

STEEL SEIZURE POWER ASKED BY TRUMAN

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31 Red Prisoners Die In Island Fight 139 Wounded In Resisting 'Move' Order

Camp On Kojie Reduced To Shambles; One Yank Killed During Mutiny

KOJIE ISLAND, Korea (AP)—Tough U. S. paratroopers Tuesday cracked Communist prisoner of war rebellion in a rip-roaring 2 1/2 hour battle that made a shambles of notorious Compound 76 and uncovered a prisoner plot to seize the island.

Thirty-one prisoners were killed and 139 wounded in the bloody fighting. Autopsies showed that 12 prisoners were killed by their fellow Reds with crude spears.

One American was killed and 14 were wounded. The slain American had been speared to death and not killed by a concussion grenade as first reported. Only one American was seriously wounded. Seven returned to duty and the others will go back in a few days.

The fight broke out when the POW's disobeyed orders to move peacefully into new, smaller enclosures of about 500 each.

U. S. Army intelligence officers found a master plan in 76 to liberate all 80,000 Communist prisoners held on Kojie. It called for the Reds to seize the island and its U. N. garrison and turn its weapons against any force from the mainland. Further details were withheld.

No Bullets Fired
Not a shot was fired in the barbed wire encircled battlefield.

The 750 Americans of the "Angel from Hell" combat team used concussion grenades, bayonets, tear gas and fists to subdue the rebellious 6,400 North Koreans. The Reds were armed with spears, knives, rocks and firebombs.

Surrendering prisoners were hustled off to the new enclosures. Three hundred hate-spitting Reds were in the roaring battle. They lunged with their home-made spears from the south side of the compound.

A half dozen Patton tanks roared into the compound and trained their guns on the die-hard group but held their fire.

The fighting over, prisoners were trucked off to the new enclosures, stripped, fingerprinted and given new clothing.

County Allotted Federal Money For Road Aid
Douglas County will receive \$38,802 in federal aid to federal approved roads in the county during the 1953-54 fiscal year, the County Court announced.

The county will contribute \$35,841 to the road program on a 60-40 percentage basis, making a total of \$94,643 for use on the roads.

Half of the money goes to the counties — part on an equal basis, the other portion on a formula recommended by the Association of Oregon Counties. The basis of the formula is 20 percent on road mileage in the county and 80 percent on the basis of rural population.

Tugs, Pumps Used Trying To Free Grounded Ship
BANDON, Ore. (AP)—Two tugs had taut lines on the grounded lumber schooner Cynthia Olson Tuesday but it appeared hope of freeing her from the Quill River sand rested with powerful pumps.

There was nine feet of water in her engine room from a hole in her hull. It was punctured while she was battered in rough seas from late Saturday to near midnight Sunday on a rocky bar outside the harbor.

Umpqua Logger's Leg Broken By Falling Limb
Clarence Judd, 34, of Umpqua, was admitted to Community Hospital Monday for treatment of a broken leg suffered when a limb fell on him while he was working for the L. F. Judd Bros. Logging Co. at Umpqua.

Oregon's Treasury Outlook Brighter Than '51 Forecast; Deficit Prospect Vanishes
SALEM (AP)—The Legislative Interim Tax Committee was told here Monday that the state's treasury will be 12 million dollars better off at the end of the biennium than the 1951 Legislature had expected.

T. A. Lindstrom, analyst for the State Tax Commission, reported that income tax collections are far greater than expected, and that the 2 1/2 million dollar deficit predicted by the 1951 Legislature would not occur.

The committee made a number of recommendations including one to lump all state revenues into one fund. All expenses would be paid out of this fund and the complicated system of having a number of funds would be abolished.

Sen. Dean H. Walker, Independence, proposed that several tax

Meeting With Members Of The Roseburg Citizens Committee And District 4 Parent-Teacher Association At The Junior High School, The Former Myrtle Creek Superintendent Obviously Based His Hopes On The Coordinated Efforts Of Their Groups.

The June 23 date will determine whether the voters will allow the \$494,303.79 by which the \$1.5 million dollar budget exceeds the six-per cent limitation.

Deller stated the vote must be "big" in order to help insure the approval of the amount. Addressing the 20 members of the two groups represented, the administrator said, "You are the captains. It is up to you to support and explain the budget items."

Mrs. Kenneth Bushey was appointed to coordinate the effort to get the voters out. Under her supervision, the Citizens Committee was delegated to handle the publicity chores through the newspaper and radio and to furnish transportation to the polls on voting day.

Personal Effort Urged
However, Deller emphasized that publicity was not enough. "We must get the people out to vote," he stressed. Thus, the direct-message approach was delegated the District PTA organizations. They will inform voters in their sections of the district by mail and conduct a telephone campaign on the day of election to get the voters to the polls.

Preceding the organizational phase of the meeting, Deller unveiled an itemized pamphlet comparing this year's budget with the 1951-52 edition. It explains the increase in cost of operating the District for each item.

In more detailed oral explanations later, Deller and Maintenance Superintendent Grady McKinnis pointed out the excess over the six per cent limitation this year is \$45,000 more than the excess last year. Last year the excess was about \$449,000.

The pamphlet explains that the major reasons for more funds are: (1) increased enrollment of between 400 and 500 students; (2) increased teacher personnel of between 15 and 20; (3) increased prices for supplies of between 3 and 12 per cent; (4) increased personnel salaries reflecting the higher cost of living.

British Obtain Red Concessions In Radio Siege
BERLIN (AP)—British troops removed their barbed wire barricades from Russia's Radio Berlin headquarters early Tuesday, ending a dramatic seven-day siege which won several concessions from the Soviets.

The British said they lifted the blockade on the station inside their zone because it had served its purpose. Under its pressure, the Russians loosened their squeeze on West Berlin to the extent of yielding several border areas they had seized.

West Berliners were disappointed. The Communists made it clear they would claim a victory for themselves and not for the British. The Communists still held West Berlin in a potential strangle grip that could be turned any time into a new blockade. Zonal borders between East and West Germany, and even street boundaries between East and West Berlin, have been turned into fortified frontiers like those between warring nations.

The Reds have cut all but four of Berlin's highway lines to the West. Allied military patrols still were barred from the single Allied road passageway through the Russian zone.

Roseburg Senior High Band Parades Tonight
Tonight at 8 o'clock, the Portland-bound Roseburg Senior High School Band will parade through downtown Roseburg. The event is in preparation for the band's participation on Friday, June 13, in the grand floral parade of the Portland Rose Festival.

The 64-piece band will form at Pine and Oak Sts. at 8 p.m., move east on Oak to Rose, north on Rose to Douglas, east on Douglas to Jackson, north on Jackson to E. Second Ave., return south on Jackson to Cass, west on Cass to Rose, south on Rose to Mosher, east on Mosher to Jackson, north on Jackson to Oak, west on Oak to Senior High School.

Two other indicted collectors remain against Smyth. One, returned in December, was called "vague" by Federal Judge Alger Fee. A new indictment, to replace that one, was the basis for the trial at which Smyth was acquitted. However, the "vague" indictment has not formally been dismissed.

Another indictment was returned just before the 10-day trial started. Judge Fee refused to consider it but it still must be disposed of. This indictment, termed "corrective" by federal attorneys, accused Smyth and his ousted chief deputy, Paul V. Doyle, of conspiring to backdate Smyth's return. Smyth was dismissed by President Truman last fall on charges of "failing to manage his office properly" after a federal grand jury was called to investigate reputed scandals in his department. He then was charged with backdating for himself and his wife in an effort to evade \$402 in penalties and interest.

Need Of Fund For Hospital Emphasized
Wing Construction Plan Will Be Launched When \$100,000 Goal Attained

"Construction plans for the Community Hospital's \$100,000 wing will swing into gear as soon as the expansion fund committee reaches its goal." This was the promise James W. McAlvin, administrator of the Douglas Community Hospital made before 22 civic and business leaders who attended the kickoff dinner meeting Monday evening at the hospital.

Other speakers included Mayor Al Flegel, Dr. J. M. Boyles, president of the medical staff; Kenneth W. Ford, president of the board; Rodger Lyons, campaign director; and J. F. "Si" Dillard, general chairman of the hospital's expansion fund. The Rev. Raymond W. Schaefer gave the invocation.

Explaining that architects are already at work on the project, McAlvin says that bids can be let so that "actual construction may begin late this summer or early fall."

Speakers stressed the moral and social assets of the institution, its financial value to the community, and indirect monetary value to individual donors.

Dillard says that "the \$100,000 spent by the community for its hospital would be put back into the community every year. McAlvin notes that 87 per cent of the \$287,000 operation cost is now spent within the city limits, or more than \$5,000 per bed per year. (Since a 21 bed addition is planned, that would represent at least a \$105,000 a year return to the city, he said.

Donations Tax Exempt
Value of donations divided so as to take advantage of two years of tax exemptions is pointed out by Ford, as is the indirect financial value of keeping money at home. The government's tax policy encourages donations of this type, it is stressed.

"It is only right that private business play back a great proportion of their earnings into this project," Lyons concluded. "It will pay back to Roseburg 100 cents on the dollar. You can't beat that for investment."

Dr. Boyles notes service rendered since the Feb. 14, 1951, hospital opening.

"The hospital has handled 4100 patients, about nine a day, 744 mothers and 3398 outpatients," he said.

"Because several new doctors are planning to come to Roseburg soon, it is even more imperative that additional facilities be available, he declares. McAlvin says that the nurses' aid program to start at the hospital soon — would be another service to the community.

Strategy of Lyons' committee is for a quick drive, concentrating first on the larger businesses. Repeat meetings will be held June 12, 15 and 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the hospital.

Small Boy Falls From Tree, Fractures Skull
William Robert Miller, six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Miller, 1424 N. Balf St., was recovering at Community Hospital today from a skull fracture suffered when he fell out of a tree Saturday and hit his head on some cement tile.

J. G. Smyth, Dismissed Tax Collector, Freed Of Fraud In Returns On Own Income
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—James G. Smyth, third of the scandal-riddled Internal Revenue Bureau's ousted collectors to be tried, was acquitted of backdating his own 1945 income tax returns to defraud the government.

Two other ousted collectors, Dennis W. Delaney of Boston and James P. Finnegan of St. Louis, were convicted earlier this year. A federal court jury of eight women and four men Monday night freed Smyth after deliberating seven hours. They acquitted him of three charges after he and others testified his returns were duplicates, filed to replace lost originals.

However, two other indictments remain against Smyth. One, returned in December, was called "vague" by Federal Judge Alger Fee. A new indictment, to replace that one, was the basis for the trial at which Smyth was acquitted. However, the "vague" indictment has not formally been dismissed.

Plea Taken By President To Congress
T-H Law 'Ineffective, Worst Of 2 Approaches,' Executive Declares

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman asked Congress Tuesday for power to seize and operate the struck steel industry.

Before a hastily assembled joint session of the Senate and House, Truman said the choice lay between federal seizure and use of the Taft-Hartley Act.

A Taft-Hartley injunction against the strike of 650,000 United Steel workers, he said, "is by far the worst of the two approaches."

Standing on the speaker's dais in the House chamber, Truman told the senators and representatives that the Supreme Court had ruled against presidential seizure of the steel mills, but had said Congress could vote to take private property. He said:

"The issue is squarely up to Congress."

Truman said a seizure law should:

1. Permit the government to change the wages and working conditions of the steel workers. The government had been prepared to raise steel wages under the presidential seizure but was blocked by a court injunction.

2. Provide for a method of determining just compensation for the mill owners. Truman recommended special boards within the framework of the economic stabilization program. A factor in the strike was the failure of the steel industry to get government assurances of price increases the industry deemed necessary to pay higher wages.

"In this way," the President said of the two-side approach, "the legislation can assure continued steel production and fair treatment for both parties during government operation."

Truman condemned use of the Taft-Hartley Act's injunctive power. (Continued on Page 2)

3 Youths Fined, 4th Cited After Highway Chase
Two Canyonville youths were charged with reckless driving after a nine-mile high speed chase south of Roseburg, state police disclosed today.

Mervin Gene MacDonald, 19, was fined \$40 in Judge A. J. Geddes' district court Monday after pleading guilty to the charge. Another driver, Richard Andrew Worral, 18, was cited to Canyonville justice court.

Eddie Elvin Pickett, 18, and a 17-year-old youth, both of Canyonville, passengers in the MacDonald vehicle both were fined \$25 each after pleading guilty to disorderly conduct. Vernon Eugene Wheeler, 18, Canyonville, a passenger in the Worral vehicle, was cited to justice court on a disorderly conduct charge.

Police said they encountered the two cars racing down the highway Sunday night. One was overtaken after a nine-mile chase. The other car was located some two hours later.

James Calvin Carr, 26, 945 Eden Lane, was fined \$25 in district court Monday after pleading guilty to a reckless driving charge. Carr, arrested by state police, wasn't involved with the Canyonville youths.

Revived Active Club Elects Five Officers
Five officers of the newly activated Active Club of Roseburg were elected today at the Rose Hotel. Twenty-eight were present. Les Frisk was elected president. Other officers are Stan Baldwin, vice-president; Wayne Wagner, secretary; Jack Horn, treasurer, and Louis Adamski, treasurer.

Four board members are to be chosen at the next meeting, Tuesday, June 17, at 7 a.m. at the Umpqua Hotel. A charter meeting has been set for Saturday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Umpqua Hotel. Visitors are invited to attend.

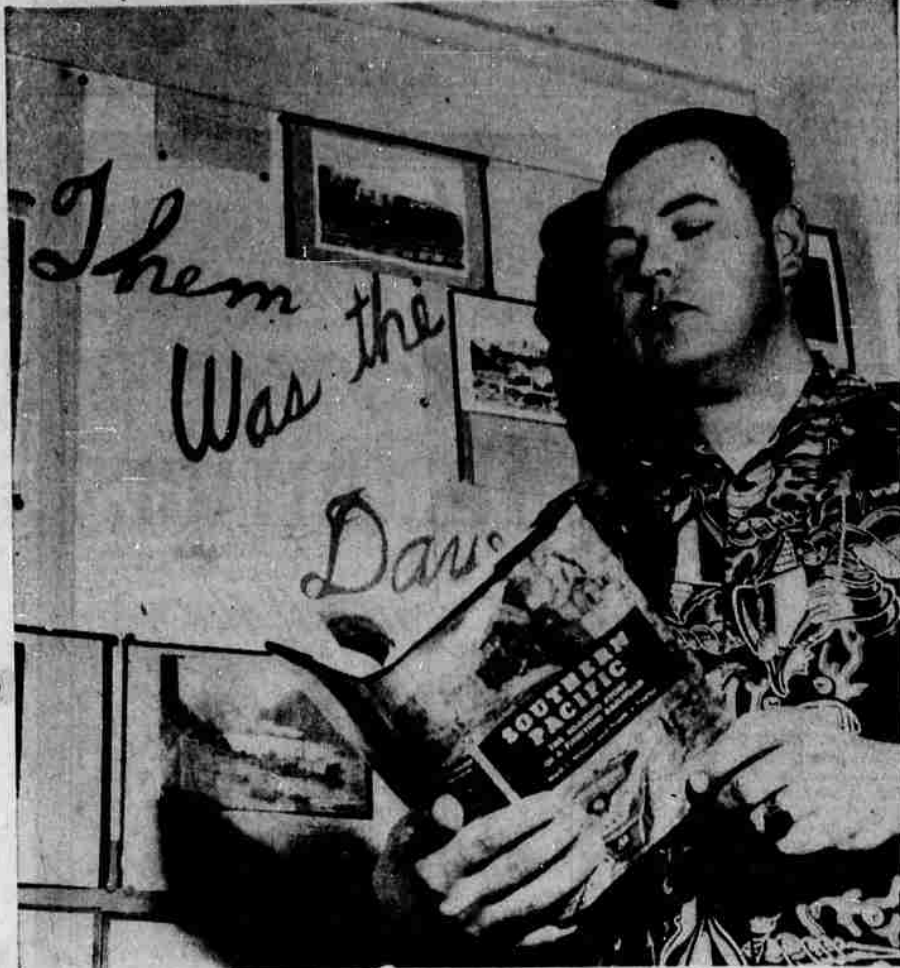
Burglary At Days Creek Charged To G. E. Dumont
A burglary charge is being filed today against 22-year-old Grover Eugene Dumont, of Days Creek, Deputy District Donald S. Kelley reports.

Deputy Sheriff W. T. Tankersley said Dumont had given him a confession admitting burglary of the Drew store and post office June 4. Stolen in the burglary were 10 books of stamps, \$15 in cash, and merchandise.

Dumont was lodged in the county jail and expected to be arraigned today in district court.

Levity Fact Rant
By L. F. Reizenstein

Polish up your horseshoe, shake the moths out of that rabbit's foot and shoo away the black cats. This week contains a Friday, 13th.



OLD OREGON ON DISPLAY—George B. Abdill, an employee of the Southern Pacific Railway at Roseburg, is shown with his exhibit of historic transportation pictures of Old Oregon, currently on display in the Roseburg public library. The display is in conjunction with publication of the book, "Southern Pacific."

Collector's Pictures Show N. W. Transportation Eras Stretching Back To 1860's

A collector with about 4000 pictures of Northwest transportation has samples of his historic collection on display this month at the Roseburg Public Library in connection with the new book, "Southern Pacific," by Neil C. Wilson and Frank J. Taylor, published this year by McGraw Hill Book Company.

The collector, George B. Abdill, of Roseburg, knows quite a bit about transportation himself, being for 12 years an employee of the Southern Pacific, and for several months operator of the helper engine out of Roseburg. He also served as railroad engineer under Gen. Dwight Eisenhower's command in France, Belgium and Germany between 1944 and 1946. Raised at Dayton, the son of a pioneer Oregon family, he has long had an interest in the history of the Northwest, especially its team logging and railroads.

Although some of his 20 picture-packed albums contain photos of modern trains, the bulk of his collection concerns railroads between 1860 and 1900. Because many are of historic value, Martin Schmitt, curator of special collections at the University of Oregon, has urged him to publish a book on the subject. He admits having some photos and data which he may some time use in a book.

Some of his photographs already have been used in the book, "Railroad Down The Valley," by Randall Mills, published late in 1951.

Copies of some rare and historical prints are in two Oregon collections, one at the state archives at Salem, the other at the state collection at the University of Oregon.

Steamboat Photo Desired
He has an album on wrecks of trains, having to admit that even the SP has had a few. The picture he has been looking for, however, and thinks that some Roseburg (Continued on Page 2)

In the Day's News
By FRANK JENKINS

I liked Ike's speech. I liked it, I suppose, because he put into words nearly all the things I've been thinking about what's wrong with our country. But chiefly, I'm sure, I liked it because of the strong feeling it inspired in me that HE MEANS EVERYTHING HE'S SAYING. That he isn't just saying it for effect.

If there is any one thing we need more than anything else, it is FAITH in our leadership. After that comes faith in ourselves and FIGHTING faith in the rightness of our motives and our ideals.

I haven't had that kind of faith for a long, long time. I restored it to me. I came out of our radio room after listening to him with the feeling that grave as our problems are we'll meet them and solve them and come out of it all right.

That's the effect his speech had on me. I hope and am inclined to believe it had the same effect on a lot of people. If it is NOTHING we can't do.

Another thought was in my mind as I listened to him. It ran something like this:

Ike WROTE THAT SPEECH HIMSELF.

I'm tired and sick of ghost-writing (Continued on page Four)

MacArthur Chosen Keynoter For July G.O.P. Convention

CHICAGO (AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur Tuesday was named keynoter for the Republican national convention opening here July 7.

The choice of MacArthur was made on a voice vote in a closed meeting of the convention's 46-member arrangements committee.

William Mylander, Republican publicity director, told reporters he understood MacArthur had agreed to accept.

The committee decided to split the keynoter post away from that of temporary chairman and proceeded toward the election of a temporary chairman.

Walter S. Hallanan of West Virginia, a staunch Taft supporter, was chosen temporary chairman of the convention.

Mylander said the voice vote for Hallanan was unanimous. The West Virginian is a veteran member of the committee, having served on it since 1928.

Hallanan was put in nomination by Jacob France of Maryland. The nomination was seconded by Cyrus L. Phillip of Wisconsin.

Rep. Joseph Martin of Massachusetts, House minority leader, who has praised MacArthur as a possible GOP presidential nominee, was named unanimously as permanent chairman of the convention.

The choice of MacArthur was a victory for supporters of Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, ending candidate for the GOP presidential nomination.

Shortage Of Pickers Threatens Berry Crop
SALEM (AP)—Many tons of strawberries will dry up unless pickers can be found immediately, the State Employment Service reported Monday.

The Salem employment office said one of the reasons for this year's shortage of pickers was that migrant workers who usually come to Oregon for the harvest, were remaining in California.

Oiling Of County Roads Due To Start Monday
A widespread oiling program for county roads will get under way next Monday, the County Court announced.

Blacktop paving is scheduled to be placed on several county roads throughout the area and the initial project is on the Sutherland-Umpqua Road from Sutherland to Scott Henry Bridge.

Other projects are contemplated this summer on roads in the vicinity of Oakland, Sutherland, Yoncalla, Drain, Camas Valley, and others.

The Weather
Scattered showers today and tonight. Partly cloudy Wednesday.

Highest temp. for any June 106
Lowest temp. for any June 36
Highest temp. last 24 hours 63
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 47
Precip. last 24 hours .01
Precip. from June 1 .04
Precip. from Sept. 1 35.02
Excess 3.28

Sunset today, 8:52 p.m. DST
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:32 a.m. DST