

Eisenhower Sees Need For New Training Program

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower was described as feeling it is "absolutely essential" for Congress to enact a new military training program designed to strengthen greatly the nation's armed forces reserves.

A Republican congressional leader, who asked that his name not be used, said this topic stirred up more controversy than any other in two days of White House briefings on the President's program for the 1955 session.

Several Republicans and Democrats who were at the meetings confirmed the broad outline of the training program as presented to them. Secretary of Defense Wilson is scheduled to make details public Friday.

Informants said youths of 17 and 18 would be given this option:

1. Take six months of intensive military training, then enter an active reserve program for 9½ years during which they would be obliged to continue periodic training and would be subject to immediate call in an emergency; or
2. Wait for the regular draft and two years of active service after turning 19. Following discharge from active service, the draftee would be subject to six years of reserve duty.

Richard Thomson Wins New Trial

SALEM (AP) — Richard E. Thomson, Newport, who was sentenced to 20 years for trying to kill his business partner, won a new trial Wednesday.

The Oregon Supreme Court unanimously reversed his conviction because Circuit Judge Fred McHenry allowed the jury to find out that Thomson originally had pleaded guilty to the charge. Thomson changed his plea to innocent.

Thomson was charged with having attempted to kill James Meuler by beating him with an iron pipe and then running the car, with Meuler in it, over a high cliff on the Coast Highway.

The Supreme Court, in its decision by Justice Hall S. Lusk, said it was prejudicial to Thomson's case to permit Thomson's guilty plea as evidence.

The high court said that when evidence is conflicting, the question of guilt must be determined by the jury without any incompetent evidence being submitted.

Other decisions included:

Herman R. Bires and R. J. Martens, appellants, vs. Grand Lodge Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America. Appeal from Lane County. Suit by two lodge members to get reinstatement. Opinion by Justice William Perry, Judge G. F. Skipworth, affirmed, holding that the courts have no jurisdiction in lodge membership disputes.

Horsemen To Consider Reviving Fair Horse Show

Horsemen from throughout Oregon will meet in Roseburg Saturday evening to discuss reintroduction of a light horse show at the Oregon State Fair.

The meeting will be held at the Douglas County Fairgrounds pavilion, according to group spokesman Henry Cook of Sutherlin. It will be open to the public. Starting time is 8 p.m.

Cook said Tuesday the horse show was discontinued after the 1951 state fair. Reason for the demise of the show given by the state fair commission was lack of stalls for the horses, he added.

Chairman of the commission is Dr. E. B. Stewart of Roseburg. According to Cook the state fair now offers no opportunity for exhibitors to show saddle horses.

Officers Investigating Reported Stolen Autos

A car stolen from Myrtle Creek turned up in Eugene Tuesday and another stolen car was recovered in Myrtle Creek, according to city police there.

Police told correspondent Ruth M. Evans Wednesday that the car recovered in Eugene was owned by Douglas Babbitt of Myrtle Creek. It had apparently been stolen Tuesday morning from in front of his house on Oak Street.

Eugene police are holding two suspects.

Tuesday afternoon, Myrtle Creek police and state police recovered a Grants Pass car that had apparently been abandoned in front of the Myrtle Creek bank. It was owned by Gene Brown of 304 N.W. Savage St. in Grants Pass, police said.

EARLY CHRISTMAS

NEW CASTLE, Pa. (AP) — Four-year-old Susan Hauffler had her Christmas Tuesday because doctors say stomach cancer may kill her before Dec. 25.

Thousands of cards, some from as far away as Alaska, and stacks of gifts filled her room.

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Woman Strangled By Own Car In Accident Tuesday

THE DALLES (AP) — Mrs. Bertha Steinert was strangled to death by her automobile here Tuesday.

She parked her car on a steep, muddy, street, set the handbrake and put the transmission in parking. She got out of the car which apparently then skidded in the mud and knocked her down. The left front wheel of the car rolled up against her throat.

Mrs. Steinert, 54, was dead when help arrived.

Secretary Of Navy Discounts Chance For Global War

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — There is little present danger of global war, Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas says, because "the free world is too strong, actually and potentially, and our potential enemy is still too weak."

In a speech at the Institute of World Affairs, Thomas said, however, that the Korean War demonstrates that "smaller wars can be 'just as defeating and just as conclusive' as full-scale wars. That is why, he said, the free world still needs conventional weapons and ground troops.

At a news conference in Los Angeles, Thomas said the Navy has seaplane jet bombers in the experimental stage.

Evidently they are to be whoppers—"as large as we care to build them"—and when a news conference reporter asked whether that meant as big as the Air Force B52 intercontinental bomber, the secretary replied:

"I don't see why not—with the oceans as landing fields."

Justice Douglas Marries Staffer

TALLULAH, La. (AP) — Associate Justice William O. Douglas and a 37-year-old member of his Washington staff were married late Tuesday at her parents' home here.

The bride is Mrs. Mercedes Hester Davidson, ex-wife of former Asst. Secretary of the Interior C. Girard Davidson, now a Portland, Ore., attorney. They were divorced three years ago.

Douglas, 56, was divorced last year by his wife Mildred, who said he abandoned her while engaged in his work and world travels.

The new Mrs. Douglas did research for Douglas on his last three travel books.

The couple left last night for a two or three-week honeymoon to an undisclosed Western destination.

Vatican Reports Pope Improves

VATICAN CITY (AP) — The Vatican press office said Wednesday Pope Pius XII is again on the upgrade. Though internal bleeding is reported to have complicated his gastric ailment, his condition was described as improving.

Quoting a dispatch set up for publication late Wednesday by the Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano, the press office said:

"The Holy Father has overcome his stationary situation and his condition now has again started to improve."

The newspaper came out with the additional word the Pontiff showed a slight improvement Wednesday morning. It said there was no basis for pessimism in the consultations Tuesday of medical specialists who decided to X-ray his abdomen Thursday, about two weeks ahead of their original schedule.

A source close to the Pope said he is suffering from anemia and that indications of internal bleeding, possibly caused by an ulcer, were factors in the decision to speed up the use of X-rays.

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Former Resident, 72, To Be Buried Here

Alma Montgomery Crabtree, 72, former resident of this community, died Monday in Salem where she had been living for the past 14 years.

She was born Dec. 17, 1882, in Grenola, Kan. She came to Oregon from Texas in 1915 and resided in Lookingglass until 1940. After living in Roseburg and Eugene for a time she moved to Salem to make her home.

She was married to S. B. Montgomery at Green Valley, Okla., June 17, 1906. In 1942 she married Thomas C. Crabtree of Salem. Both men have preceded her in death.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Salem.

Surviving are three sons, John R. Montgomery, North San Juan, Calif., and Robert and Edward Montgomery, both of Oakridge; three daughters, Mrs. Howard (Kathryn) Hutto, Glendale, Mrs. Robert V. (Martha) Karstens, Portland, and Mrs. Oliver W. (Grace) Dodson, Long Beach, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Hattie Howard, Denver, Colo.; a brother, John Keen, Nevada, Mo.; 13 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the Chapel of the Roses, Roseburg Funeral Home, Thursday at 11 a.m. The Rev. E. T. Grafstrom of the Glendale Assembly of God Church will officiate. Vault interment will follow in the Lookingglass Cemetery.

Floyd Levi Jenkins Released From Jail

Floyd Levi Jenkins, 38, Glendale, was released from the county jail Tuesday on order of Circuit Judge Frank B. Reid after Jenkins agreed to abide by a Nov. 18 order of the court.

Jenkins was arrested for contempt of court, but when he appeared before Judge Reid he promised to comply with an order which he allegedly had been flouting.

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Dulles Arrives In Paris For Important Session

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phrey, Harold Stassen, foreign aid chief, and Livingston T. Merchant, assistant secretary of state for European affairs. Foreign, finance and defense ministers of the 14 NATO countries will participate in the two-day council meeting.

In addition to the crucial atomic plan debate, the council must fix definite goals for every member country for 1955, agree on provisional goals for 1956 and on planned goals for 1957. The goals include the number of provisions, planes and other defense items each nation is to provide.

The atomic issue came to the forefront as a result of a feeling increasing in European diplomatic circles that atomic weapons of any sort should not be used without prior approval of all NATO member governments.

A "new look" plan, approved in principle by the NATO ministers last year, provided for the use of atomic weapons to counterbalance the Communist world's heavy predominance in manpower. Under the plan, new and spectacular weapons were to replace vast numbers of infantry.

Surviving are a son, A. L. Huffman, Riddle; a daughter, Mrs. Ulys (Ruth) Torrance, Pine Bluff; four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Admitted Slayer Will Be Sentenced For Car Theft

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Robert C. Knowles, admitted slayer of a man in Oregon last year, will be sentenced Monday on a federal charge of car theft.

Knowles, a former resident of Bangor, Maine, was returned from Oregon Monday where he showed police he had buried the body of Albert Stuart, Wickenburg, Ariz., harvest worker, south of The Dalles.

He had admitted the slaying while being held here on the car theft charge.

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Former Riddle Man Dies In Arkansas

George William Huffman, 93, former resident of Riddle, died Dec. 11 at his home in Pine Bluff, Ark.

He was born Jan. 19, 1861 in Parkersburg, Ill.

He had lived in Riddle until six years ago when he moved to Pine Bluff to make his home with his daughter. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ida Ellen, in 1946.

Surviving are a son, A. L. Huffman, Riddle; a daughter, Mrs. Ulys (Ruth) Torrance, Pine Bluff; four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. in the Baptist Church in Riddle. The Rev. C. A. Rhodes will officiate. The Chapel of the Roses, Roseburg Funeral Home, is in charge of the arrangements. Interment will be in the Riddle Cemetery.

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