



SISKIYOU COUNTY Road Department equipment has begun grading work on property behind the Siskiyou County General Hospital where the new county juvenile hall will be constructed. The low bid of \$65,332, submitted by a Redding firm, Treadwell Construction Company, and George F. Farley, was accepted by the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors February 9, and official ground-breaking ceremonies were conducted Tuesday.

—Photo by Betty Dow

### Jobless Pay May Be Given Top Stars

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — The actors strike has thrown thousands of film folk out of work and even wealthy stars like Clark Gable, John Wayne, Jayne Mansfield and Kim Novak may be eligible for weekly unemployment checks of \$55 from the state.

Although the Screen Actors Guild represents 14,600 members, a union spokesman said approximately 9,000 members live in the Hollywood area, 3,000 in New York and the rest are scattered throughout the nation.

Of the thousands who live here, many are only part-time actors who hold other jobs.

But, another 12,000 workers are threatened with loss of employment now that Hollywood's studios are only operating at a small percentage of capacity. Most of that group are full time employees.

A spokesman for the State Unemployment Compensation Office, where actors, electricians, clerical workers and other studio personnel are applying for payments, said that approximately 1200 have sought aid.

So far though, no big stars have been chauffeured up to the unemployment office in limousines asking for help.

The seven major studios and guild representatives made a new effort today to end the strike which began Monday.



DONALD H. RIFFEY, son of Mrs. Lucy Gant, of 2348 Greensprings Drive, was sworn into the Navy recently at Portland, as a seaman. He enlisted here. He will receive recruit training at San Diego.

Jumala, protector of the flocks, was worshipped by ancient Finns and Laps.

### Scientific Post Seen

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The government's responsibility for supporting much of the nation's research may lead to a scientific post in the President's cabinet, a State Department official said Thursday.

Dr. Wallace R. Brode, science adviser to Secretary of State Christian A. Herter, told a University of Texas audience a study should be made of ways to integrate scientific activities with foreign policy.

The government's responsibility to support a major share of research and applied-science programs "must eventually center in a coordinating establishment such as a department of science," Brode said.

### TRUCKS RULED NEGLIGENT

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (UPI) — A coroner's jury Thursday ruled truck driver John Garrett negligent in the March 1 collision of his tanker-truck and a passenger train. Garrett and 13 others lost their lives in the crash.

### India-Red Talks Date Announced

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Indian Prime Minister Nehru told Parliament today that he has proposed April 20 to Red Chinese Premier Chou En-lai as the date for their meeting in New Delhi to discuss their border dispute.

Peiping has not yet accepted the date, but Chou said earlier he would be willing to come to India for talks in April.

Nehru had originally extended the invitation for late March. He said the meeting would have to be before April 29-30, when he is flying to London for a Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference.

### BAN EDEN'S MEMOIRS

BAGHDAD (UPI) — The Iraq government has banned Sir Anthony Eden's memoirs under the "dangerous propaganda" law, it was announced Thursday.

A spokesman said the action was taken because the autobiography of the former British prime minister—the first volume of which was published recently under the title, "Full Circle"—had "unjustly attacked" the Iraq revolution and Premier Abdel Karim Kassam.

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### Poet Who Escaped Death Favorite Of Con-Author

SAN QUENTIN, Calif. (AP) — Caryl Chessman's favorite literary figure through nearly 12 years in a death row cell is Francois Villon, roguish 15th century French poet who twice escaped hanging.

Villon, celebrating his second reprieve from doom, wrote a jubilant eight-line ballad which said, in unmetre English translation: "What d'you think of my appeal, Garnier?"

"Was I wise or a fool? "Every beast looks to his own skin,

"And when he's trapped and held he does his utmost to get free, if he can.

"When this homily (death sentence) was sung to me, without rhyme or reason,

"Was that the time to keep my mouth shut, hey?"

The verses of Villon, born in 1431, have particularly direct appeal for him, Chessman smilingly acknowledged in an interview.

Chessman's gas chamber execution has been stayed eight times by persistent appeals. His prolonged appeal struggle aroused worldwide attention and consideration by the California Legislature of repealing the death penalty.

A legislative committee early Thursday rejected a bill which was aimed at abolishing capital punishment.

Chessman's next date with death, after a reprieve ordered by Gov. Edmund G. Brown is May 2. He originally was sentenced in June 1948 for conviction of kidnaping, robbing and sexually abusing two Los Angeles women.

Omnivorous reading has been his chief relaxation, Chessman said, when he could take time off from reading law and writing briefs and letters in his marathon struggle for survival.

By mutual understanding among the condemned prisoners, now numbering 20, talk exchange and chatter knocks off at 11 p.m.

Chessman settles in his reading in the quiet night hours and stays at it until 2, 3 or 4 in the morning.

He said his law reading steered his interest toward history and how present law derives from the past. He has thoroughly studied the period of the English Magna Charta, reluctantly granted as an original bill of rights by King John June 15, 1215. The precise date was ready in Chessman's mind.

Benvenuto Cellini, the Florentine goldsmith, sculptor and artist attracted Chessman's interest before Villon as an historical figure in conflict with authority in his time.

"Cellini was a hell-raiser and a roisterer. Villon is known as a rogue and troublemaker. But also they were creative," Chessman declared.

"I don't mean to argue that you have to be a villain to be creative. But as a consequence of what they were, or perhaps in compensation, these men produced historically great creative works."

Besides his reading of choice, Chessman has completed considerable university extension correspondence study in death row.

This work has included courses in French, psychology, history and mathematics. He said he has covered the equivalent of three college years.

Chessman completed the last two high school years in a previous San Quentin term. He also became quite expert then in shorthand and typing.

### 9 Fail To Appear On Game Charge

PENDLETON (AP) — Nine persons who failed to appear in district court here Thursday to answer gambling charges forfeited their bail.

The bail was \$100 each for seven arrested Feb. 8 and charged with permitting gambling in a building.

Two others forfeited \$50 each. They were accused of operating slot machines.

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### Cycle Club Given Honors

ROSEBURG, Ore. (AP) — The Rumble Bees Motorcycle Club was cited Thursday night by the American Motorcycle Assn. as the outstanding motorcycle club in the nation.

The Rumble Bees was cited for the role its members played in Roseburg Aug. 7 after a truck loaded with explosives blew up.

The explosives, equivalent to 52 World War II blockbuster bombs, wiped out nearly 12 blocks in the city of 13,000 persons, claimed 13 lives and did more than \$13 million dollars property damage.

Reacting immediately after the blast at 1:07 a.m., the Rumble Bees reported to police headquarters. They were assigned to patrol the blasted out streets.

Frank Copeland, a member, was credited with rescuing seven persons from a burning apartment building.

Another member, Charlie Scroggins, was blown 100 yards from his motorcycle in the initial blast, yet helped in fire fighting efforts and did patrol duty although he suffered a punctured eardrum.

A former member of the Roseburg Police Department, Glen Cutler, is president of the 25-member club.

The national association also named Carrol Resweber, Cedarburg, Wis., as the most popular male rider of the year. Marlene Wolfe, Indian Orchard, Mass., was chosen the most popular girl rider.

### Education Office Certifies Grants

PORTLAND (AP) — The office of Education has certified two grants, one for \$1,792 to the Cloverdale, Ore., school district and one for \$2,160 to the Clatskanie, Ore., district.

The two grants by the federal agency were reported Thursday by Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) in a telegram to the Associated Press.

The money is provided under a federal law which gives financial aid to schools in areas where there has been a large influx of federal employees.

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### Complaints Hit By Attorneys

PORTLAND (AP) — Attorneys for nine college students charged with disorderly conduct as a result of picketing at the struck Oregonian plant in Portland termed the complaints faulty and unconstitutional.

Judge Alan Brown of Municipal Court granted the city attorney one week to reply.

The nine, from Reed College and Portland State College, were arrested Feb. 13.

They were arrested when they appeared in the wake of a proclamation by Mayor Terry Schunk banning mass picketing in the Portland newspaper strike.

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