a play starring his daughter, Margaret, and relax in Miami and Key West.

Asked whom he'd prefer as Democratic nominee, Truman said "I have no preference at this time and I will support the nominee."

"But I'll let him be picked at the convention—I'm not doing the picking."

Funds Included For School, Park

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Funds for a school and a park in Oregon were included in the Interior Department appropriation bill passed Tuesday by the House.

In an announcement from Washington, D. C., Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore) said the bill contained \$141,000 for rehabilitation facilities at the Chemawa Indian School and \$82,000 for the Fort Clatsop Memorial Park.

Conscience Of Officials Key To Chessman's Life

SAN QUENTIN, Calif. (UPI) — Convict-author Caryl Chessman played a longshot today by staking his life on the "conscience" of the few officials with the legal date.

Chessman's present hopes lie with Justice Felix Frankfurter of the U. S. Supreme Court, the California Supreme Court and Gov. Edmund G. Brown.

Attorney Rosalie Asher made the 13th and "last chance" appeal to the Supreme Court in Washington Tuesday. The 56-page plea and 15 pounds of supporting evidence were presented to Frankfurter as "the senior justice available." There was no immediate action on the plea.

Attorney George T. Davis announced here Chessman requested that no more legal moves be made until a ruling was handed down by Frankfurter.

Davis said he agreed with the condemned man that any move at this time would "simply cloud the issue."

Brown refused a plea of clemency on Oct. 2, but Davis noted that the application still is pending until Chessman dies.

The governor said Tuesday he was not dismissing the issue of clemency. But, he added, "in the absence of any formal request from Mr. Chessman, there's nothing before me, so I'm not doing anything."

Chessman has refused to seek clemency personally. He maintains such action would amount to an admission of guilt — and he wants exoneration.

However, the attorneys are free to seek clemency on their own. Davis said he also might ask the state Supreme Court to make a clemency recommendation to Brown.

Because Chessman has prior felony convictions, Brown would need the court's agreement before he could reduce the death sentence to life imprisonment. Normally, however, clemency petitions are addressed only to the governor — who then seeks the advice of the court.

Davis quoted Chessman as saying that as far as he was concerned the situation now "is a matter of conscience for the governor and the state Supreme Court."

The attorney said the condemned man was "as calm as I've ever seen him."

Car Hand Brake Released By Tot

SAN LEANDRO, Calif. (AP) — A baby crawling on the floor of his parents' car—as they prepared to unhitch their boat trailer on a launching ramp — released the hand brake.

Clinton Norman, 23, and his wife of nearby Castro Valley, were uncoupling the rig when the car began rolling backwards into the water. The trailer knocked Norman down.

Michael McColes, 32, a salesman, leaped from his parked car and plunged into the water. He pulled the baby through the window as the car and trailer sank.

Nobody was hurt, but the dripping salesman said: "I'm surprised myself. I didn't think I had it in me."



Grieving Pooch Has New Home

DETROIT (AP) — An old mongrel, which attracted wide attention with a six-day fast while grieving for the master who never came, has a new home.

"Old brokenhearted" has been adopted by a family in nearby Birmingham. The local Humane Society says the dog still is mourning for his master but seems to be in better spirits. He's also eating again.

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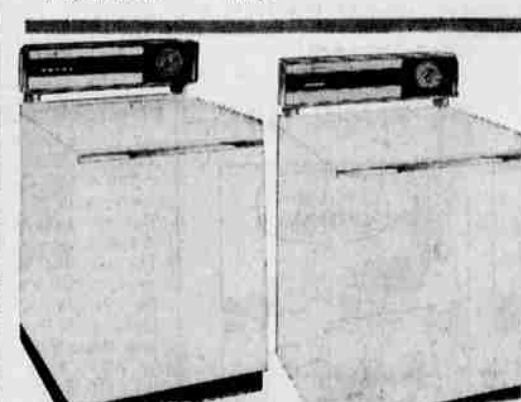
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