

Public Interest Projects Okayed By Toastmasters

Cooperation in two projects, sponsor of the public interest, was voted Tuesday at a meeting of the Roseburg Toastmasters club.

Speakers, drawn from the organization's membership, will record a panel discussion on the topic, "Register—Then Vote," during the Sept. 19 meeting. The recording will be broadcast later this month over station KRNR.

The second project, conducted in cooperation with the Oregon State Employment service, will provide speakers to appear before local organizations during National Employ the Physically Handicapped week in October. Speaking on "Hire the Handicapped," Toastmasters will talk to the Rotary, Kiwanis, Active and Lions service clubs and the Central Labor council.

During the scheduled portion of last Tuesday's meeting, speeches were given by Bob Harvie, Mike Dilley and Pat Turner. Unanimously voted into club membership was Mel Bettee, who recently moved here from Longview, Wash. James Duncan was a guest of the club.

Toastmaster for the evening was Lowell Hamm and Al Knudson was topicmaster.

Locals

Laurel Council to Meet — Laurel council of the Royal and Select Masters will have a meeting Friday night, Sept. 15, at the Masonic temple at 8 o'clock.

Youth Given Sentence, Fine For Petty Larceny

Richard Adial Dubell, 18, was given a ten-day jail sentence and fined \$25 following a plea of guilty to a petty larceny charge, according to Justice of Peace A. J. Geddes.

The youth pleaded guilty to taking money from the office of a Roseburg doctor. In addition to the fine and sentence, Dubell will be placed on parole until he repays the doctor for the money taken over a period of time, Geddes said.

Second Son Of Family Killed In Korea War

LOCK HAVEN Pa. — (AP) — Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Riggie, of nearby Hyner, Tuesday reported their second son had been killed in the Korean fighting.

The Riggies said they had been notified by the Defense department of the death of their son, Gene. On Aug. 22 they received word that another son, Karl, had been killed. The boys enlisted together in January, 1949.

14-Year-Old Tenmile Youth Dies Wednesday

Robert Eugene Walls, 14-year-old son of Mrs. Lewis Mercy of Tenmile, died Sept. 13, following a long period of illness.

He was born at Los Angeles Jan. 4, 1936, and came to Douglas county in 1944, and had made his home with his family at Winston and Olalla before moving to Tenmile recently.

Surviving are his step-father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Marcy, Tenmile, and three sisters and one brother, Darlene May Walls, Nancy Sue Walls, Wanda Eileen Walls, and Michael Monroe Marcy, all of Tenmile. He is also survived by his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burr of Olalla.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of Long and Orr mortuary Saturday, Sept. 16, at 10 a. m. The Rev. W. A. MacArthur of the First Methodist church will officiate. Concluding services and interment will follow in the Tenmile cemetery.

Albert E. Marlow Dies Following Brief Illness

Albert Edward Marlow, 69, resident of Myrtle Creek for the past two years and formerly of Pendleton, died at his home in Myrtle Creek, Sept. 13, following a short illness.

He was born at Independence, Mo., Feb. 14, 1881, and was married to Florence Edith Saunders at Kansas City, Mo., in 1906. He was a member of the Baptist church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Florence E. Marlow, and four children, Mrs. Ira (Mabel) Dumont, William Edward Marlow, James Arthur Marlow and Dannie Roscoe Marlow, all Myrtle Creek. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Julia Ann Marlow, Pendleton, and two sisters and two brothers, Mrs. W. J. Thurman, Pendleton; Mrs. Nora Pansier, Boardman, Ore.; Frank Marlow, Boardman, and Roy Marlow, Umatilla.

His body is to be taken to Pendleton for funeral services and interment. Funeral arrangements are in care of the Long and Orr mortuary.

The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station is experimenting with wood chips to add organic matter to the soil.

Action Against Engineer Posed By ICC Official

PITTSBURGH — (AP) — The Interstate Commerce commission today weighed the possibility of punitive action against a 68-year-old engineer who testified he ran his passenger express through a stop signal shortly before it struck a stalled troop train.

The Pennsylvania Railroad engineer, William E. Eller, told a joint inquiry yesterday that the crack "Spirit of St. Louis" passed a stop signal just before striking the troop train last Monday near Coshocton, O.

Eller also "guessed" his express train was running at about 50 miles per hour at the time of the crash in which 33 members of Pennsylvania's recently-federalized 28th division were killed.

More than 50 other soldiers on the troop train were hurt but no one on the passenger express was injured.

B. W. Johnson, a road foreman of engines, testified the recorded tape taken from Eller's smashed diesel indicated the train was running about 70 miles an hour shortly before the mishap and about 50 miles an hour "immediately before the crash."

ICC Commissioner W. J. Patterson declared:

"When we get the record a report will be written and made public. If it turns out any law was violated that is administered by the commission, then we will take punitive action."

As the hearing ended, the army made ready to take home its soldier dead. Bodies of the 33 victims, all from the Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) area, were placed aboard a special train which left West Lafayette, Ind., early today.

Mother, 13, Says She's Thrilled By Girl's Birth

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — (AP) — How does it feel to be a mother at 13? "I'm thrilled to death," said Mrs. Charles Ray Parker, who gave birth to a daughter Tuesday night a few hours after reaching her 13th birthday.

The father, employee of an electrical company, is 18. He met his wife when he performed with a hillbilly band at a school where she was a six grader, a classmate of his sister.

Poland Threatens Action Over Liner Battery Status

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Polish government says it may have to "take appropriate measures" against what it calls discrimination against the liner Batory by United States officials.

In a protest, Polish Ambassador Jozef Winiewicz said the ship's crew is not permitted ashore and that immigration officials have used "chicanery" in questioning crew members.

The ambassador asserted also that U. S. officials encouraged longshoremen who recently refused to unload the liner's cargo.

It was on the Batory that Communist Gerhart Eisler fled to Europe last year while free on bond following his conviction for a contempt of Congress.

Penland, Last GAR Chief, Dies

VANCOUVER, Wash. — (AP) — Theodore A. Penland, 101, last commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, died here Wednesday, the veterans hospital reported.

The Civil war veteran, full of chuckles and spry until very recent years, attended a Los Angeles convention of the affiliated orders of the GAR last week.

He entered the hospital Tuesday and died of a failing heart at 11 a. m. Wednesday.

He had been troubled with his heart for several months and was in the hospital for a time last spring.

Penland was elected commander of the GAR at the 1948 encampment at Grand Rapids, Mich. It was decided then that the handful of veterans would meet just once more — their 83rd meeting — and then call it quits. That last convention was held in Indianapolis where the first was held.

Officer Says N. Koreans Prevent Visits To POWs

TOKYO — (AP) — A U. S. army public information officer said Thursday North Korea won't let the International Red Cross visit prisoner-of-war camps to observe the treatment of prisoners.

The North Koreans have notified the United Nations they will abide by the 1949 Geneva convention calling for humane treatment of POWs.

Frederick Beri of Geneva, delegate of the Red Cross, has observed United Nations treatment of prisoners and pronounced it excellent.

Man's Body Identified

PENDLETON — (AP) — A man found burned to death in a shed was identified last night as Jay Forrest Bird, 36, of Joseph, Ore.

Police Chief Charles Lemons said a charred wallet found near the unrecognizable body had a fishing license with Bird's name. He reported Bird had been in the vicinity yesterday and twice in recent years had been arrested here for vagrancy.

Firemen were called to the fire at 1:20 a. m. yesterday. The body was discovered in the debris.

BILL PASSES SENATE

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A bill permitting the coast guard to freeze enlistments for one year, to call up reservists or retired personnel for 21 months of active duty, and to take in draftees, was passed by the Senate yesterday. It goes now to the House.

'Voice Of America' Boosts Programming

NEW YORK — (AP) — Spurred by prospects of new appropriations, the "Voice of America" has scheduled an expanded broadcasting program.

Officials said yesterday that by the end of the fiscal year next June, the state department radio will be beaming abroad 34 hours of programs daily, instead of the current 34 hours.

Several of the programs sent to different areas are on the air simultaneously.

It was reported that the "voice" would receive \$48,000,000 of the \$97,212,000 fund which the senate appropriations committee approved for the state department's truth campaign. The House voted \$19,344,150 less. The two chambers still must work out the final figures.

LIGHTNING KILLS WOMAN

WELLSBURG, W. Va. — (AP) — Mrs. Jeff Soles, 68, was killed yesterday when lightning struck a wire clothes line at her home.

Mrs. Soles was hurrying to take a wash off the line before an approaching storm broke. Witnesses said lightning struck a tree and traveled along the clothes line, knocking the woman to the ground. She is survived by her husband and five children.

Sales Of Perfumed Hair Oil Boom In Africa

LONDON — (AP) — Sales of perfumed British hair oil—for internal use are booming in Africa.

Releasing this, the United Africa company said in its monthly trade review: "The natives of the Gold Coast spread the hair dressing on bread and eat it with great relish. The reason for this is unknown."

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