

EISENHOWER ACTS FOR FORMOSA DEFENSE

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March Of Dimes Slates Big Finale

Coffee Hour, Style Show To Hike Fund

Door-To-Door March By Mothers On Agenda Of Week's Activity

March of Dimes activities roared into a big finale week in Roseburg Monday.

Two special fund-raising events were scheduled for Tuesday. A coffee hour, between 2 and 4 p.m., has been announced for local restaurants.

And Roseburg High School sophomores invited everyone to come to their fashion show. It will be held in the high school at 7:30 p.m.

While students and restaurant owners worked to help the

Other Nations Should Aid U.S. In Formosa Defense, Senator Morse Declares

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Morse of Oregon said Saturday that if the Communists should attack Formosa, "under the present situation we certainly would have an obligation" to defend it.

Pro-Labor Bills Put Into Hopper Of Legislature

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.

SALEM (AP)—Organized labor asked Monday for a 35 per cent increase in industrial accident benefits as the Oregon Legislature returned for the third week of its session.

Sponsored by Rep. Gust Anderson, Republican, and Sen. Phil Brady, Democrat, the bills have the backing of the State Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations.

Labor also is asking that unemployment compensation benefits be increased, with a Senate Labor and Industries Committee hearing scheduled on this subject for Wednesday night.

The House Veterans Committee approved a bill to change the name of Armistice Day to Veterans Day. Rep. Alfred H. Corbett, Portland Democrat, announced he would sponsor a bill to make it illegal to lend voters registration lists. The Multnomah County registration lists were loaned last fall to Republican candidates, and the Democrats didn't like it.

Death Penalty Asked

Another new bill would provide the death penalty for the second conviction of peddling narcotics. It was sponsored by Rep. Joe Rogers, Independence.

The House Livestock Committee introduced a measure to repeal all laws regulating meats imported from foreign countries. The committee said it is impossible to administer these laws.

A bill to have the Supreme Court clerk elected by the people was submitted by Rep. G. D. Gleason, Portland Democrat. The clerk now is appointed by the Supreme Court.

Another new bill provides that the burning of any building should be considered at least second degree arson. This, in effect, increases the penalties for setting buildings afire.

Three Douglas County GIs Return From Korea

Three Douglas County men were aboard the transport Gen. John Pope which was scheduled to dock from the Far East today at Seattle.

They are: Cpl. Calvin D. Clark, Myrtle Creek; Sgt. Herbert L. Kelly, Roseburg; and Pfc. Robert J. van Doren, Riddle.

The ship had the 500,000th veteran to arrive at the Seattle port from the Far East since the beginning of the rotation program in 1951. It also had on board the millionth man to be processed for return to the United States through the Inchon replacement depot in Korea.

Prisoners' Kin Mull Red China's Bid

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Relatives of Americans jailed by Red China still were pondering today the tough question of whether to accept the Communists' invitation to make the long journey to visit the prisoners.

At least one family had decided definitely to make the trip.

The families were informed Sunday they can send weekly parcels of up to \$50 valuation to the men. A spokesman for Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks announced Sunday that parcels have been going to some of about 50 Americans held under house arrest in Peking on charges of spying.

There was no definite information, however, on how many have been allowed through the American embargo on exports to Red China.

Permission was first granted to send the parcels last July, the spokesman said, in care of the Chinese Red Cross in Peking. They may contain food, toilet articles, civilian clothing and drugs in dosage form.

The U.S. State Department has advised that, since it has no diplomatic relations with Red China, it cannot guarantee the safety of any American making the trip.

Move Begins To Finance Trip Of Prisoners' Kin

A movement developed Monday to raise funds by popular subscription to enable relatives to visit

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Declaration Of U.S. 'Readiness To Fight' Urged On Congress

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower Monday asked Congress to declare "our readiness to fight" to keep Formosa out of Red hands and "to engage in whatever operations may be required to carry out that purpose."

In a special message, the President said "our purpose is peace" but that Red Chinese threats already pose a "serious danger to this country's security" and indeed to the peace of the world.

A declaration from Congress, Eisenhower said, "will reduce the possibility that the Chinese Communists, misjudging our firm purpose and national unity, might be disposed to challenge the position of the United States, and precipitate a major crisis which even they would neither anticipate nor desire."

Congress Ready To Give Eisenhower Authority To Battle Chinese Reds

WASHINGTON (AP)—Congress gave an overwhelmingly favorable reception Monday to President Eisenhower's call for spelled out authority to fight if necessary to defend Formosa and the Pescadores from Red Chinese attack.

Some repeated a previously expressed belief that the President already had authority to act without seeking congressional approval.

None among those who commented early expressed a word of opposition.

Sen. Clements of Kentucky, the acting Democratic leader, said the resolution to carry out the President's proposal will be expedited as much as Senate rules will permit.

He forecast early congressional approval, adding that "Congress has never failed to back up any President on anything that is required for the security of the Nation."

Sen. Knowland of California, the Republican leader, said: "The Presidential message drawing a line in the Pacific beyond which we would not back up in the face of Chinese Communist pressure was necessary unless we were to see all of Asia go down under the Communist regime."

"I think the President's proposal will have the overwhelming support of the Congress and the American people."

House Speaker Rayburn was among those who said the President had power to act without going to Congress first. But Rayburn added:

"If he wants it done this way, it will be done this way, and promptly."

Ex-Marine, In Victim's Car, Faces Murder Quiz

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP)—A young ex-Marine, who claims to be the son of a former state senator in Maine, has been booked here for investigation of murder in the desert slaying of an Air Force sergeant.

Leland B. Currier Jr., 22, was arrested at Bakersfield, Calif., Saturday, California highway patrolmen said. He was driving a bloodstained car belonging to Sgt. Hollie Prestage, 34, whose bullet-riddled body was found on the desert near Las Vegas Saturday morning.

Capt. James A. Bryant of the California highway patrol said Currier denied he shot Prestage but blamed it on a girl friend, whose name he refused to disclose. Police were unable to find any clues linking a girl to the shooting.

Currier gave his home as Littlefield, Maine, and said his father had served a term in the State Senate of Maine.

Days Creek MOD Plans Include Game, March

March of Dimes campaigners at Days Creek have two programs planned as polo benefits this month, according to Mrs. Jean Yoder, N.R. correspondent.

Wednesday night, the Days Creek and Canyonville town teams will engage in a basketball game in the Days Creek School gym. Admission will be by donation. The game will start at 8 p.m.

At 7 p.m. Wednesday, a mothers' march organizational meeting will be held in room 9 at the high school. Mrs. Joe Harvey is mothers' march chairman for Days Creek, and she also arranged for the basketball game.

The mothers' march will be held Jan. 31 between 6:15 and 7:15 p.m. Those who wish to donate are asked to leave their porchlights burning during that hour.

Bleeding Victim Dies After 18 Days' Ordeal

DURHAM, N.C. (AP)—Willie Cooke, 31-year-old "bleeder" who had bled since a tooth extraction Jan. 6, died Monday.

Cooke was a hemophiliac—a person whose blood will not clot normally.

His condition became "very serious" Sunday at Duke Hospital here after he had been given 235 pints of blood—221 pints of whole blood and 14 pints of plasma.

Cancer, Then Fire, Take Parents Of Child, Aged 6

DALLAS (AP)—Six-year-old Cheryl Hambrick faced life alone today.

Thursday she and her father attended funeral services for her mother, who died of cancer. Yesterday her father Morgan Hambrick, 32, jobless grocery clerk, died trapped in his burning house.

The President made it plain that defense of Formosa might require hitting the Red Chinese before they left their home ports.

He said this country must be prepared to:

1. Help the Chinese Nationalists redevelop and consolidate their forces now scattered over many smaller islands off Red China's shores; and

2. "Be alert to any concentration or employment of Chinese Communist forces obviously undertaken to facilitate attack upon Formosa, and be prepared to take appropriate military action."

Eisenhower said the United States and all free nations have a common interest that Formosa and the Pescadores Islands should not fall into Communist hands.

He did not say specifically which other islands the United States might defend, on the basis of need to hold them for the defense of Formosa and the Pescadores, but he called Quemoy Island "one of the natural approaches to Formosa."

Quemoy is at the entrance to the vital mainland harbor city of Amoy and as far back as last September was brought under heavy Red artillery fire.

The President said he was not announcing any new policy but was seeking mainly to clarify present policy and "to unite in its application."

The President said he believed the "three aspects" of the present situation might be temporarily in character "if resolutely faced."

Wants U.N. Intervention

And he coupled with his request a renewed expression of hope for

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7th Fleet Ready To Act At Washington's Order

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—Vice Adm. Alfred M. Pride today expressed confidence his U.S. 7th Fleet could cope with any eventualities if called upon to evacuate Chinese Nationalist forces from the Tachen Islands, apparent target of Red conquest.

He indicated that the fleet—standing "at the ready" for the evacuation and to protect other offshore islands, if so ordered—includes four large carriers, the Essex, Yorktown, Kearsarge and Wasp.

Peiping radio, meanwhile, scotched the idea of a possible cease-fire by charging in a broadcast that the United States was plotting to "interfere in the domestic affairs of China, and that Formosa" would have been liberated years ago "if it had not been for the 7th Fleet."

The broadcast said a U.N. cease-fire request would "in effect mean asking the Chinese people to recognize the 'legality' of the United States occupation of Chinese territory, Taiwan."

It asserted that the only way to ease tension in the area was to withdraw the U.S. 7th Fleet from Formosa's waters.

Portland Dope Raid Produces 13 Arrests

PORTLAND (AP)—Thirteen persons were arrested in Portland Saturday night and early Sunday in what city and federal narcotics agents said was roundup of suspected dope users and peddlers.

Jack M. Merrill, agent in charge of the Portland office of the U.S. Narcotics Bureau, and Portland Police Chief Jim Purcell Jr., were in charge of the raid.

Purcell suffered a cut hand and another officer was struck in the face as they arrested Jim Able, 32, who was accused of peddling heroin.

TWO AUTOS DAMAGED

Two automobiles received minor damage Sunday morning when they collided at the intersection of West First Street and West First Avenue North. They were driven by Clifford Pearson, 40, of 1301 W. First St., and Robert Rhodes, 32, of 222 W. First Ave. N., according to city police. No citations were written. Both drivers stated cars parked near the intersection blocked their view.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Red China having invited relatives of the 11 imprisoned American airmen to visit them, perhaps her kind-hearted brothers-under-the-skin, the Russians, will extend a like invitation to the kin of Yankee tolling in Soviet slave labor camps.



FIRST CITIZEN NAMED—Glenn Hunter, Riverside School scoutmaster, Saturday night was selected as Roseburg's first junior citizen for 1954. He is presented the award by Dr. V. J. Anderson, right, 1953 first citizen. Selection was made by anonymous judges. (Staff photo).

Scoutmaster Glenn Hunter Receives Accolade Of City's Junior First Citizen Of 1954

One of the most outstanding local awards in citizenship achievement Saturday night went to a hard-working scoutmaster, who spends an average of 10 hours each week with his boys.

Glenn Hunter, scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 133 and adviser to Explorer Post 133, was named Roseburg's junior first citizen for 1954 at the annual Junior Chamber of Commerce awards banquet at Elks ballroom.

The selection obviously floored the recipient, who had been attracted to the affair under the pretense that he would act, as usual, in the line of duty. He had been asked to lead diners in the pledge of allegiance, and had two of his scouts with him to bear the flag.

Hunter, a pondman for Martin Bros. Box Co., Oakland, isn't a member of the Jaycees. He and Mrs. Hunter, who live at Roseburg, have four children—two sons and two daughters.

Dr. V. J. Anderson, 1953's first junior citizen explained why the award was made:

1. The Riverside PTA scouting program had lagged until about four years ago. Then Hunter took charge and built one of the best units now in the Douglas Fir District.

2. Hunter was in charge of the Boy Scout Camporee last spring at the Veterans Hospital grounds, and it was termed the most successful of such events yet.

3. He was leader of the district's delegation to the national Scout Jamboree at Santa Ana, Calif., a year ago.

4. He spends the above-mentioned 10 hours a week with his Scouts. He's been at it for four years, and is holder of the Scoutmaster's Key in recognition of completion of a three-year course in training and leadership as a scoutmaster.

In addition, Hunter has led his boys on fund-raising drives. The Scouts have participated in the March of Dimes and other appeals. Hunter also has had members of his troop and post at the Taft Mt. Winter Recreation Area, where they have aided in improvements and learned the winter sports.

Last spring and summer, he also led Roseburg work parties to assist in development of the Scout's Camp Silteos on Silteos Lake on the coast.

Dr. Anderson presented the award.

Others Receive Honors

Other winners, all for achievements within the club, were: Don Hagedorn, this year's president. Sidney Moon Jr. presented him with the Key Man award as the "most valuable" member of the chapter.

Charley Blanks. His work as rodeo parade chairman and in other

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

United Nations (at its fabulous New York headquarters) let an 18-year-old boy, the last, it announced that Premier Chou En-lai (he's supposed to pronounce it Joe Un-LYE) has agreed to let relatives visit 17 Americans who are now held in jail in communist China.

The agreement, the announcement says, was reached during the recent "talks" between UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld and red China's premier. The talks were held in Peking.

The statement adds that the red Chinese leader has indicated that

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy with showers to night. Partly cloudy Tuesday.
Highest temp. last 24 hours 58
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 32
Highest temp. any Jan. 71
Lowest temp. any Jan. 4
Precip. last 24 hours .06
Precip. from Jan. 1 2.93
Precip. from Sept. 1 12.52
Deficiency from Sept. 1 4.51
Sunset tonight 5:14 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:36 a.m.

THEFTS REPORTED

Theft of a box containing \$43 worth of tools from his logging truck was reported to Roseburg police Sunday afternoon by R. E. Olinger, 1281 Balsam St. He said it was taken sometime last week. Gene Perry, 2204 N. Stephens St., said a woman's coat was stolen from his automobile Saturday night while the car was parked near Trailways Bus Depot. Value of the coat, he said, was about \$25.

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