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## SHERIFF NEEDS MORE CASH

### Max Newhouse Killed In Collision With A Truck

A Coupeville man was killed Saturday evening when the automobile he was driving collided with a truck on the Torpedo Road, near Oak Harbor.

Max Newhouse, 25, died instantly in the collision, state patrolmen reported. Mrs. Newhouse, riding with her husband, received only minor injuries.

The driver of the other machine, Lester Hutchinson, 37, of Oak Harbor, was not injured.

Mr. Newhouse leaves his wife and four children.

#### OAK HARBOR



#### OBSERVE THANKSGIVING AT U.S.O.-N.C.C.S. CLUB

This Thanksgiving afternoon and evening, the Oak Harbor USO-NCCS Club is holding its annual open house.

In the evening, a buffet turkey supper will be served. Turkeys were donated by Vernon Paulson, Bob Farrell and Tom Moore.

Trimings are compliments of the table-games committee, and pies were made by the volunteer workers of the Club.

#### WHIDBEY MERC. OPEN TO PUBLIC

The Whidbey Merc Co. opened for custom the first of the week, beside the Acorn Texaco Station at Oak Harbor. Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Scruby are the proprietors.

Bill Schellhas of Seattle, a nephew of Dr. Scruby, has been helping them get into operation.

The Scrubys have built a residence on their property, back of the store.

Tom Moore, Director of the Oak Harbor USO-NCCS Club, has received bids for himself and a guest, to attend the commissioning ceremony of the USS Yorktown, to be held at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton, the afternoon of December 15th.

#### THE CASUAL OBSERVER

By L. N. HALLBERG

Highlights of the Shrine Parade at Oak Harbor:

Marsha's throwing balloons to the kiddies.

Red Thompson riding L. D. Fryday's mare, followed by its apaloosa colt, leading the Island County Sheriff's Posse.

The Posse were using their new flags for the first time, and all were wearing their new Posse stars.

The big drum major of the Shrine genially strutting his stuff.

The 1902 Holzman, chauffeured by Orlan Dean, rolling under its own power.

At the football game, the Seattle Ramblers won from the Oak Harbor All-Stars, 20-6.

#### HOUSING GYP: Poor Model

Home owners in over 40 cities are being gypped into expensive renovation jobs by the "model home" trick used by certain unscrupulous operators.

A survey made by the family economics bureau of Northwestern National Life Insurance company through the cooperation of Better Business Bureaus from coast to coast, finds slick salesmen using the "model" scheme to get home owners' signatures on contracts for imitation stone and imitation brick siding, asbestos siding and roofing, "mastic" paints, basement waterproofing, patio work, water softeners and dishwashers, as well as complete renovation jobs.

With this scheme the salesman or sales crew offers the home owner what is represented to be a special low price if he will agree to allow the completed job to be shown to other prospective customers, and on television, in newspaper advertisements, etc. Usually he is promised a commission on all sales which result from showing his "model" job; these commissions, he is often told, will pay the entire cost of his own job, or even show him a profit.

Actually the victim is merely "suckered" into signing a standard contract for the work, and in many cases is charged double what an honest contractor would bill him for the job. In most cases, no prospects are ever brought to see his "model" home; no commissions are paid to him.

Though fought by Better Business Bureaus, the Federal Housing Administration, and local authorities, the model home racket springs up like poison ivy in one locality after being halted or slowed down in another. It is active in the Greater New York area as well as upstate, in Binghamton, Rochester and Schenectady; it is moderately active in Baltimore, and has been a recurring "headache" in Detroit, according to the Better Business Bureau of that city. Also active in Atlanta, Minneapolis, and Denver, "the model home pitch is always with us," says the Louisville, Ky., Better Business Bureau in recent warning. The swindle has been especially virulent on the Pacific



Coast, from Portland, Ore., to Los Angeles, Cal.

Post office officials are trying to crack an extortion racket in which Chinese Communists seek to bilk the families of American service men held as prisoners of war in Korea.

The newest scheme in the "blood money" racket was disclosed when a post office department spokesman said letters are being sent to families of service men trying to get them to pay money in return for news about war prisoners.

The spokesman said that circulars and other publications are sent to the next of kin of prisoners offering to supply the families with news about the prisoners if they pay \$23 a year.

The treasury department said some time ago it thought it had beaten down similar extortion racket, in which attempts were made to get money from Chinese in this country who have friends or relatives in China.

In that racket the Communists threatened torture or death of persons in China unless money was sent to a specified person. The treasury department said that millions of dollars were sent.

The treasury clamped down by fixing stiff penalties for sending money into Red China.

#### Cub Scout Pack Meeting

The regular Cub Scout pack meeting was held at the Coupeville school lunchroom, Nov. 20th at 7:00 p.m. Dens attending were San de Fuca, no. 2, Greenbank, and Coupeville nos. 1 and 5.

A salute to the flag was first in order, followed by a tasty pot luck dinner.

Next on the program was the presentation of achievement awards: Mrs. William Bonnell gave awards to the following cubs of pack no. 1: Eric Vercoe, Bear badge, gold and silver arrow; Vincent Sherman, gold and silver arrow; Nelson Bonnell, Assistant Denner stripes; Vernon Coates, Denner stripes; Philip Fisher, Bobcat pin.

Mrs. Reafs presented awards to Pack no. 5. Bobcat pins were awarded to Roger Chase, Clinton Randle, David Wells, James Yake and Tommy Hurlburt. Noel Criscuolo received a gold arrow and a one year service star.

A play in pantomime was given by Den no. 1. The little Indians and Pilgrims carried out the Thanksgiving theme, as did the novel table decorations.

The next regular Cub Pack meeting will be held Dec. 18, 7:30 p.m., in the Coupeville school library. This meeting will be an inspection meeting—so be all shined up, boys!

Our thanks go to the Den Mothers who devote so much of their time for the boys. Ivan Kinch, the Cubmaster, and also the interested parents attending.



Bob Fryday found an injured sailor, lying in the road near the Rec Hall last Saturday night, and hurried him to the navy dispensary at Oak Harbor.

Add new phone number—Wm. G. Kottke—Coupeville 2423.

Two deer seen beside the road, near Good Beach, about one ayem Wednesday.

A 4-H Club meeting was held at the Coupeville school, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Henry Youderian and Mrs. Paul Fisher visited Mrs. Pfeiffer at the Rowley hospital in Mount Vernon, Saturday. She is very ill and would appreciate hearing from her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilleland from Seattle, and Mrs. Lena Bonnell, Bill's mother, were Thanksgiving guests of the William Bonnell's.

Bob Fisher and his friend, Miss Ruby Livingston of Kennewick, arrived in Coupeville Wednesday morning, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fisher, over Thanksgiving.

We are glad to hear that Mr. Ben Tufts is improving nicely.

Mrs. Coupe is getting along quite well on her crutches, due to a sprained ankle.

Pfc. Henry Youderian of Fort Lewis, Mrs. Youderian and their baby daughter were Coupeville visitors Saturday and Sunday.

#### SCHOOLS

The Coupeville high school Freshmen gave a return party for the Sophomores Nov. 20th at the high school.

The Coupeville High School Junior Prom will be held at the High School Friday evening, Nov. 28th.

The Board of County Commissioners has declared an emergency exists, in that insufficient money was appropriated for the Maintenance & Operation portion of the budget for the Sheriff's office and that portion will not be sufficient for the balance of the fiscal year. The budget was originally based on past years, and patterned after that of Jefferson County. It became evident the ever increasing population of Island County, and the greater expanse to be policed by the local Sheriff's office justified reconsideration. It is estimated another \$600 is needed.

The Commissioners have set a public hearing on the matter for Monday, December 1st, 1:45 p.m., at their rooms in the court house.



Mrs. Wayne Libbey, Mrs. Art Hammond, Mrs. Wm. Kottke and children were entertained at luncheon Saturday by Mrs. Orlan Dean, following which all attended the Shrine parade in Oak Harbor.

#### EAGLE AUXILIARY MET ON TUESDAY

The regular meeting of Oak Harbor Aerie 3040 Auxiliary was held Tuesday evening, Nov. 25th at the I.O.O.F. hall in Oak Harbor.

An officer's meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Henry Verigan in San de Fuca, Tuesday evening Dec. 2.

#### SEATTLE WOMAN TALKS TO PRE-SCHOOL GROUP

The Pre-school Group met at the Coupeville high school the evening of Nov. 25th.

The 22 members in attendance enjoyed a talk given by Elba Crum of Seattle, consultant for family life education. The program is in connection with the Seattle public schools.

The theme of her speech was what we, as parents, would want for our children along the lines of emotional development.

A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses for the evening, Mrs. Paul Bishop, Mrs. Gable and Mrs. Parkhurst.

The next meeting for the Pre-school Group will be January 27th, 8:00 p.m., at the Coupeville high school. There will be no meeting in December.

#### FBI SCHOOL CLASSES PICTURED IN MAGAZINE

November issue of "Sheriff and Police Reporter," published in Seattle, carried group photos, including Deputy Bill Kottke and Jim Henry, of those who recently attended the FBI Schools at Fort Lewis. There is also a photo of Sheriff Tom Clark, and a write-up of his recognition over radio station KRKO at Everett.

#### ON THE ROUTE

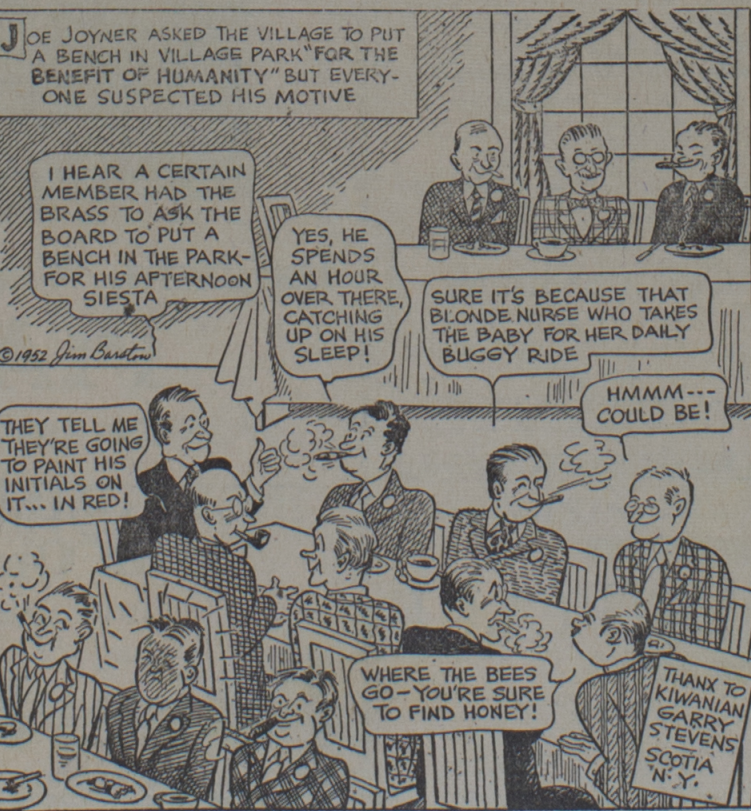
Eighteen attended the Guernsey Cattle Club meeting at the Roy Hoffman home, Monday evening.

Hermen DeVries of Seattle and the George DeVries family enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at the Roy Hoffman home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dinehart entertained the Nels Hallberg clan at Thanksgiving dinner. Mr. and Mrs. George Cronn were present from Seattle.

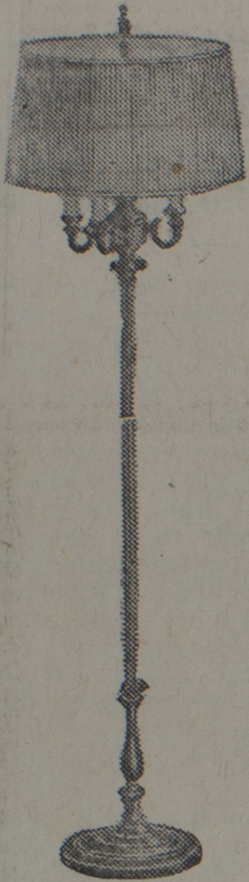
#### WEEKLY EATING CLUB

By Jim Barstow



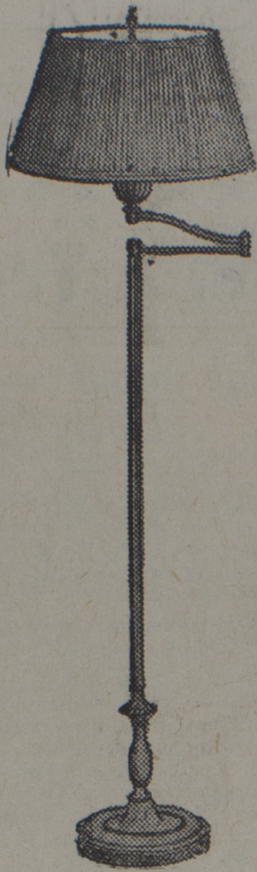


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### MANY PROBLEMS:

Await Eisenhower

In addition to his Korean trip, President-Elect Eisenhower has a lot of other world problems waiting for him. In the past few years, which party occupies the White House has become more and more important to the rest of the world. Consequently, every fourth autumn nations abroad defer action on all their major problems until they know the political complexion of the White House.

This seems to be true of our enemies as well as our friends. There are those who believe that the Kremlin will be ready to talk turkey with Washington as soon as it knows whom it has to deal with. There is also the possibility of the German and Austrian treaty questions being reopened.

Another problem is the proposed NATO army and whether or not Germany will contribute part of it.

France has two problems that must have Mr. Eisenhower's personal attention. Premier Pinay's government is unhappy over America's U. N. vote on Tunisia and the explanation which followed. France also thinks we fail to recognize the extent of her military suffering in Indo-China. Britain, too, is upset about being left out of the Pacific defense council of the United States, Australia and New Zealand.

Very likely France-American relations will undergo a thorough examination soon after January 20. Early next year, if he is still in office, Pinay would like to come to Washington and talk over his country's military and monetary problems with the new president.

At about the same time Great Britain may suggest the creation of some sort of tripartite committee to coordinate allied strategy in both the east and west.



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Besides his wife, Murray leaves a son, Joe Murray, of New York City.

This and many other grave decisions face the new president even before he takes office in January.

over tubs and steaming kettles, the Tintex Home Economics Bureau of New York City points out. It was messy, fraught with uncertainty and limited in color selection. Today, the washer is used to dye bulky things like curtains, drapes, sheets, bedspreads and shag rugs. And low-cost all-fabric dyes come in 50 true colors. Directions for dyeing in the washer are simple. A leaflet of instructions is obtainable gratis from the Tintex bureau.

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