

By FRANK JENKINS  
As this is written, a dispatch has just come over the wires from Washington "revealing" that Owyhee, the name given to Idaho's southwest county, to a range of mountains and to a river that flows out of Idaho into Oregon, where it furnishes irrigation water for a rich agricultural area in Oregon's Malheur county, is derived from the earliest spelling of Hawaii, our nation's youngest state.

The dispatch goes on to say that the story was "disclosed" in Washington the other day in a report from the office of H. Max Hanson, Idaho administrator for the Farmers Home Administration, to Idaho's Senator Frank Church, who relayed it on to Senator Daniel K. Inouye, who is a good Democrat from Hawaii.

According to Hanson's report, the name of the natives of the Sandwich (Hawaiian) Islands was originally rendered from phonetic into English as Owyhee—that being the nearest anyone could come to the sounds made by the natives when they pronounced it.

Since the Sandwich Islands were an early, though rather out of the way, stop-over point for food and water for English vessels headed for the Northwest Coast of North America, it was natural for some of these Hawaiian natives to be picked up and brought along.

Many of these "Owyhees" joined trapping parties into the interior, and in the early 1800's three of them were lost in what the Hanson report describes as the watersheds of a large unnamed river and were presumed to have been killed by the Indians. The river where this occurred, the report says, was named, in their memory, the Owyhee River.

The Hanson report concludes by noting that Island missionaries later changed Owyhee to HAWAII and adds that "nowhere else does the old spelling survive except to designate the mountains and the river in Southwest Idaho and Malheur county, Oregon."

Well, it's interesting. But Mr. Hanson is a little previous in assuming that his report is the first to bring all these facts into the focus of history. Oregon's Lewis (Tami) McArthur bent him to it by nearly half a century. In his Oregon Geographic Names, he says:

"On Saturday, February 18, 1825, Peter Skene Ogden, then on his second expedition into the Snake River country, 'reached Sandwich Island River, so called, owing to two of them murdered by Snake Indians in 1819.' There seems to be no doubt that the Owyhee River was named for these Hawaiians, for on June 15 of the same year Ogden uses the word Owyhee. The name Owyhee was generally used a century ago for Hawaii."

"The first sailing vessel that came into the Columbia River after the Astor venture was the American bark Owyhee. Owyhee River drains a large area in Oregon and Western Idaho, and there are other geographic features bearing the name, derived from the name of the river. There is also a community of Owyhee near the mouth of the Owyhee river and also an Owyhee Ridge in Malheur county."

One can't help wondering how much news was conveyed to Senator Church of Idaho and Senator Inouye of Hawaii by these researchers of Farmers Home Administration researcher Hanson.

Senator Church is a graduate of Stanford. He served during the war with Military Intelligence in China, Burma and India. He undoubtedly knows his way around. Senator Inouye was born in Hawaii; he has an A.B. degree from the University of Hawaii and a J.D. degree from George Washington University. He is a retired captain in the U.S. Army. It is rather probable that he won't be much surprised to learn of the origin of the name Hawaii.

And, by the way, this whole story of the origin of the name Hawaii is carried in detail by the World Book Encyclopedia. But, at any rate, it seems to have been news to Bureaucrat Hanson.

By the way—  
Whence came the name Sandwich Islands?  
They were so named by Captain James Cook for his friend Lord Sandwich, Earl of Sandwich—who is presumed to have been the first to put a slice of meat between two slices of bread and eat it from his fingers.

**Klamath Coldest**  
NEW YORK (UPI)—The U.S. Weather Bureau said the nation's lowest temperature for this morning was recorded at Klamath Falls, Ore.—21 degrees.

**Weather**

Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview  
—Partly cloudy and little warmer today. Night and Monday. Chances of a few snow flurries today. High today 47; low tonight 25-30. High Monday 50. Northwesterly winds 5-15 m.p.h.  
High Saturday 47  
Low Saturday morning 25  
High year ago 52  
Low year ago 27  
Precip. past 24 hours 34  
Since Jan. 1 4.37  
Same period last year 4.33

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## Laos Reds Control Plain Of Jars



**WIN SAFETY AWARDS** — Employees of Pacific Power and Light's Klamath Falls district celebrated 220,000 man-hours without a disabling injury at a banquet Friday night at Reames Country Club. Recipients of the plaque awards on behalf of the PPL crews are, left to right, Bruce Hall, Elwood Hedberg, Ed Crandall, Sam Ritchey, Keith King, Chuck Perry, George Wright, Chuck Boyden and H. E. Seideman. Boyden and Wright are from the Tulelake safety committee.

## Neutralists Pulled Out Of Airport

VIETIANE, Laos (UPI)—Communist Pathet Lao troops have driven neutralist Gen. Kong Le from his airport stronghold on the Plain of Jars and are in position to crush him completely, military sources reported Saturday.

The sources said Kong Le's men withdrew to the village of Man Phanh, about six miles northwest of the airport, and began digging in for a possible new attack by the Pathet Lao. However, the Pathet Lao did not immediately follow up their advantage, the reports said.

Fighting also was reported to have flared at Vang Vieng, an important road junction only 50 miles north of Vietiane. The village, on the main road from Vietiane to the royal capital of Luang Prabang, has been held jointly by neutralist and Pathet Lao forces.

Military observers said Communist artillery had turned Kong Le's airfield into a rubble-strewn no-man's land. Neutralists had held out there against overwhelming odds after retreating from nearby Phong Savang, one of Kong Le's last major strongholds.

The observers said Kong Le still held a "sizeable" area of the plain but that the Communists had overwhelming superiority in manpower and artillery and could sweep his forces from the plain at any time. This would give the Pathet Lao control of two-thirds of Laos.

Neutralist Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma announced plans Saturday for another peace-making visit to the Plain of Jars—if he receives permission from his half-brother, Red Prince Souphanouvong, leader of the Pathet Lao.

His telegram was sent to the leftist stronghold of Khang Khay where Souphanouvong has been for the past several days.

A communiqué issued by Souvanna's office said the decision to go to the plain was taken in a meeting between Souvanna, the British and Soviet ambassadors and officials of the International Control Commission. No date was set.

It said Souvanna cabled Souphanouvong seeking his views on when and how to go and the possible dangers.



**PRISON RIOT SCENE** — This aerial photo of the federal penitentiary at New Westminster, B. C., shows prisoners herded into exercise yard at upper right after riot in domed building at upper left. The riot supported three convicts who held a guard hostage in windowless auditorium, left center, for 14 hours, finally releasing him unharmed after their request for transfer to other institutions was granted. — UPI Telephoto

## Guard Held At Knife Point As Canadian Convicts Riot

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C. (UPI)—Canadian federal prison authorities agreed today to transfer three prison rioters from the Federal Penitentiary here to save the life of a prison guard the rioters held as hostage at knife point for more than 12 hours.

The agreement was announced by Jack Webster, a radio commentator who acted as intermediary between the prisoners and authorities at the request of the rioters. The unnamed guard, bound to a chair with copper wire, had been held with three

sharp six-inch blades pressed to his throat.

Webster worked out an agreement with the commissioner of penitentiaries whereby the guard would be released by rioter Nelson B. Wood after prison authorities took the other two rioters, Gerald Casey and Wayne L. Carlson, to the airport for transfer and returned with assurances that they had been put on a plane.

The commentator said Wood would then be put on a plane for transfer, too.

The three men tried to break out of the penitentiary Friday night after authorities had turned down their requests for transfer.

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## Nixon Asks Safety Record Set By PPL Employees Of Exiles

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Former Vice President Richard M. Nixon Saturday advocated a "fundamental change" in U.S. policy toward Cuba to provide open support for refugee forces trying to overthrow the Communist regime.

He also urged a presidential proclamation, backed by a congressional resolution, to assert that the United States would do whatever is necessary to "force the removal of the Soviet beachhead" in Cuba.

Speaking to the American Society of Newspaper Editors, Nixon expressed a belief that the exercise of "minimum power," combined with political and economic pressure, might make it unnecessary ever to resort to a blockade or military invasion to turn out the Fidel Castro regime.

Nixon made these proposals both in a prepared speech and in response to questions at the annual meeting of the editors, who Friday heard President Kennedy.

Nixon also fielded some political questions. While avoiding any endorsement of a 1964 candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, he expressed the belief that the "strongest ticket" would include both Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York and Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona.

"Certainly if Lyndon (Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson) and Jack (President Kennedy) can get together, Barry and Nelson can do so," he said.

**U.S. Urges Laos Action**

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The United States Saturday urged the three nations charged with policing the Laotian peace agreement to try to check the peril stemming from new Communist military operations there.

Secretary of State Dean Rusk held individual meetings this afternoon with the envoys of India, Poland and Canada—the countries designated under last year's Geneva accords to see that the pact was kept.

This was one of two steps ordered by President Kennedy after an hour-long meeting on Laos with his National Security Council.

## Safety Record Set By PPL Employees As Fishing Boat Tilts

Employees of Pacific Power and Light Company's Klamath Falls district celebrated a safety record of nearly one-quarter of a million man hours worked without a time-loss accident Friday night at a combined safety dinner and awards night.

Representatives from several local labor, civic and industrial organizations attended the event to offer congratulations to the district employees for their outstanding safety achievement.

Among the honors presented last night was the State Industrial Accident Commission award, accepted by Sam Ritchey, Klamath Falls district manager, from Sam Brown, local representative of SIAC.

Frank Bash, Copco division manager for the power company, presented the company's Gold Award to Dale Jefferson, line superintendent, and Keith King, Klamath Safety Committee chairman, who accepted on behalf of the employees they represent.

A special Silver Award was also presented by Bash to C. A. Boyden and George Wright, Tulelake Safety Committee chairman, in recognition of their local area contribution to the safety mark.

Another Silver Award was presented to Elwood Hedberg, power superintendent, for the power department employees in the John C. Boyle plant, West Side plant of Klamath Falls, Klamath Falls substation and power maintenance.

Other company officials who attended the banquet, from left to right, were Hank Hurlbut, assistant personnel manager; Bob Moench, engineer; Blair Babcock, employment manager, all of Portland; Bob Smith, administrative assistant to Bash; Claude Haggard, Copco division safety director and Don Rutter, Copco division safety engineer.

## Nine Drown As Fishing Boat Tilts

SCOTTSBORO, Ala. (UPI)—Nine members of a mountain family heading for an island fishery drowned early Saturday when their leaky fishing boat was swamped in the backwaters of the Tennessee River, and they panicked.

Two others in the boat, Charles Caves, 18, and his 10-year-old brother Jimmy, managed to make it to safety. The mishap occurred shortly after midnight.

The victims were identified as Mrs. Violet Caves, 37; John Caves, 2; Charlotte Caves, 12; Mrs. Olla Mae Pruett Caves, 15; Mona Caves, 8; Billy Caves, 7; Rebecca June Caves, 5; Monica Lynn Caves, 3, and Mrs. Ola Pruett, 45, a relative.

The family, which lives at Duncan Crossroads—a tiny community in the foothills of the Appalachians near the Alabama-Tennessee line—had started out Friday night for Starkey Island, where a relative owns a home.

They had planned to spend the weekend fishing and then celebrate with a cookout.

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**CRATERS OF THE MOON** — Malcolm East and Ingrid Miller, two science teachers at Ferguson Elementary School who helped coordinate the Klamath County School District Science Fair, display one of the projects which took gold medal honors at the regional fair at Ferguson, April 16, 17 and 18. The project, entitled "The Moon—its Craters, Seas, Mountains and Lakes," was entered in the intermediate division by Ferguson student, Lee McCallister.

## Senate 'Variations' Expected In House-Approved Tax Measures

SALEM (UPI)—The major money-raising program of the House Tax Committee appeared headed for "variations" in the Senate Saturday after sweeping surprisingly through the House Friday.

Senate Tax Committee Chairman Boyd Overhulse, D-Madras, said he expected the Senate would put "quite a few variations" in the \$35 million modified net receipts income tax bill, which passed the House 43-18 in an unexpectedly strong victory for the House Tax Committee.

And he said the Senate cast a reluctant eye on the 4-cent a

package. \$15-million cigarette tax bill which after an earlier defeat, cleared the House Friday 39-21.

The House also passed Friday a companion bill to save the state \$9 million in contested bank taxes.

It was a stunning climax to the House committee's session long toil to create a program to raise some \$66 million in needed new revenue. The session's biggest problem.

Already passed by the House and in the Senate is the third part of the triangle income-cigarette "one-shot" revenue program. The one-shot bill would speed up employers' turnover of monthly with-

holding payments to the state to bring in an extra \$12 million before the end of the 1963-65 biennium.

Overhulse noted if the Senate rejects either the cigarette tax or the one-shot bill, it could necessitate drastic changes in the income tax bill.

**Party Lines Crossed**  
The House passed the big tax bills on mixed party votes. The action also was a victory for Gov. Mark Hatfield, who proposed a more severe net receipts income tax and a cigarette tax to balance his \$405 million proposed budget.

The income tax bill would tax

for the first time some low bracket earners. It also would increase taxes for those now paying, but by eliminating the federal income tax deduction from Oregon taxes, it would make possible a forgiveness at the federal tax level that would offset a good part of the state increase.

The income tax bill applies to persons earning over \$500. It would apply a net one per cent tax to income below \$15,000 and one and one-half per cent to income above \$15,000. On the net tax feature, there would not be any deductions or credits.

It also includes a graduated in-

come tax with percentages ranging from one to six per cent.

Although eliminating the federal income tax deduction, it increases the state standard deduction from five to 10 per cent. Medical, charitable and other deductions beyond that could be itemized.

Instead of the present \$600 exemption for each dependent, a flat \$22 credit for each dependent would be sustained from the final tax bill.

**Tax Structure Reform**  
House Tax Committee Chairman Richard Eymann, D-Marcola, and member Victor Atiyeh, R-Beaverton, said the bill would reform

and simplify Oregon's income tax structure, pick up new taxpayers, keep money in Oregon now going to the federal government, and give flexibility for the future.

"It will pay for services for which you have been voting and the people have been asking," Eymann told the House.

Rep. Joe Rogers, R-Independence, a sales tax advocate, said only \$2 million of the new money would come from new taxpayers.

The cigarette tax bill, as before, was termed a "selective sales tax."

who once offered his own tax program, said he opposed the cigarette tax but was voting for it because "we cannot afford at this stage to have our own individual programs. This is the program of the committee and the House leadership. It raises the needed revenue."

The bank tax bill is an attempt to shut a loophole under which banks have protested a part of the 9 per cent corporate excise tax since 1957. The bill is retroactive.

Rep. Sidney Bazett, R-Grants Pass, called it "a devious way to win a court decision" and said it also would hit other institutions.

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## Joint Game Talk Slated

Problems relating to the numbers of elk and deer harvested annually will be among the topics discussed at a meeting of the State Game Commission and members of the State and Federal Affairs Committee of the Oregon Senate.

Sen. Harry Boivin, chairman of the committee, said Saturday that he had invited members of the commission to meet with this committee Tuesday at 2 p.m., at the state capitol to discuss the methods the commission uses to determine the number of elk and deer harvested each year.

Also to be discussed, Boivin said, is the matter of accuracy of the count, and how new programs of counting availability of deer and elk can be developed.

This meeting is open to the public.

## OSU Picks Two Klamath Youths

CORVALLIS (UPI)—Grant Watkinson, a junior from Newport, was elected student body president of Oregon State University Friday.

George Blakely of Portland and Anne Taylor of Creswell were chosen first and second vice presidents, respectively.

Francis Kenyon of Klamath Falls was elected president of the Memorial Union.

Also chosen were William Manning, Klamath Falls, senior class president; Richard Gordon, Medford, junior class president, and Donald Reed, Halfway, sophomore class president.