

Johnson Continues Series Of Meetings

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The business community appeared today to be in a friendly mood toward the Johnson administration, principally because of the new President's previous record as a senator.

Business spokesmen said unofficially that Johnson's record suggests that he will promote the kind of economic policies that should maintain the current era of relative prosperity.

The President gets a chance to chat first-hand about the subject today when he confers this evening with members of the Business Council — the influential organization of corporate presidents and industrial leaders.

Police Eye Notes Left By Starlet

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Experts continued their painstaking investigation today of notes made by starlet Karyn Kupcinet before she was strangled.

But Lt. George Walsh of sheriff's homicide said it was "not exactly a diary," just random notes.

Ruby Trial Postponed Until Feb. 3

DALLAS (UPI) — Jack Ruby's murder trial was delayed Tuesday until Feb. 3 to allow the state and defense lawyers more time to prepare their cases.

East Side . . . West Side All Around the Town

By JOE CARAHER

This is not a new column. It's an old one with a new setting. It's weathered some storms over the years but by and large it's like Monday hash — a little of this and that about people and things in our town.

For instance: A fellow called at the office the other day and wanted to see us. We were gone at the moment so he left his name. When we returned, Inez, the friendly H&N receptionist said, "A Tony Egan was here to see you!"

We thought about Tony Egan the rest of the day. Who could he be? The only Tony Egan we'd ever known was our "boss" at the old Weyerhaeuser mill at Pottlatch, Idaho.

In any event we called the A. T. Egan household here in Klamath and raised the man of the house. Sure enough he was the Tony Egan from Pottlatch. But that was a long time ago. He's lived in Klamath for many years. But he was happy to come in, sit down, and talk for awhile about the "ol' days" back in Idaho where people didn't have much else to do on Sunday except go to the ball park.

He recalled the Sunday when we played a morning game in Bovill and then went on up to Elk River. Pitching against us that afternoon was a new coach at Washington State College, Jack Friel.

(Whoa, we're beginning to sound like Gregory!) Tony told us about coming here because of a better job, marrying and rearing a family; two daughters, Mary Valentine lives in Bellingham now. Her sister, Ann, now is Mrs. Ed Waltz and they make their home in Akron, Ohio.

The ol' shortstop isn't quite as slim as he was when he labored a tough eight a day at Pottlatch and then worked out briskly on the diamond in the evening preparatory to a Sunday contest. Nor is he quite as nimble as he was when he moved over to make the double play. Neither is the old editor who stood in at the hot corner. But he's got the same ol' twinkle in the eye, the ready smile and the pleasant manner.

And it was good of him to put out the "welcome mat" and greet a stranger coming in to town.

Along the Rialto — A couple of Air Force officers were ringing the bell for the Salvation Army stand in front of Penney's last Saturday, a nice gesture on the part of the local airmen in an effort to help the needy come December 25. . . . Our church editor, June Johnson, reports everything's all set for a wonderful parade here Saturday afternoon — one you won't want to miss because it follows the theme of putting Christ back into Christmas. . . . Chamber Manager George Callison reports in his Klamath Keynotes bulletin to the membership that bank debts, postal receipts and parking meter income is up for the first 10 months of this year over 1962; that building permits have more than doubled and there are more than 100 new water users. Who says we aren't growing! . . . Norm Poulshock directed the Klamath Symphony to a scintillating performance at Mills Auditorium Tuesday night and how about three rousing cheers for these talented laymen musicians.

Russians Judged Oswald More Crackpot Than Red

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Russians judged Lee Harvey Oswald, accused slayer of President Kennedy, to be more of a crackpot than a Communist during his three-year stay in the Soviet Union.

That is the conclusion U. S. officials draw from the Soviet consular files on Oswald turned over to Secretary of State Dean Rusk last Saturday by Russian Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin.

The files, which sources said added nothing of major significance to the case, are expected to be among the materials turned over to a special seven-man commission ordered by President Johnson to investigate the assassination.

The commission, headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren, holds its first meeting Thursday to organize its work and procedures. Besides Warren, members include: Sens. Richard B. Russell, D-Ga., and John Sherman Cooper, R-Ky.; Reps. Hale Boggs, D-La., and Gerald R. Ford, R-Mich.; Allen W. Dulles, former head of the Central Intelligence Agency, and John J. McCloy, former U.S. high commissioner in Germany.

Showdown Near On Mexican Farm Labor Issue

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate moved today toward what appeared to be a final showdown on efforts to extend the controversial Mexican farm labor program.

Senate leaders scheduled a vote on a House-passed measure to extend for one year a program under which Mexican workers — the so-called braceros — are brought into the United States to help harvest crops.

Debate on the bill opened Tuesday when Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Allen J. Ellender, D-La., urged the Senate to go along with a simple one-year extension to Dec. 31, 1964.

However, opposition to the legislation was voiced by Sens. Eugene J. McCarthy, D-Minn.,

William Proxmire, D-Wis., and Paul Douglas, D-Ill. They said the Senate should insist on a conference with the House on an amendment by McCarthy which would require farmers to offer American farm workers benefits "comparable" to those granted Mexicans under the law.

The House passed legislation calling for a simple one-year extension after sidetracking a Senate bill including the McCarthy amendment.

To agree to the House measure, McCarthy said, would be a "surrender" to the other body. He said it would set a bad precedent for other legislation on which the House and Senate differed sharply.

The bracero program was begun in 1951 under an agreement with Mexico. It is administered by the Labor Department, which also has called for its amendment to give great protection to

domestic workers. Opponents of the program have contended for years that the wages and working conditions of domestic farm workers are hurt

by the use of Mexican labor. However, supporters of the program argue that Americans will not do the "stoop" labor performed by the braceros.



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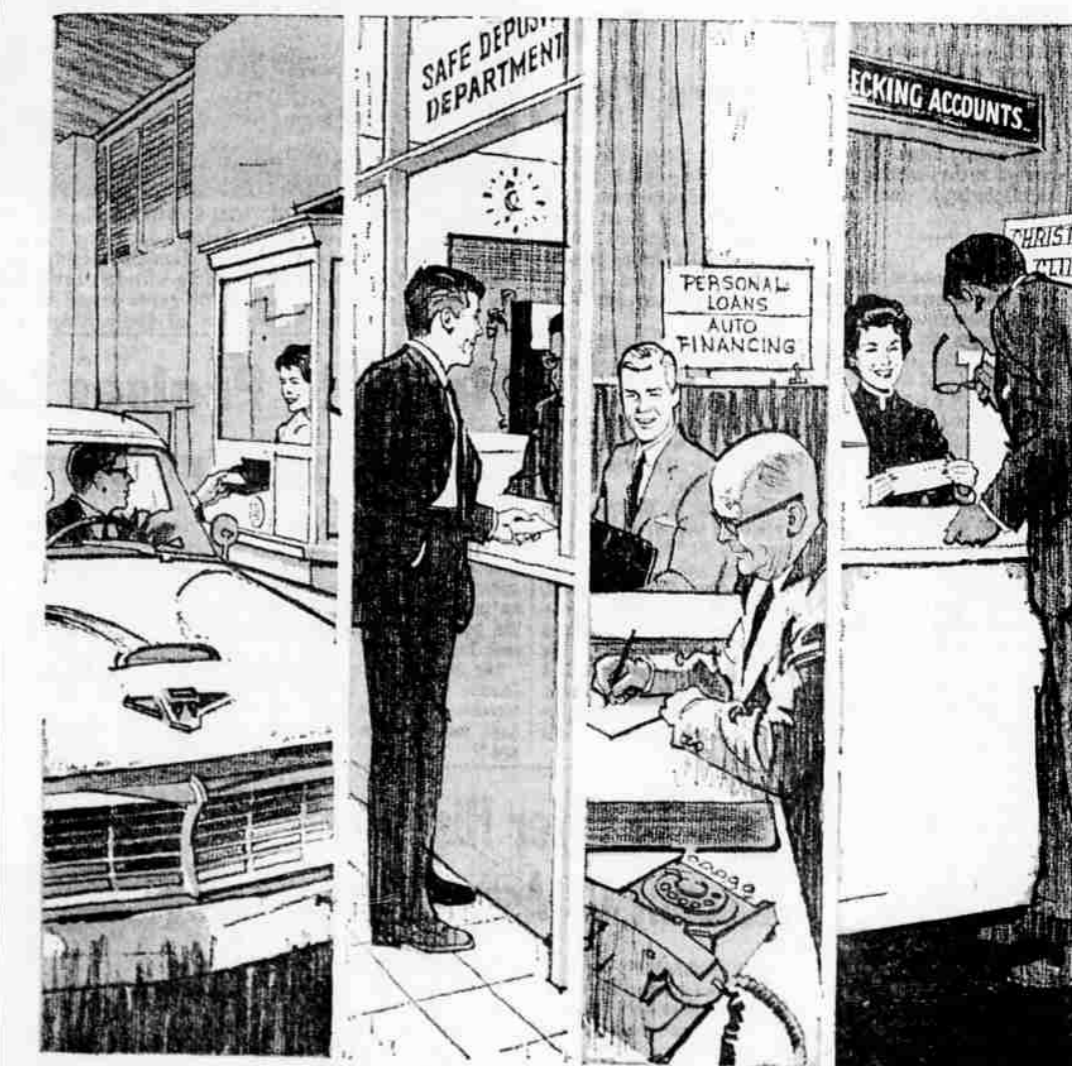
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