



## Celebrates Anniversaries

PULLMAN, Wash., (AP)—It was just another day for Harry Day, though he and Mrs. Day were observing their 62nd wedding anniversary.

At an age when most persons are ready to relax for verbal "chinning," Day went out to his garage yesterday for his daily exercises on his bar.

He will be 85 tomorrow.

## NEW MEAT MARKET OPENS AT U. S. MERCANTILE STORE

Mrs. June K. Williams opened her new meat market today in the U. S. Mercantile Store with Roy Williams as manager.

This new market has the distinction of probably being the first meat market to be shipped entirely by air. Refrigerated meat cases, scales, electric slicer, cash register, walk-in box( uniforms, and all other necessary equipment was flown from Seattle to Nome directly by air by Pan American Air ways. All varieties of fresh meat arrived last evening and it is stated by the owner, will continue to arrive twice a week and will not be frozen meat.

Anvil Lodge F. and A. M. has announced its annual George Washington Birthday Party to be held next Saturday in the Masonic Temple. Plans are being made to use the new addition to the lodge room recently completed and now being decorated.

The new part of the building will be used as a dining room and is also planned for dances.

## Royal Couple In Minor Accident

LONDON, (AP)—Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip escaped unscratched today when their limousine and a taxi bumped near Buckingham Palace.

Court sources said the king and queen were uneasy over the accident. They recalled King George's warning to Philip about his driving after his car crashed, without injury to himself, before the royal wedding last November.

Philip was driving today from Kensington Palace to the admiralty, where he has a desk job.

Like a common motorist, Philip told a traffic policeman the street was congested and I'm sorry it happened."

The cabbie apologized upon recognizing the royal couple. He said the few dents in his fender were nothing.

## TO OBSERVE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY NIGHT

Friday evening at the Federated Church the World Day of Prayer will be observed with the following churches taking part co-operatively: Nazarene, Lavinia Wallace Young Mission and the Federated Church. Those leading the services are Mrs. L. Hudgins, Mrs. Robert Baldwin, Mrs. T. E. McGrew, Mrs. R. Amundson, Mrs. M. Day, and Mrs. Luther Dunbar.

Everyone in the community is invited in this world wide program being sponsored locally by the Ladies Aid Society of the Federated Church and by the United Council of Church Women internationally.

## Reds Establish North Korea Govt. And Army

SEOUL, (AP) — The U. S. army reported yesterday two of its liaison officers were manhandled and placed under temporary arrest at Pyongyang in Soviet occupied north Korea.

They were trying to watch a parade of the newly disclosed north Korea's people's army.

They are Major Daniel G. Costello, Imogene, Iowa, and Major Richard C. Briggs, Berkeley, Cal.

A spokesman for U. S. occupation headquarters said the incident occurred Sunday. The same day a radio broadcast from Pyongyang announced establishment, with Russian approval, of a north Korean government with an army.

The spokesman said the Americans were taken in custody of the Korean constabulary while Russian officers looked on. The two were released unharmed — and without explanation—about 30 minutes later.

Costello said a civilian pointed a pistol at him. His camera was taken. He protested to Soviet authorities.

The incident was reported to both the army and state departments.

Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge, U. S. occupation commander, commented only that Soviet liaison officers in Seoul "have complete freedom of movement," and can take pictures, including those of military parade."

(Monday's U.S. army announcement indicated that establishment of the government in the Russian zone was a new development. It further said a constitution was not to be ratified by the peoples council there until mid-March. This would be in violation of international agreements on Korea.

(In New York Monday, chairman K. P. S. Menon of the United Nations Korean commission said he was "astonished" to hear of establishment of the puppet government and army in North Korea.)

The Pioneers of Alaska are really putting on a banquet tonight to celebrate their anniversary. George Gemalis, cook, had to take the turkeys to the Nome Grill to roast, as they were too big to get into any private ovens in town, it is reported.

A fine program including musical, specialty dance numbers and old time favorites has been announced by the committee with Charlie Jones acting as toastmaster for the occasion.

Over eighty guests have registered for the dinner.

## Alaska Statehood Gets First Hearing In Congress

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about this:

Statehood means Alaska's 90,000 people would have two Senators in Congress, the same as, say, New York state's 13,000,000 people.

Since the Senate has only 96 members now, two more would be important in any close vote.

Alaska would be entitled to one representative in the House. But since there are 435 House members, one more wouldn't make much difference.

About one-third of Alaska's voters are against statehood now. The reasons for this will be gone into later in this story.

The United States bought Alaska from Russia in 1867 for \$7,200,000. But this government didn't do much to bring law and order there until 1884.

Then it sent in a federal judge and some other officials. The Klondike gold rush of 1898 drummed up interest in the place. Settlers followed the miners.

In 1912 Congress made Alaska a Territory, which meant the President appointed a governor and the people could elect their own legislature, House and Senate.

And the Territory has a delegate to Congress. He can't vote, but he represents the people of Alaska.

Output of industry runs over \$70,000,000 a year. It's concentrated mainly in three businesses: furs, fishing, mostly salmon, and mining—gold, coal, platinum.

The people pay federal income taxes, but Alaska has no income taxes of its own, for persons or corporations, and no general property tax.

The Territory has one railroad, owned by the U. S. Government. It was opened in 1923.

Some of the arguments against statehood for Alaska—a number of Alaskans have protested to Congress—go like this:

The population is too small now for statehood. The majority of the 60,000 white people live in the towns and cities. Alaska, which gets a lot of money help from this government while it's a Territory, couldn't afford to run itself as a state. Alaska is too far from the United States to have the same interests and problems.

The House sub-committee listened to all those arguments against statehood and brushed

## FATHER AND SON BANQUET VERY SUCCESSFUL

The Boy Scouts, Troops No. 666 held their father and son banquet last evening in the scout headquarters under the sponsorship of the Rotary Club with about sixty in attendance.

John McNees, president of Rotary, was toastmaster and Carl Glavinovich, acted as chairman of the scout committee in the absence of John Hudert who is away on business.

Tenderfoot awards were made to Carl Smith, John Willot, Gordon Swanberg, George Beltz and Paul Amarok. Second Class Scout awards were presented to John Hudert, Ralph Bingham, Lawrence Okpealuk and Johnny Bell. Johnny Hudert, Ralph Bingham and Max Gray were appointed as patrol leaders and Lawrence Okpealuk as scribe.

The charter for the troop was presented by the Rotary Club to the Scout committee which is composed of John Hudert, Carl Glavinovich, Wilfred Boucher, Lt. Stanley Morgan, Bud Harper and Bert Bell.

After a wonderful chicken dinner the boys put on several short acts exemplifying the principles of scouting which was followed by a knot tying contest.

Father and son boxing matches culminated the evening's entertainment.

Frank Whaley, who has been flying for Wien Airlines left Monday for the States to visit with his mother, affectionately known to many Nomeites by the name of "Ma" Whaley, who has been in poor health in Virginia where she resides with her sister.

them aside. Some arguments for statehood go this way:

The small size of the population is no argument against statehood. Twelve states had smaller populations when they were admitted statehood. Alaska now is a strategic part of the United States.

As a Territory, Alaska is subject to the whims of Congress which can pass any law it wish about Alaska. As a state, Alaska would have to be treated by Congress as any other state.

The sub-committee says other Territories were able to raise money to pay their way when they became states so there's no reason why Alaska couldn't.

Besides, Alaska has tremendous resources which are waiting to be developed.

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