

LEGISLATURE OPENS IN PARTISANSHIP SPIRIT



MELROSE RESIDENTS were aroused Saturday by a bill of black smoke rising from the site of the recent well-drilling operation near the school. Investigation proved that the landowner, Henry Scott, and C. C. Bursik had touched a match to waste oil left behind by drillers. Above is the tag end of what happened. In its height, the fire sent smoke to an estimated 200 feet in the air. The oil, incidentally, didn't come from the well. (Paul Jenkins photo)

Kidnaper Of Youth For Ransom Faces Life Rap Or Death

FREEHOLD, N. J. — State police nabbed a former summer camp worker in a hotel room Sunday on a charge of kidnapping a 16-year-old Yonkers, N.Y., boy in hope of collecting \$100,000 ransom.

The arrest of Anthony Staikos, 31, of Matawan Township, followed an intensive hunt by police after the youth, Joel Robert Katz, broke his bonds and fled from his purported kidnaper.

Authorities said Staikos signed a statement admitting he kidnapped the youth Friday evening.

Young Katz had been a waiter at the summer camp in Lackawanna, Pa., where Staikos was a cook.

Staikos, handsome and well-dressed, and who was quoted as saying that "God has forsaken me for the past 31 years," was to be arraigned Monday under the New Jersey kidnap law.

Monmouth County Prosecutor J. Victor Carlton said Sunday night the FBI has stepped out of the case and that no federal charges would be filed against Staikos.

Death Penalty Possible

A top penalty of 30 years to life in prison is provided under the state law in cases of kidnapping where no ransom is involved. Carlton said a convicted kidnaper may be sentenced to death if ransom is asked, unless a jury recommends life.

Young Katz, who was not hurt during his overnight captivity in Matawan Township, is the son of a realtor of average means. Carlton said he wrote two notes—one to Staikos' order demanding \$100,000 ransom and the other to re-assure his parents.

DIRE FORECAST

ROME — Italy's chief Communist, Palmiro Togliatti, opened his party's national convention Sunday with the assertion that Europe faces catastrophe and the prospect of collapse in Italy.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Charlie Hamman, director of area research for Stanford Research Institute, tells the Oregon Guild of Building Craftsmen at a meeting in Portland that the Pacific Northwest is the land of the future.

Its population now, he said, is about five million.

By 1975, it will be nearly EIGHT MILLION.

He told his hearers that undeveloped resources make it inevitable that the Pacific Northwest area will increase in population.

He added:

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That brings up an interesting theory that is coming to be accepted by weather scientists. The theory is that the Pacific Northwest area will increase in population.

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy today, tonight and Tuesday with occasional showers Tuesday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours 42

Lowest temp. last 24 hours 38

Highest temp. any Jan. 71

Lowest temp. any Jan. -6

Precip. last 24 hours 7

Precip. from Jan. 1 1.09

Precip. from Sept. 1 10.68

Deficiency from Sept. 1 4.11

Sunset tonight, 4:57 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7:44 a.m.

South Douglas School Heads Sate Meeting

A meeting is scheduled Wednesday night at 7 o'clock in the Myrtle Creek school cafeteria for all southern Douglas County school superintendents and school board members.

This is the second meeting of the board members and superintendents this school year. Its purpose is to form a method of exchanging ideas. The subject on the agenda at the Wednesday meeting will be the various phases of budget making.

Schools receiving invitations were: Glendale, Canyonville, Riddle, Days Creek, Tiller, Myrtle Creek, Dillard and Camas Valley.

Roseburg Woman Faces Child Stealing Count

A Roseburg woman, Vera Virginia Hamilton, is being held at McMinville on a Douglas County warrant charging her with child stealing. Bail is \$2,000.

Dist. Atty. Robert M. Stults said the woman was charged with taking her 2-year-old child and hiding the child from juvenile court authorities.

The child had been declared dependent and a ward of the court. The youngsters were placed in a foster home, from which Mrs. Hamilton allegedly took the child without permission. The complaint was filed by Mrs. Lois Baker, administrator of the Douglas County Public Welfare Commission.

Fire Damages Z. Wyatt Home North Of Roseburg

Fire, believed to have started in the kitchen of a one-story frame house north of Roseburg, caused an estimated \$700 in damages Sunday night.

Roseburg rural firemen said the blaze at the home of the Zemyer Wyatt family, 1040 Thomas Street, started about 10:30 p.m. The interior of the home rented by the family was almost gutted by firemen.

Wyatt, his wife and three children were able to save almost all of their clothes and bedding, firemen said. Wyatt is employed as a train fireman at the Weyerhaeuser logging camp in Sutherlin.

N. California Lumber Unions OK 7 1/2 Cts. Hike

REDDING, Calif. — Representatives of Northern California lumber unions voted Sunday to recommend that locals seek a 7 1/2 cents an hour increase.

Robert Giesick, executive secretary of the Northern California District Council, AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers' Union, which held a quarterly meeting here Saturday and Sunday, said the demand was patterned after the increase recommended to the Pacific Northwest Douglas fir industry last September by a governors' peace panel.

Four Killed, 5th Hurt In Truck-Train Crash

GRAPELAND, Tex. — A mother and three children were killed Monday and a fourth child critically injured when their small truck smashed into the Texas Eagle, the Missouri Pacific's crack streamliner, at a crossing here.

The force of the crash tangled the truck under the diesel engine of the streamliner.

The dead were identified as Mrs. Forrest Walling, 40, of Grapeland; Virginia Walling, 17, and twin girls Pamela and Paula, 3.

Nancy Franklin, 9, an adopted child, was critically injured.

Mrs. Walling was driving her children to school when the accident occurred.

DRIVER EXAMS DATED

A driver's license examiner will be on duty in Roseburg Thursday and Friday at 120 N. Kane St. between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Eisenhower Asks Power To Reduce Tariffs

Aid To Allies Said Needed To Help U.S.

Message Renews Plea Rejected By G.O.P. Congress Last Year

By STERLING F. GREEN

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower Monday asked Congress for power to make a "moderate, gradual and reciprocal" cut in tariffs by as much as 15 percent.

In a special message, the President said this nation's own interest requires a foreign economic program that will stimulate economic growth in the free world. He said:

"Our own self-interest requires such a program because (1) economic strength among our allies is essential to our security; (2) economic growth in underdeveloped areas is necessary to lessen international instability growing out of the vulnerability of such areas to Communist penetration and subversion; and (3) an increasing volume of world production and trade will help assure our own economic growth and a rising standard of living among our own people."

In the first of a series of special messages to the Democratic 83rd Congress, the President specifically renewed the request he made to last year's GOP-run Congress, without success, for a three-year extension of the reciprocal trade agreements act with new tariff-cutting power.

Other Recommendations

As other steps in the foreign economic field, Eisenhower also recommended:

1. Customs simplification. He asked that Congress take action further streamlining customs administration and procedure which...

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160 Pints Of Blood Fail To Save Dallas Patient

DALLAS, Tex. — Hubert Harris died suddenly early Monday to end a week-long fight to keep blood flowing through his veins while doctors tried to find a way to keep it there.

More than 160 pints of blood had been pumped in a steady stream into the 47-year-old manufacturer, bleeding "everywhere" from a mysterious ailment.

Harris began losing blood through the intestinal tract last Monday night. Two surgical operations failed to find the cause of the bleeding.

Doctors said Harris had received more blood transfusions consecutively than any other known person.

Air Force Recruiter Here Awaits Transfer

S-Sgt. James S. Brown, United States Air Force recruiter here for the past five months, is being transferred, he said here today.

Brown said he would draw an assignment at an Air Force base, but added he hasn't been informed which one.

A new recruiter is to be assigned to Roseburg in 30 to 45 days, he said. Meanwhile, men from Douglas, Coos and Curry counties may inquire about the service on Mondays and Fridays, when an Air Force man will be here for recruiting.

Child Neglect Charge In Roseburg Dropped

Charges of child neglect have been dropped in district court against Betty Burris, 33, Roseburg. She was arrested Saturday morning by city police on complaint of "Charles Carper, who said the woman left her 10-month-old son in an unheated room in the middle of the night."

The case, however, was turned over to the county juvenile officer. The County Welfare Dept. has started a petition to place the child in a foster home.

Baby Sitting Assn. Has New Coordinator

New coordinator of the Baby Sitting Assn. of Roseburg is Mrs. Don Naden. She will head up the present organization of 31 baby sitters.

Mrs. Naden replaces Mrs. H. Geigle, who resigned because she is moving away from Roseburg.

Mrs. Naden reports the 31 sitters and two practical nurses are now caring for children in 95 families. Any other information on the organization may be secured by calling 3-8450.

Voting Spots On Proposed School Bonds

Sum Of \$432,000 Asked For Lane Junior High And Elementary Unit

These are the school precinct polling places for those voting in Tuesday's bond election in the Roseburg School District. Voting will be between 2 and 8 p.m.

Precinct No. 1 (Central Junior High School): East Mill, West Mill, Deer Creek, Benson, Umpqua and Lane political precincts.

Precinct No. 2 (Senior High School): Park, Brown, Fairhaven, West Roseburg, Wharton and Laurelwood precincts. Also that part of North Brown precinct lying south of the South Umpqua River.

Precinct No. 3 (Riverside School): Edgewater East No. 1, Edgewater East No. 2, Edgewater East No. 3, Edgewater West No. 1 and Edgewater West No. 2 precincts. Also that part of North Brown precinct lying north of the South Umpqua River.

Precinct No. 4 (Rose School): Hamilton, Woodward, Caro, Sherman, Miller and Roseburg precincts. Also that part of Parrot precinct lying north of an easterly line starting at the junction of the old and new highways.

Precinct No. 5 (Melrose School): Melrose precinct.

Precinct No. 6 (Green School): Green precinct. Also that part of Parrot precinct lying south of the line from the highway junction.

Precinct No. 7 (Winchester School): Winchester and Wilbur precincts.

Precinct No. 8 (Riverside School): Garden Valley and Edgewater West No. 3 precincts.

Second Douglas Grange Supports Sales Tax Plan

Members of the South Umpqua Grange joined Melrose Grange members Friday evening as they split with the Oregon State Grange over the issue of possible legislative levy of a state sales tax.

The South Umpqua Grange members voted in favor of a sales tax for school purposes, reports Days Creek News-Review Correspondent Jean Yoder.

Grange Master Mrs. Sylvia Larson said Monday a special committee had been appointed to prepare a resolution to send to Pomona Grange. A copy of the resolution will also be sent to the State Legislature, she said.

Tom Epping, South Umpqua Grange member, broached the subject to Grange members Friday evening. He was then appointed to head the resolutions committee. The Days Creek farmer will be assisted by Roy B. Matthews and Merl Krell, also of Days Creek.

The vote to split with the state Grange was 11 to 1, Mrs. Yoder said. South Umpqua Grange Hall is located on the Tiller - Trail Highway.

Action by the southern Douglas grange was taken without knowledge of the Melrose move, Mrs. Yoder said.

School Bond Issue Up For Tuesday Vote

Sum Of \$432,000 Asked For Lane Junior High And Elementary Unit

The proposed financing of construction of two school projects in the Roseburg School District will be decided on by voters Tuesday when they ballot on a submitted \$432,000 bond issue.

The issue would pay for building of an eight-classroom elementary starter school, completed with offices and multipurpose room, and addition of projected facilities at Joseph Lane Junior High School. The facilities include a physical education plant and dressing rooms, two classrooms and hot lunch program.

The bonds will be set up for retirement on a 10-year schedule. Additional tax levy to property owners in the district would be 2.4 mills, or \$2.40 per \$1,000 of assessed property valuation.

Voters have a choice in the completion of the projects. Separate issues are set forth for each construction: \$225,000 for the elementary school and \$207,000 for the junior high school each may be voted on.

The elementary school site already has been picked and an option taken on land. Valued at \$11,800 for 11.9 acres, the land is located on the west side of Kline Street in Huerfano at the northwest limits of the city. Cost of the land would be included in the bonds.

The Joseph Lane facilities would be built on a 10-acre site in the present junior high school. The first phase of the school was completed.

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Relocated Highway Has First Traffic Accident

The first recorded traffic accident on relocated Highway 99 in West Roseburg was investigated by city police Saturday afternoon.

The highway section, running between the fairgrounds and Garden Valley Road, is open to local traffic but not through traffic.

Officers said cars driven by Donald Coats, 37, of 1504 Walnut St., and Donald Wright, 26, of 3007 Sharp St., collided head-on at the Harvard Avenue interchange. Coats was driving his car off the highway and Wright his onto the new thoroughfare when they hit.

Damage to the two vehicles totaled \$600, police estimated. No one was cited.

MORSE ATTAINS GOAL

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats Monday restored Sen. Barkley (D-Ky.) to the two top committee jobs he formerly held—foreign relations and finance—and gave Sen. Morse (Ind-Ort) his long-sought post on foreign relations.

Levy On Property Included In Governor Patterson's Request For Higher Taxes

It is reliably reported that Governor Paul L. Patterson's inaugural message to the Oregon Legislature, scheduled for delivery this afternoon, will contain the following recommendations:

Dag-Chou Huddle Ends; Result Open To Various Guesses

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. — Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld and Premier Chou En-Lai ended their Peiping conferences Monday with an expressed hope "to continue contact." Their communiqué made no mention of the fate of the 11 U. S. airmen imprisoned in Red China.

"We feel that these talks have been useful and we hope to be able to continue the contact established in these meetings," they said.

U. N. diplomats received the news from Peiping with interest, although they were unable to tell from the final communiqué whether any agreement had been reached.

One Asian delegate expressed belief the key might be found in the word "useful." If the talks had been a failure, he said, this word would not have been used.

What It Could Mean

Others commented, however, that the communiqué could mean any one of these things:

1. That an agreement had been reached, but that it was left to Chou to announce in his own way and at a time of his own choosing that the airmen would be released.

2. That Hammarskjöld was bringing back to the United States counterproposals, laying down terms under which the airmen would be freed.

3. That Chou had rejected out-of-hand the secretary general's appeal on behalf of the fliers.

Earlier, Peiping radio laid down one of its bitterest blasts against the United States.

In one of its longest tirades, the radio accused the United States of abandoning attempts to solve world problems peacefully and openly taking the road to war.

"The danger of war is increasing," Peiping said. It claimed the United States "is pursuing its plans for war" in both Europe and the Far East, "stepping up the rearmament of Japan and rigging up a northeast Asia aggressive alliance."

Skater Drowns After Hour's Ordeal With Ice

GRANGEVILLE, Idaho — A 16-year-old high school junior who fell through the ice while skating at Tolo Lake was drowned Sunday night after holding on for nearly an hour while help was on the way.

Robert Carlson, 16, of Grangeville, was skating on the ice when he fell through. He was holding on for nearly an hour while help was on the way.

Carlson was rescued by a group of men who arrived to try to pull him to safety.

Old Autos Used In Propping Dike



STRENGTHEN DIKE — Roseburg city employees are using old car bodies to strengthen the dike which protects the city disposal plant near the west end of Rowe Street. (Paul Jenkins photo)

Rivalry May Put Session On Slow Pace

House Democrats Lose Opening Round In Vote On Change In Rules

SALEM — Oregon's 48th Legislature was organized Monday amid signs that partisan activity in the House might slow things up. Both houses met at 10 a.m. to make legal what they did in Sunday night's caucus, where the 25 House Democrats failed to persuade their 35 Republican brethren to make it easier to take bills away from committees and to change the rules.

The Democrats, trying to prevent the Republicans from walking all over them if the Republicans should get such ideas tried to make it possible to take both moves by majority vote.

The Democrats were beaten 24 to 36 on the proposed rule to take bills from committees, and 25 to 35 on the move to change the rules by a majority.

So now it will require a two-thirds vote to do either.

Officers Elected

Elmo E. Smith, John Day weekly newspaper publisher, was elected Senate president. Edward A. Geary, Klamath Falls rancher, was elected speaker of the House. The vote was unanimous.

Both houses voted, for the first time, to permit radio and television reporters inside the bar of each house. The Senate decided to permit broadcasts and telecasts of meetings only by permission of its president. The House won't allow them unless it gives permission.

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Chinese Reds Stage Heaviest Air Attack On Nationalist Land

TAIPEH, Formosa — Chinese Communist aircraft in three types of Russian-built planes bombed the strategic Tachen Islands today in the biggest air raid yet staged by the Reds against Chinese Nationalist territory.

The Nationalist Defense Ministry reported a four-wave attack on the Tachens—200 miles south of Formosa—was made by 66 aircraft. The ministry said one of the raiders possibly was shot down.

The ministry reported:

The Reds dropped more than 100 bombs. One residential area was set afire and a small craft fire disturbed the bombers' aim and most of the explosives fell into the sea.

Today's attack fulfilled expectations in Taipei that the Chinese Reds would keep alive the "vest pocket" war and possibly expand it in 1955. The raid might or might not be one of a series intended to soften the Tachens for Red invasion, or it might have been planned to test possible American reaction.

American policy has been to keep the Reds guessing whether the U.S. 7th fleet, committed by treaty to defend Formosa and the Pescadores, will intervene if the Reds pose any major threat to the island outposts. The Nationalists hold off the Red China coast.

Glendale Parade Starts Off Dimes March Drive

The March of Dimes drive in Glendale started off with a rush Saturday, according to Correspondent Mrs. G. B. Fox.

With Chief of Police Eugene Looney serving as marshal, the parade started from the grade school and wound through town with most of the top city figures in tow.

A total of 15 cars took part in the parade, representing organizations and phases of the drive. The combined grade and high school bands set the pace.

Included among the participants in the parade were: Mayor Robert Proffitt, three ministers, William Burks, high school student body president and Ralph Haggard, the constable.

The parade launched the drive which will continue through this month.

Guy Cordon Makes Brief Stopover In Roseburg

Former Sen. Guy Cordon was in Roseburg Saturday for a short stop before continuing on to Portland from San Francisco. He is on the west coast on business.

Cordon's plane sat down at Medford and he was driven to Roseburg by a friend. He spent the afternoon and evening visiting Circuit Judge and Mrs. Carl E. Wimberly. He took the midnight train from Roseburg to Portland. He will be toasted at a testimonial banquet in Portland's Arlington Club Wednesday night.

Cordon told the Wimberlys he expects to be back in Washington, D.C., next Monday. He has set up a law office in the nation's capital. Cordon's wife did not accompany him.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Let a morsel of the breakfast eggs cling to your chin. It will proclaim to the world that, as a loyal Oregonian, you are observing January as the state's "Egg Month."