

GENERAL TODD RELEASED BY RED PRISONERS



AGRICULTURAL SCENE comes under discussion as J. Roland Parker (left), Douglas County agricultural agent, talks with Dr. A. L. Strand, president of Oregon State College during annual Homemakers' Festival, at which Dr. Strand was the main speaker. He talked on home life in the Philippines. (Paul Jenkins picture)

Philippines Land Ownership Problem Dr. A. L. Strand's Topic In Festival Address

Dr. A. L. Strand, president of Oregon State College Friday cited the distribution of land as one of the world's great problems. He was the main speaker at the annual Douglas County Homemakers' Festival held at the Methodist Church in Roseburg. Some 300 persons attended.

17th County Park Site Chosen Near Canyonville

The 17th county park will be a 10-acre site with 850 feet of frontage on the South Umpqua River, one mile east of Canyonville, Park Supervisor Charles Collins announced.

The site is being donated by the South Umpqua Rod and Gun Club. Developments planned for the park in the near future include an access road to the site, Collins said.

Bond Issue For School Voted By Green District

Voters of Green School District Friday approved, 72 to 18, a \$70,000 bond issue for school construction and improvements.

The bonds are to provide funds for construction of a heating plant, construction of additions to existing buildings, including a four-classroom addition, and for repairs and improvements, according to Clyde Fullerton, chairman of the Green School Board.

Fire Station Contract Given Wm. Pemberton

William Pemberton was awarded a contract for construction of the Rural Fire District's fire station on Garden Valley Road, on a low bid of \$25,261.

Bids were opened by the district's board of directors at a meeting Friday night. The only other bid was for \$30,390, submitted by Todd Building Co.

Pemberton will begin work on the project Monday. The building is to be completed by July 1, when the Rural Fire District withdraws from administration by the city of Roseburg.

PUZZLE FOR QUITTER

TOLEDO, O. — Toledo police arrested Pvt. Doris Refitt, 23, blond and pretty, on a charge of deserting the Marine Corps.

"I didn't have any trouble quitting my job to join the Marines," she told police, "and I don't see why everybody is making such a fuss because I quit the Marines."

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Munsan, Korea: "The communists today accused the United Nations command of delaying a truce in Korea by refusing to negotiate further on prisoner exchange. North Korean General Nam Il asserted this morning: 'Your so-called screening of our captured personnel is absurd.'"

When you're dealing with crooks you have to expect either a crooked deal OR A FIGHT.

That's about the long and the short of the Korean truce business.

Just a reminder: If we send these tens upon tens

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy today, tonight and Sunday with occasional rain Sunday.

Highest temp. for any May	102
Lowest temp. for any May	30
Highest temp. last 24 hours	75
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	47
Precip. last 24 hours	0
Precip. from May 1	54
Precip. from Sept. 1	34.75
Excess	4.57

Sunset today, 8:24 p.m. DST
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:54 a.m. DST

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Conservation Of Gasoline Supplies Goes Into Effect

Govt. Order Applicable To 32 States

Action Results From Oil Strike, Now In 11th Day, To Meet Defense Needs

DENVER — A government order reserving supplies of motor gasoline to maintain essential transportation went into effect Saturday in 32 Eastern and Midwestern states and the District of Columbia.

The order, issued by the Petroleum Administration for Defense (PAD), concerns operators of bulk gasoline plants, terminals and large filling stations.

About one-half of all service stations in the area, stretching from the Atlantic Seaboard to Kansas and Oklahoma, will be involved, the PAD estimated.

That was the latest step resulting from the 11-day-old strike of refinery and pipeline workers in the oil industry.

Previously, steps had been taken to cut down on use of high-octane aviation gasoline in commercial, private and military fields.

Meanwhile, an extension of the nationwide strike to California was cancelled early Saturday by CIO oilworkers.

At San Francisco, Union International Representative James Thornberry said a strike at the Shell Chemical Corp. plant at Pittsburg was called off at the request of union headquarters in Denver.

The decision came as the refinery was closing down part of its operations.

The new PAD order, which went into effect at 12:01 a.m. (PST) Saturday, holds that supplies may not drop below "3,000 barrels of motor fuel or a quantity equal to five per cent of total storage capacity, whichever amount is smaller."

The 3,000-barrel inventory requirement for bulk plant and terminal operators is equivalent to 120,000 gallons, on the basis of 42 gallons to the barrel.

While supplies of automobile fuel are dwindling in some cities and voluntary rationing has been reported in a few areas, the nation is not expected to feel a major shortage of gasoline for at least a month.

Elks Lodge To Hold Mother's Day Program

An invitation to all Elks and their families and to the public at large to attend the Mother's Day program at the Elks Temple Day program is extended by Roseburg Lodge No. 328, B.P.O.E.

The program will be held at 2 p.m., daylight time, and will feature an address by Attorney Paul Geddes. The officers will present "Tribute to Mother," one of the few rituals of the order the public is permitted to see.

Vocal selections will be given by Donna and Nancy Fromdahl, Mrs. Homer Grow.

Following the program, the Lady Elks will serve tea in the lounge.

Arrangements are in charge of a committee headed by Roy Hebard.

KEFAUVER SCHEDULED IN ROSEBURG THURSDAY

Gov. Warren Due Monday, Adams Wednesday, With Accompanying Rally For Eisenhower

Arrangements for Governor Warren's visit here are being made by the Young Republicans, by Gordon Carlson in charge.

He will be introduced from the Courthouse steps by Mayor Albert G. Flegel. Warren will leave Roseburg by 11 a.m. to fly to Eugene for another speaking engagement.

Kefauver Due Thursday

Kefauver is slated to arrive at the Roseburg airport by plane at 5 p.m. Thursday and will be escorted into town by Roseburg police.

By 5:30 at the courthouse, Mrs. Micelli will introduce Roseburg's Mayor Flegel, who in turn will introduce the Tennessee senator. Announcement that Kefauver will campaign in Oregon for the Democratic nomination bid at the May 16 primary election was made by William Josselin, state director of the Kefauver-for-President Committee.

Portland Bread Prices Soaring

PORTLAND — Bread, short in Portland grocery stores because of a bakers' strike, has been selling for 25-30 cents a loaf, the Office of Price Stabilization reported Friday.

The ceiling price is 24 cents for the 1½ pound loaf, Carl C. Donagh, Oregon district OPS director, said.

Some grocers have been importing the bread and adding freight charges to the price. This is a violation of OPS regulations, Donagh said.

Bakers have been on strike since last week in Spokane, Tacoma, Seattle and Portland.

West Military Patrols Facing Russian Barrier

BERLIN — Russian sentries barred regular western military patrols from the Berlin-Helmstedt Autobahn Saturday and the three western commandants of the city said they have called the Russian commander's attention to the matter.

Patrol vehicles were stopped at nearby Babelsberg as they started their routine daily patrols along the 110 miles between Berlin and the Helmstedt, the exit point from the Russian occupation zone to the British. Stiff-faced Russian guards gave no reason for their action.

Regular truck and private vehicle traffic continued rolling as usual, with only the normal stack-up of trucks at each entry where fuzzy Soviet guards check papers and cargoes. Berlin is a four-power island deep inside the Russian occupation zone.

A brief statement released by the Western allies disclosed they have had trouble about the patrol cars since Thursday night.

They said the action is believed due to a misunderstanding, since passage has not been refused at Soviet checkpoints to east-bound patrols.

Western officials clearly wanted to stop patrol cars from being used to transport Russian troops and equipment.

Western officials said they planned to do nothing more about the incident at present.

IWA Unit Wins Health Financing Agreement

PORTLAND — Some 1200 CIO Woodworkers early Saturday were granted an employer-financed health and welfare program by the Simpson Logging Co., of Shelton, Wash.

The company's agreement to pay the cost of the program—7½ cents per hour worked—will send Simpson loggers back to mills and woods in Washington State and Northern California.

Simpson also granted a 7½ cent hourly wage increase, three additional paid holidays, a 2 cent increase in night differentials and an improved vacation program.

LEAPS TO DEATH

PORTLAND — W. H. Richardson, a retired farmer from South Bend, Wash., jumped from the St. John's Bridge to his death in the Willamette River here Friday.

The widow told police Richardson was in poor health.

Eisenhower Given Oregon Nod In Survey

Primary Win Indicated In Opinions; Democrats Lean Toward Kefauver

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.

SALEM, Ore. — Gen. Dwight Eisenhower and Sen. Estes Kefauver will win Oregon's May 16 presidential primary by clear majorities, in the collective opinion of Oregon newsmen.

An Associated Press survey indicated that if the election were held this week, Gen. Eisenhower would win the preference of Oregon voters as the Republican candidate for President.

But whether he wins all of the state's 18 convention delegates depends on how many of the eight supporters of Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio—who aren't bound by the presidential preference vote—are elected as delegates.

Sen. Kefauver is an odds-on choice to win the Democratic primary. His two opponents — Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois and Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas — are unwilling candidates. This apparently assures Kefauver of 12 convention votes, because all Democratic candidates for convention delegates are pledged to support the winner of the presidential primary.

The AP survey, which covered all of the state's 36 counties, added up to an indicated vote of 31 per cent for Eisenhower, Gov. Earl Warren of California, who is on the ballot, and Sen. Taft, who is not, are expected to battle it out for second place in the Republican primary.

Taft Men Avoid Pledge

Sen. Taft did not enter the Oregon primary personally but his state organization has asked that his name be written in.

Eight Taft adherents filed for delegate to the Republican national convention by petition, and so did not have to sign a pledge to support the primary winner.

Taft supporters are concentrating upon electing these eight candidates. Several of them might be successful. Gov. Douglas McKay, whose administration is solidly behind Eisenhower, charges these eight candidates with trickery.

The estimates used in the survey were made by newsmen on daily and weekly newspapers and radio stations; also by regular correspondents of the Associated Press in counties where no newspaper or radio station estimate was available. Many of them were based on local polls. To arrive at an estimate for the state, the figures for each county were weighed in accordance with primary registration figures.

DRAIN GOES DAYLIGHT

Drain tonight at midnight joins several other Douglas county cities having gone on daylight saving time. Roseburg, Myrtle Creek and Riddle have adopted the earlier hour of rising. The drain post office switches to daylight time Monday morning, May 12.

OREGON PILOT, PASSENGER UNHURT IN PLANE CRASH

VANCOUVER, Wash. — A light plane crashed-landed at Pearson Field here Friday but the pilot, James O. Watts, 28, Springfield, Ore., and an unidentified passenger escaped injury.

The underside of the plane and propeller were damaged when the landing gear failed as Watts tried to set the plane down.

POLICEMEN DATE BALL

The annual policemen's ball has been announced by the Roseburg Police Department for May 30, at Kennedy's Dutch Mill. Dancing will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. to the music of Jack Foster and his orchestra.

Washington Charge Causes Arrest Here

Robert A. Smith, 24, 641½ Short St., was arrested here by Roseburg police on a Colfax, Wash., grand larceny warrant. Police Chief Ted Mazac reported.

Smith is wanted on a Whitman County, Wash., charge involving the alleged theft of a \$450 diamond ring set from the wife of a former employer, and also fraudulently borrowing \$560 from a friend of his former employer, Mazac said.

Officers arrested him Friday afternoon about 4 p.m.

The Colfax sheriff's office sent word that deputies would arrive in Roseburg Monday to return Smith to face the charges. He is being held in the Douglas County jail. Amount of bail was not learned.



HIS WIFE MISSING, James Helton, 51, (third from left) is pictured with officers after questioning in connection with the disappearance. Others are Richard Percoco, bondsman and deputy; Raymond Woodhard, chief deputy; Summitt County, Ohio, and Richard Percoco, bondsman and deputy. (Staff Picture)

Missing Wife Enters Probe Of Jas. Helton, Taken Here To Serve Ohio Prison Term

Questioning of James Helton, 51-year-old Ohio fugitive, turned to the disappearance of his wife—missing from Oklahoma City, Okla., since May 2, sheriff's deputies said.

Helton was released this morning to two Akron officers to be returned by plane to serve a penitentiary term in Ohio. The officers are Raymond Woodhard, chief deputy of Summitt County, Ohio, and Richard Percoco, bondsman and deputy.

Vet Payment Boost Bill Goes To Truman

WASHINGTON — The Senate passed and sent to President Truman Friday two bills increasing veterans' benefit payments by about 200 million dollars a year.

They are designed to meet cost-of-living increases since compensation rates were last fixed.

One of the bills would make a 15 per cent boost in service-connected compensation for veterans of all wars who are more than 50 per cent disabled and a five per cent hike for those less than 50 per cent.

It also would increase pensions for non-service-connected disability to veterans of World Wars I and II and the Korean war by \$3 a month.

Similar pensions going to veterans of the Civil War, Indian Wars and Spanish-American War would be boosted seven and one-half per cent.

Some increases also were included for widows of veterans.

Oregon Pilot, Passenger Unhurt In Plane Crash

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Conference Fixes Terms, Not Revealed

General Well Treated During 3-Day Captivity; Force Threat Effective

SEOUL, Korea (AP) — The U. S. Eighth Army announced Saturday that Brig. Gen. Francis T. Dodd has been released — in good health and good spirits — by Communist prisoners of war on Kojima Island.

Dodd, then commander of prison camps on the island, was seized by Red prisoners Wednesday as he conferred with them at the gate of compound 76.

An Eighth Army statement said the general's release came after a meeting of Communist ringleaders of the compound. It was attended by prisoner leaders from other compounds on the island.

The confab of Communist POW leaders came after Gen. James A. Van Fleet, U.S. Eighth Army commander, made it clear he was preparing to use force if the general were not released unharmed.

Terms Not Disclosed

The terms worked out at the conference of Reds were not immediately disclosed.

Gen. Dodd evidently had been lured there by Communist leaders for a conference.

Suddenly the Red POWs grabbed Dodd and hustled him inside the compound.

For three days, the Reds held Dodd prisoner, meanwhile negotiating with him for settlement of the prisoner's grievances.

Captives Well Treated

American meals were passed in to the 52-year-old general and he was allowed free use of the telephone inside the compound. Over this telephone he asked camp authorities to refrain from using force to get him out until the Red leaders had completed a list of their demands.

Saturday morning the Army said they had granted some of the Red demands—"minor requests" which included use of a telephone, writing paper and the admittance of prisoner leaders from other compounds on the island.

Approximately 80,000 Reds are held on the island, most of them are among the 70,000 prisoners who have said they will return to Communism.

Koje has been the scene of two bloody earlier prisoner riots.

All Programs On Fast Time, Decision Of KRNR

Radio Station KRNR goes on daylight saving time for all broadcasts starting Sunday, announced Manager Leroy Hiatt.

The station has been operating on daylight time for local broadcasts, with the network coming on standard time this past week. It was impossible for the networks to set up time to accommodate the stations on fast time.

A change has been made by the network in programming so that all delayed time broadcasts have been pulled out. It will be up to stations on standard time to do their own taping for delayed broadcasts under the change.

Tiller Road Employee Dies Of Heart Attack

Davis LaVerne Gilbert, 47, Tiller, employed by the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce, as an engineer's aide, died suddenly Friday of a heart attack.

Deputy Coroner Robert A. Ganz, who investigated, said Gilbert was walking back to camp, about 3 p.m. Friday, 12½ miles above Tiller, with Gerald M. Nicodemus, James W. Chenoweth and Willard A. Babbe.

Babbe was about 50 feet in the lead and had gone over a rise. Gilbert was followed by the other two men three or four minutes behind, and when they came upon Gilbert, he was lying face down, dead.

Gilbert had been employed on the job about three weeks. He came to Tiller from Portland.

The body has been moved to Ganz Mortuary and services will be announced later.

Salem Jail Fugitive Captured In Idaho

LEWISTON, Idaho (AP) — A prisoner who escaped from the county jail at Salem, Ore., five days ago was captured in a hotel room here Friday night.

Police were followed by the other two men three or four minutes behind, and when they came upon Gilbert, he was lying face down, dead.

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Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Roseburg's current outstanding dates seem to be CANDI dates.