

American Prisoner Of Reds Asks Repatriation

Singular Honors Conferred Upon Four Roseburg Masons By Order's Supreme Council



E. LEROY HIATT

The Supreme Council of the 33d degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, meeting in Washington, D. C., has conferred signal honors upon four Roseburg Masons.

Morris C. Bowker and E. LeRoy Hiatt, both of whom are past masters of Laurel Lodge AF & AM, and past masters of Roseburg Lodge of Perfection and Roseburg Chapter Rose Croix of the Scottish Rite, and who have for many years been knight commanders of the Court of Honor in the Scottish Rite, were elected to receive the 33d degree.

John William Robertson and David M. Geddes of the Roseburg Scottish Rite Bodies have been elected by the Supreme Council to become knight commanders of the Court of Honor.

The rank and decoration of knight commander of the Court of Honor is awarded for long and meritorious services in the interests of Freemasonry and the principles of the Scottish Rite.

Election to receive the 33d degree is made from knights commander of the Court of Honor who have, since receiving that rank and decoration, continued to give long and meritorious services in the interests of Freemasonry. These honors cannot be applied for and are conferred only after election to receive the same by the Supreme Council meeting biennially in Washington, D. C.

It is probable that the 33d degree will be conferred upon those newly elected on Dec. 29 and that same day, those designated to receive the rank and decoration of knight commander will be invested with the honorary rank.

After the conferring in December, the Roseburg Scottish Rite Bodies will have three 33d degree Masons: Ray B. Compton, Morris C. Bowker and E. LeRoy Hiatt, and will have five knights commander of the Court of Honor: C. B. Calkins, Loyd F. Stearns, Oakland, Henry Maynard Stevens, David M. Geddes and John William Robertson.

On an average, there is one 33d degree Mason for each 40,000 population in the United States.

Woman Bravely Rescues Children From House Fire

SWEET HOME, Ore. (AP) — A young mother ran back into her flaming house three times early Wednesday and saved her children one-by-one. She and one child, an infant, were gravely burned.

The mother, Mrs. Robert Hand, 26, was hysterical after the rescue and neighbors, shocked by the speed with which fire swept through the Hands' two-room house, had trouble piecing the whole story together.

But from them and from a sister-in-law, Mrs. George Pitts, this emerged: Shortly before 1 a. m., while the husband was at work on the night shift at a mill, fire broke out, perhaps from cardboard boxes which had been crammed into the wood stove in the living room.

Mrs. Hand awoke, picked up Lloyd, 4 months, dropped him once, picked him up again and tore open the door. She opened the door and the door slammed shut behind her. She ran across the street, pounded on the door of the Clinton Hockley home, and handed in her baby.

While Hockley turned in an alarm, Mrs. Hand ran back to the house. There she handled to open the door. A man whose name was not learned—Mrs. Pitts said she thought he came from the nearby airport—kicked in the door and Mrs. Hand rushed past him, into the flames, and ran out again with Johnny, 4. Putting him down, she rushed back and came out with Stanley, 5. All had been sleeping in the same room.

Then, scarcely before the gathering group of spectators knew what she was doing, she went back into the flames and into the other room. There she picked up Susan. The flames had not yet reached the girl and she suffered only singed hair as her mother ran with her through the burning room and out the door.

Sheriff's Posse Adopts Constitution, By-Laws

Members of the Douglas County Sheriff's Posse adopted a new constitution and by-laws Tuesday night and set election of officers for Nov. 10, Sheriff Cal Baird reports.

Reorganization of the unit came as an outgrowth of requests from posse officers. It was claimed that interest in the posse was waning and that reorganization was needed to put new life in the organization.

The November election will be held at county headquarters at the county fairgrounds, where Tuesday night's meeting was held.

The Weather

Clear today, tonight and Thursday.

Highest Temp. last 24 hours — 61

Lowest Temp. last 24 hours — 31

Highest Temp. for any Oct. — 76

Lowest Temp. for any Oct. — 22

Precip. last 24 hours — 0

Precip. from Oct. 1 — 2.94

Precip. from Sept. 1 — 4.15

Excess from Sept. 1 — 1.26

Sunset today, 5:21 p. m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6:35 a. m.

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U. N. Security Council Takes Palestine Issue

Trieste Matter Is Bypassed For Time Being

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — The U. N. Security Council voted over Soviet opposition last night to hold off debate on the Trieste issue and cleared its decks for an exhaustive probe into the explosive Palestine situation.

The 11-nation council faces its next Palestine debate tomorrow when it takes up Syria's plaint that Israel is endangering Middle East peace by diverting the waters of the historic River Jordan.

During two wrangling sessions yesterday the council pushed through a U. S. call for a full-dress inquiry into the alleged border incidents between Israel and her Arab neighbors, including the recent Israeli attack on the Jordan village of Kibya in which Jordan claims 66 persons were killed and the village flattened.

Gen. Vagn Bennike, chief of staff of the truce supervision organization in Palestine, has been summoned to report on the general Palestine situation. He left Jerusalem by plane last night and is expected to arrive here later this week.

The tense Middle East issue was further complicated last night when Israel filed off a counter-complaint, demanding the council take up a charge that the Arab states violated the 1949 armistice blockade measures and refused to negotiate a peace.

Freezing Temperature Hits Roseburg Vicinity

The first freezing temperature of the season Wednesday morning settled on the lowland areas of the Umpqua Basin, the U. S. Weather Bureau reported.

The temperature dropped to 31 during the night, coating windshields with ice in the early morning, and leaving patches of frost in low areas, the weatherman said.

The "cold snap" is expected to be very temporary, the forecaster added. The temperature will drop to only 35 Thursday morning, he predicted.

POWER LINE BREAKS

Rural firemen were called out at 2 a. m. Wednesday when a power line went down on Taft Road, just off Highway 99 north of Roseburg, about four miles. Firemen stood by until California Oregon crews repaired the break. No damage occurred.

BOY BREAKS WRIST

A fractured left wrist was suffered by Donnie Frank Lanning, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lanning of Sutherlin, Tuesday, when he was wrestling at school. He was taken to Douglas Community Hospital for medical attention.

UF Hopes Better Than Appears In Funds Collected

Umpqua Basin United Fund directors said Tuesday night that the drive total is now \$24,500, but that much more has been accomplished to date than shown by actual figures.

Frank Norton, who presided in the absence of Chairman Harry Brubaker at the meeting at the Armory, said the amount collected so far represents mainly that part of the drive apart from the payroll deduction method. The final goal is about \$72,000.

Norton said the big bulk of contributions is expected from the payroll deduction plan.

Frank Woodworth made a report of progress on the plan. He pointed out that most firms have different set-ups, necessitating different approaches to the plan. In some cases, the deduction plan will not start until November. So, success of the drive cannot be accurately measured at the moment.

Response has been very good, he said, despite being necessarily slow. Woodworth praised YMOA Sec. Don Naden for his efforts in promotional work among various firms.

Others participating in the board meeting were Harold Schmeer of the budget committee, Mildred Herman of the Red Cross, Mrs. Son Naden, Mrs. Oscar Amundson and Mr. H. Pargeter of the Camp Fire Council, O. J. Feldkamp and UF Sec. Mona Hull.

Humane Society Seeking Members

The Douglas County Humane Society is urging membership drives in communities in the county, according to Mrs. D. E. Brodahl, executive secretary.

Mrs. Brodahl says that the membership push is needed to help solve problems already facing the Society.

Numerous calls are being received each day to find homes for abandoned dogs, cats and other animals. Although that is one of the purposes of the newly formed society, Mrs. Brodahl said, sufficient funds still are lacking for care of animals.

Until sufficient funds are accumulated to erect a shelter where the animals may be cared for and made available to prospective owners, the calls for help cannot be met, she added.

BOY'S LIP CUT

Donald Mulkey, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mulkey of Roseburg, was treated at Community Hospital Tuesday evening for a cut lip. The boy reportedly was hurt when his bicycle struck the side of a car driven by Walter Fisher of Roseburg. The accident occurred at Garden Valley Road and Mulholland Drive about 4 p. m.

Hunter Deaths Now Number 6 As Season Ends

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS — Oregon's deer hunting seasons—the general buck and the either-sex—ended Tuesday and the toll of hunters killed by gunfire stood at six.

Some of those wounded were badly hurt, too, with one or two still in critical condition.

And as usual, heart attacks felled many hunters. Twelve died of their seizures.

In 1952, eight deer hunters were shot to death in Oregon. State Game Commission records disclose. Most of these were in actual shooting accidents. But this year two of the six victims died when rifles discharged in falling either in or near the hunters' automobiles. One was shot by his own gun and the other three were victims of other hunters.

At least 13 hunters were wounded. The tearing bullets shattered arms and legs in some cases. One of the last reported was the wounding of Mrs. Fred Willis, 32, Carlton, while handling a rifle from the car to her husband, 30 miles east of Chemult. Taken to a Bend hospital, her right arm was amputated Tuesday.

The season started on a note of tragedy. Mr. and Mrs. Albert O. Weekly of Myrtle Creek started early for a hunting site on Oct. 1 and they died in the crash of their car from the Tiller-Trall Highway.

And another man seeking a site, Clarence Johnson of Gates, vanished. He was found dead, victim of a heart attack.

The first to die of a gunshot wound was Mrs. Clarence Barnes of Milton-Freewater—killed in a car when a rifle fell, Oct. 4.

On the following days, guns killed Gilbert Gabrielson of Portland, a falling rifle; Wayne Olson of Medford, his own rifle; Jack Eastham of Astoria, by another hunter; Jimmie Hooker of Albany; McLaren of La Grande, by another hunter.

Last year while eight hunters were killed in the deer season, another six were killed hunting other game, three of them hunting waterfowl.

BICYCLE RECOVERED

City police early Wednesday morning recovered a bicycle reported stolen Tuesday afternoon from Mervin Pearson at Benson School. The bike, they said, was found during the early morning hours at Douglas and Stephens Streets and was taken to the city garage.

Eisenhower Backs Benson; Says Farmers Less Upset On Matters Than Politicians

By ED CREGGH
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower Wednesday voiced full confidence in Secretary of Agriculture Benson who has come under fire from some Congress members.

Eisenhower also told a news conference he believes the nation's cattlemen and farmers are taking their current problems in stride and are not as upset about them as some politicians are.

The President said he is not going to be critical of his secretary of agriculture because Benson has not yet produced a quick solution of the farm problem.

His statements came when he was asked about assertions by Sen. Young (R-ND) that Benson should resign because Young said the cabinet member had "lost the confidence of the farmers."

Eisenhower said he thinks it is up to the President to decide who should be his principal advisers in each field of government.

And he declared he has seen no one more dedicated than Benson to working out the problem of the conflict between producers and consumers.

Eisenhower declined, with a laugh, to say whether he thought disconcerted over administration farm policies was the chief factor in the recent election of a Democrat to Congress from a normally Republican congressional district in Wisconsin.

The chief executive was in a buoyant mood and touched a wide range of subjects in his news conference.

He said among other things: 1. He does not plan to take any part on the state or local level in next year's congressional elections but hopes he can help the Republican Party by trying to establish policies which the over-

Meeting Sought Unity Principles, Sec. Dulles Says

NEW YORK (AP) — Secretary of State Dulles says the recent foreign ministers meeting in London "sought unifying principles which might relax tension" in the world but "avoided platitudes without practical relevancy."

Dulles adds that what the meeting did not do is as important as what it did do, asserting: "We did not undermine the moral strength of the free world by resort to measures of short-range expediency."

The secretary of state, in a speech last night at the 22nd annual New York Herald Tribune Forum, gave a panoramic view of the talks he had at London with British Foreign Secretary Eden and French Foreign Minister Bidault. Dulles returned Monday from the meeting.

One of the chief results of the London sessions was the sending to Russia of a proposal for a meeting of foreign ministers at Lugano, Switzerland, Nov. 9.

Says He Has Had Fill Of Communism

Corporal From Virginia Indicates More GI's Will Ask For Freedom

By FORREST EDWARDS
PANMUNJOM (AP) — A corporal from Virginia's mountain country—the first of 22 unrepatriated American war prisoners to quit Communism—said Wednesday "I had enough" of life under the Reds.

Cpl. Edward S. Dickenson, a 29-year-old former farmer from Big Stone Gap, Va., said it was "more than likely" some of the other Americans who sprung a chance to return home would change their minds.

"Communism is not my belief," he told a news conference. "I have my own beliefs."

Dickenson, whose parents live in a remote cabin high in the Allegheny mountains, returned to the Allies of his own free will. Rushed to a hospital near Seoul, he told newsmen he had contemplated returning for quite a while. The young soldier flatly refused to answer questions that would have shed light on why he or the other Americans chose to remain with the Reds.

"I can't answer that. . . I don't know what they (the 22 others) want to do."

Dickenson, appearing slightly bewildered and choosing his words carefully, asked after about 10 minutes that the interview be halted. Then he agreed to a brief appearance before newsmen and television cameras.

He said he had not been briefed by Army officers before meeting.

American Envoy Leaves For Korea To Talk To Reds

WASHINGTON (AP)—Special envoy Arthur Dean left for Korea Wednesday to determine when, where and on what conditions the Far Eastern Communist powers are willing to negotiate about a Korean peace settlement.

Secretary of State Dulles, having directed this "practical step" toward the Red Chinese and North Korea, called on Dean, a former diplomat, to "reveal" evidence of what it intends to do concretely about a settlement in Europe.

At a news conference Tuesday and in a New York speech last night, Dulles made it emphatically clear he is thinking only of dealing with the Reds on specific issues and that he intends to allow them no opportunity to create what he called "the illusion of agreement."

Dean, with a staff of eight advisers and assistants, is flying via Tokyo and Seoul to Panmunjom. He will talk with U. S. military and diplomatic leaders in Tokyo Friday and with President Syngman Rhee and U. S. officials in Seoul Saturday. He will go to Panmunjom to meet with Red Chinese and North Korean representatives Monday.

Ronald Poteet Fined For Reckless Driving

Ronald Gene Poteet, 17, paid a \$50 fine in district court Tuesday when he appeared to face reckless driving charges, Judge A. J. Geddes reports.

Poteet was arrested by state police after the car he was driving went out of control and crashed near Nielsen's Market Monday.

Douglas County PTA Holds Day-Long Discussion Here

The Douglas County Council of the Parent-Teachers Association met in an instructional forum Tuesday afternoon at the Episcopal parish hall to air problems that develop within the county organization.

The group, headed by three state PTA officers, discussed such things of interest to the association as traffic and driving safety within the school program. Present at the morning session was Paul G. Warren, from the secretary of state's office, Salem, who told of the program of driver instruction being discussed in the junior and senior high age group.

While there is no such program at the present time available in the Roseburg schools, Warren assured the members that such a program would receive the full cooperation of the motor vehicle department if it should develop. PTA groups have been discussing the sponsorship of such a program, but have found it too expensive in the past.

Also speaking during the morning session was Kenneth Barnes, Douglas County school superintendent, who welcomed the committee members.

In charge of the afternoon workshop session was Mrs. Helmer Lindstrom, Astoria, president of the Oregon State Parent-Teachers Assoc. Accompanying her on the state-wide tour are Mrs. J. W. Staggs, first vice president, and Mrs. Ralph Herron, Lebanon, Region 8 vice-president.

Approximately 80 Douglas County Council members were present at the 10 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. conv.



COUNTY COUNCIL—State officers of the Parent-Teachers Association visited Douglas County Tuesday, to meet in an instructional session with members of the Douglas County Council. Shown during the work shop session, are Mrs. Ralph Herron, Lebanon, Region 8 vice-president; Mrs. Helmer Lindstrom, Astoria, Oregon State PTA president; Mrs. Orville Smith, Sutherlin, Douglas County PTA president; and Mrs. J. W. Staggs, Milton-Freewater State PTA first vice-president.

Heart Interests Entered In John Wayne Divorce Trial; Charges Are Denied

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Nicky Hilton, former husband of Elizabeth Taylor, today was subpoenaed to explain his week-long stay last year at the John Wayne home as the guest of Mrs. Wayne while the rugged movie star was in Honolulu.

Wayne charged yesterday during the couple's stormy divorce trial that his wife entertained Hilton during his absence. This followed an accusation by Mrs. Wayne that the movie box office king once had an all-night tryst with actress Gail Russell.

Hilton, son of hotel magnate Conrad Hilton, said he would save comment until "I testify in court."

Atty. Jerome Rosenthal, counsel for Mrs. Wayne, said actress Betsy von Furstenberg would testify that she asked Mrs. Wayne to house Hilton while he recuperated from accident injuries. Hilton and Miss Von Furstenberg were sweethearts at the time.

On the stand yesterday, Mrs. Wayne testified her brawny husband hit her with everything from the back of his hand to upholstered pillows during six years of Hollywood married life. But they always kissed and made up, she added.

One reconciliation scene, she said, took place in a Burbank hospital. She quoted the husky actor: "I know I have been a horrible jerk with you. I need you very much. Please give me one more chance."

Just as she was about to give in, she added, Wayne's press agent arrived and asked: "Shall I call the reporters?"

Mrs. Wayne said she snapped: "What is this, a reconciliation or a publicity stunt?"

She said Wayne agreed that the scene misfired and ordered the publicist out of the room by yelling that he "had spoiled everything by coming in too soon."

Another time Wayne embarrassed her, she testified, was when he left her stranded at a party while he took off with the boys.

"They all went someplace where there were strippers, call girls, prostitutes or whatever you want to call them. He came home the next morning very drunk and with a beg, black bite on his neck."

Asked to explain what kind of a bite, Mrs. Wayne's large Latin eyes grew big and she emphasized: "There was a human being bite."

She said Wayne told her that one of the strippers bit him without his consent.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In the state of Iowa (at Ames, seat of Iowa State College, one of the best known of our agricultural schools) they had a football game Saturday. It was with Missouri. Missouri was SWAMPED.

The swamping touched off the volatile spirits of some 4000 students and they staged a celebration to subdue. Among other things, the youngsters threw up road blocks (made of drain tile, which is a standard item of commerce in the rich agricultural state of Iowa) and compelled all traffic to detour around the town of Ames.

Then they demanded a Monday holiday in order to put a fitting cap sheaf on the celebration and President James Hilton was away from Ames for the weekend. Reached on the phone, he commented mildly:

"Kids are kids. Some of them did things they knew they'd be sorry for later."

I expect that's by long odds the best way to look at it. American youngsters are high-

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Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Fruit of the city's bothersome traffic system seems to be in the form of jams.