

U.S. TASK FORCE HEADS TOWARD FORMOSA



THE MARCH OF DIMES cakes found in Cleo's Bakery, 314 N. Jackson St., Roseburg, are helping the Douglas County MOD fund campaign considerably. Customers have already completely "iced" one with MOD coin contributions totaling \$25. Daryl Graves, 4, helped "ice" the second one this week. Watching Daryl is his mother, Mrs. Daryl Graves, 110 E. First Ave. N. Mrs. Graves has had polio. The disease attacked one of her legs. She and her husband have one other youngster, Diane, 6. The MOD cakes are the brain children of Mr. and Mrs. George Moats, former owners of the bakery. New owners Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schatz plan to continue the unique idea through the campaign. (Master Photo Studio picture.)

Interstate Freeway Through Douglas Co. Ready In 1957

By CHUCK GRELL
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The new Interstate Freeway, the relocated Highway 99, will be completed through the depth of Douglas County, probably sometime in 1957.

The State Highway Commission has approved the route of the big thoroughfare between Myrtle Creek and Canyonville, the last segment on which contracts haven't been let. Most of the highway design

also has been given the commission's okay.

When finished, the freeway will have cut roughly a half-mile from the distance between the north end of the present Myrtle Creek bridge and Fifth Street (Riddle Road) in Canyonville, according to Tom Edwards, Roseburg, division engineer for the State Highway Dept.

The route probably will be built on six major contracts—four grading and surfacing and two crossings of the South Umpqua River. The bridges are to be constructed at Missouri Bottom and near Ford's adjacent to the present bridge.

Plane Survivors Rescued At Sea Near Kwajalein

PEARL HARBOR—All seven hardy survivors of a twin-engine Navy amphibian forced down in the Central Pacific Wednesday night—rescued yesterday by the transport Fred C. Ainsworth—were en route to this big naval base today.

The Hawaiian Sea Frontier said the ship messaged tersely that "seven survivors in good condition" but gave no details of the rescue or comments from the survivors.

The Navy said the transport is due in Pearl Harbor at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

The men were picked up from an air-dropped life boat in the growing darkness at 6:50 p.m. (8:50 p.m. PST) about 665 miles north of Kwajalein. The plane was bound for Kwajalein from Johnston Island when it developed engine trouble.

Only several hours before the rescue the airmen had transferred to the 33-foot boat from their life raft. An Air Force search plane dropped the boat.

They were spotted by a search plane piloted by Coast Guard Lt. Martin W. Flesch after 16 planes and several surface ships crisscrossed a 45,000 square miles area from 400 to 600 miles west of Johnston Island.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

President Eisenhower's letter transmitting to the congress his annual economic reports contains this statement:

"Economic well-being sustains our whole economic life. . . The need of our times is for economic policies that—

"1. Recognize the proven sources of sustained economic growth and betterment.

"2. Respect the need of people for a sense of security as well as opportunity in our complex, industrialized society."

Wisely and soundly spoken, sir. But—

This year's national budget, as recently submitted, again forecasts a DEFICIT.

One of the proven economic principles is that whoever GOES ON SPENDING MORE THAN HE TAKES IN WILL GO BROKE.

How can the people have a sense of security as long as they must face the possibility that they will

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy this afternoon, to night and Sunday, with showers Sunday afternoon.

Highest temp. last 24 hours 45

Lowest temp. last 24 hours 42

Highest temp. Jan. 71

Lowest temp. Jan. 4

Precip. last 24 hours .14

Precip. from Jan. 1 2.92

Precip. from Sept. 1 12.51

Deficiency from Sept. 1 4.22

Sunset tonight 5:12 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7:38 a.m.

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President To Ask Defense Authority

Seeks Congress Support In Far East Strategy

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republican Leader Martin (Mass) said Saturday President Eisenhower will send Congress a message on Monday asking authority to define and hold a line of U.S. defenses in the Far East.

Martin made the announcement at the White House after a breakfast conference with the President. Martin told reporters he had assured Eisenhower of "overwhelming" Congressional approval of any request for authority to defend Formosa against Communist aggression.

Martin said he felt the President already had sufficient power to act without going to Congress. "But he wants the support of Congress so the world will know that in the defense of that area, America stands united," Martin said.

Martin declared there was "no doubt" Congress will be virtually unanimous in approving U. S. participation in the defense of Formosa.

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Chinese Offer To Allow Visits Said Propaganda

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Potter (R-Mich) said today proposed legislation to pay expenses of relatives to visit 17 Americans imprisoned in Red China would serve only to "flame the fires of vicious propaganda."

Such a bill was proposed Friday by Rep. Keating (R-N.Y.). Sen. Sparkman (D-Ala.) said he was thinking along similar lines.

So far the families of only two of the jailed Americans have accepted the Red Chinese offer to let them come.

Some others who hesitated mentioned the expense angle, and some obviously had taken notice of an Air Force warning that this government can not "assume any responsibility for your travel in Communist China, which must necessarily be undertaken at your own risk."

This referred to the fact that since this country has never recognized the Red Chinese regime, there are no U. S. diplomatic representatives in China who might be called on for help, should any of the visiting Americans run into trouble. No American has been authorized to visit China in the five years the Reds have held sway there.

At U.N. headquarters in New York, it was reported last night the U.N. was ready to make travel arrangements for the relatives, but a spokesman said the international organization has no funds to pay their expenses.

Round trip plane fare would come to nearly \$3,000. The American Red Cross stepped in yesterday and said it would provide up to the full amount of the trip cost to any of the next of kin who may be "authorized by the U. S. government and desire to go to Communist China." But need financial help to get there.

Keating said yesterday he will introduce legislation to pay "all reasonable transportation, subsistence and other expenses." Keating said it would be tragic for the men themselves, as well as their families, if anyone held back because of the expense.

Sparkman indicated he might offer similar legislation in the Senate if the executive departments could not defray the cost any other way.

New Regulations Will Now Cover Pinball Machines

Pinballs are on the way back in Roseburg. The city council last night, though, put a restricting regulation into effect — no free games or payoffs.

In a resolution, the council forbade any playing of machines "which pay off anything which is of value, which is illegal. . . under state and city constitutions and laws."

State law provides for confiscation of machines operated illegally. Acting City Atty. James Richmond opined that the clause precludes playing pinballs for anything but amusement — no free games. That also applies to punchboards dealing merchandise as prizes, he said.

A council committee is to meet with Richmond in the forming of amendments to Ordinance 1945, the one dealing with licensing and regulation of all coin-operated machines. The amendments are to set up a new fee schedule and new penalties for failure to comply with the ordinance.

The amendments were brought on in a motion by Councilman Sidney C. Moon, Jr., who recommended a minimum fine of \$100 and a maximum of \$300 for owners, possessors and players of gambling devices. Councilman Dr. Byron Woodruff said he thought the license fee schedule should be revised, and that was entered into Moon's motion. Violators now are fined \$50.

Moon said he felt that "we're starting on a fresh slate. Let's put some teeth in this."

The committee meeting with Richmond consists of Moon, Woodruff and Rudy Ritzman, appointed by Mayor Ernest Barker Jr.

The resolution limiting use of the machines won't go into effect until next Wednesday. City Manager George Farrell requested that the machines be taken out of the city and the resolution printed for distribution to coin machine licensees. Meanwhile, pinball operation is banned.

The proposed amendments probably will be ready for first reading at the next council meeting, Feb. 7.

BOARD TO MEET

The regular monthly board meeting of the Douglas County Chapter of American Red Cross will be held in the chapter rooms at the Army Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend.



RICHARD BOSS
State president

Richard Boss Now President Of OIE Assn.

Although he has only been in Oregon a year and a half, Richard Boss, Roseburg educator, was elected president of the Oregon Industrial Education Assn.

Boss was elected vice president of the organization at the statewide meeting last summer. Friday, he announced he had become president because C. S. Obitz of Eugene, retiring head, had taken a job in South America.

Boss came to Oregon a year and a half ago and took a job in the Roseburg school system. He is now Adult Education director of the system and head of the Trades and Industry program.

On a state-wide level, his boost to presidency puts him in charge of a survey being made to standardize salaries of all trade and industrial vocational education teachers.

He has called an executive meeting in Salem Feb. 6, and the next statewide conference is scheduled this summer, June 13 to 17, at Oregon State College.

Guesses Dime A Dozen On New First Citizen

Guesses are a dime a dozen, but only a selected few know who is going to be Roseburg's most honored junior citizen this year.

Members of the secret selection committee are tight-lipped. And it won't be until the end of the program tonight at the Roseburg Elks Club that the city's ninth junior first citizen will be known. "Even I don't know," said Jaycee President Don Hagedorn.

Featured speaker at the banquet tonight will be Al Kreis, Portland's junior first citizen of 1954. A banquet is scheduled at 7 p.m.

Drain Youth Is Jailed On Charge Of Larceny

An 18-year-old Drain youth, James Robert Lancaster, was lodged in the county jail Friday under \$1,000 bail, placed by Justice of the Peace Clarence Leonard, Drain.

Lancaster was taken to Judge Leonard's court following arrest by state police on a charge of larceny over \$75. Judge Leonard bound him over to the grand jury.

A 16-year-old Drain youth, arrested on a similar charge, was to be arraigned today.

Thornton States He Had Private Law Practice

SALEM (AP) — Democrat Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton, already the target of Republicans who want to prune his powers, admitted Friday that he did some private law practice involving the state after he became attorney general two years ago.

After Thornton ruled that state legislators and state officials could not carry on private law practice before state agencies, Sen. Warren McMinimie, Tillamook Republican and Thornton's fellow townsman, wrote Thornton a letter.

McMinimie asked if it was proper for the attorney general to handle private cases before the Industrial Accident Commission. McMinimie cited one case.

Thornton answered that he had handled a case or two before the state early in 1953, but said he didn't know at that time that it was unconstitutional. He said he made a mistake.

McMinimie also asked if it is proper for Thornton to keep a law office in Tillamook. Thornton answered that it's legal, but said he has no financial interest in the firm, having turned it over to a partner.

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Rebellion Over In Costa Rica; Parade Slated

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (AP) — A Costa Rican general staff spokesman said Saturday Costa Rica's rebellion is over. The government scheduled a victory parade for Sunday.

Col. Guillermo Salazar said all but about 150 of the rebels have fled to Nicaragua, from which President Jose Figueres says they came 11 days ago.

"It's all over but the mopping up," Salazar told reporters.

In Managua, Nicaragua's capital, however, the rebel radio declared more than 1,000 revolutionary soldiers remained on Costa Rican soil. The revolution is "still alive," it said. It appeared here, from what the rebel radio announcer said, that the insurgents hoped to adopt guerrilla tactics to carry on.

The broadcast claimed the rebels soon would have new planes with which to fight the four U.S. tanks the Costa Rican government bought from the United States, and which rebel wounded have claimed turned the tide against them.

President Anastasio Somoza, however, apparently wrote off the rebellion Friday night. He said the rebels should accept a truce if the Costa Rican government allows its exiles to return and promises free elections.

Doerner Attends Meeting Of County Clerks Assn.

County Clerk Charles Doerner returned from Salem Friday after attending a meeting of the legislative committee of the Oregon Assn. of County Clerks.

Clerks of Marion, Josephine, Jackson, Douglas, Lane and Multnomah counties compose the committee which makes recommendations to the Legislature in regard to association proposals.

Ships May Be Used To Save Nationalists

Destination Not Told; Chiang Planes Strike Back At Red Positions

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP) — A U.S. Navy fast carrier task force left Manila Bay early Saturday and was reported—but not confirmed officially—headed toward the troubled Formosa waters which swirled all week with hot air and sea action in Red China's biggest amphibious invasion of the Civil War.

Nationalist warplanes struck back last night and today at Yikiang-shan Island, invaded Tuesday by the Communists and won after bloody fighting against Nationalist guerrillas.

Yikiang-shan is 8 miles north of the Nationalist Tachen Islands which are 200 miles north of Formosa and 12 miles from the China mainland.

The 33,000-ton carriers Essex, Yorktown and Kearsarge pulled out of Manila Bay for what a Navy spokesman there termed exercises at a "regular operational area."

A well-placed naval source at the Pacific Fleet Headquarters in Pearl Harbor said it would be a "safe assumption" the carriers were headed for the Formosa area.

Each of the ships carry a 100-plane striking force.

The reported move to beef up U. S. 7th Fleet units charged with the defense of Formosa emphasized Washington reports the United States might aid in moving Nationalist troops off outpost islands threatened by Red invaders.

But Nationalist Premier O. K. Yui said Saturday his government is "firmly opposed" to withdrawal from any offshore islands.

The English-language newspaper China News said President Chiang Kai-shek's government has ordered every outpost island defended at all costs, just like Yikiang-shan.

Roseburg Fire Insurance Rate May Be Lowered

Roseburg property owners stand a chance of a possible dividend from the opening last spring of the west-side fire-substation and other recent improvements in the fire department.

An inspector from the Oregon Insurance Rating Bureau, R. V. Gorman, Portland is in the midst of a two-week inspection of fire fighting and suppression facilities in the city.

If his report shows enough in favor of the city, the fire insurance rating may be lowered from class 5 to class 6, meaning an approximate 10 per cent drop for overall fire insurance rates in the city.

Gorman said, though, that fire protection rates are based on population. While definite improvements have been shown here, he pointed out, the city has shown a steady growth. Last rating inspection here was made in 1949.

A number of other Oregon cities have current ratings in class 5, among them Medford, Grants Pass, North Bend and Coos Bay. Eugene, Salem and Astoria are rated class 4 and Portland class 2.

The improvements which Gorman cited were the new fire substation and purchase several months ago of the fire department's Kenworth pumper truck.

He also bases his reports on quality of the water system, fire personnel, fire record and other factors. Addition of reservoirs by the Oregon Water Corp. since 1949 is a point in the city's favor, he said.

Any consequence of the inspection will be known in about six months, and insurance agents probably will be first to receive the news. The bureau is a non-profit organization sponsored by fire underwriters.

This inspection was requested by city officials in August. Gorman started his survey Monday and will be here most of next week.

Ernest E. Reson Again In Contact With Law

Ernest Earl Reson, 59, Roseburg, was in jail again briefly Friday following his arrest by state police on a charge of operating a car in the left lane of traffic.

He pleaded innocent before District Judge Warren A. Woodruff, who set bail at \$100. Reson was released after posting bail.

Reson recently was acquitted by a circuit court jury of a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon. He is also on bail from two other charges pending against him, and while appealing to a drunk driving conviction in municipal court is being determined.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Eugene, like Roseburg, has on an ancient city hall in such decrepit condition that, according to the Register-Guard, sentiment is expressed for its replacement. Speaking for Roseburg: Misery loves company.

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