

Hundreds Dead In Philippine Quake



CLAY P. MOODY (right), Southern Pacific freight agent, is shown receiving handshake and gift from S. T. Phillips of Portland, station supervisor, Thursday when Moody retired from active service. Moody has been with the company 38 years, in Roseburg since 1950. In center is Trainmaster Ted Bernard who took part in the celebration for Moody. (Paul Jenkins photo).

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Advisory Group Opposes Legislation

School Issues To Be Protested At State Hearing

A law which would in effect establish a "quorum" of legal voters for school district bond elections has some merit. On the other hand, it is foreign to American principles of free choice. Because it would apply only to school districts and not to other voting units it would be discriminatory.

Such were the conclusions reached at an advisory group meeting held Thursday by the board of directors of the Roseburg School District.

The meeting was called to consider four legislative measures which would place restrictions around school bond elections. Hearings on the bills are being held in Salem today. Representatives from Douglas County school districts are appearing in opposition to each of the four proposals.

The Roseburg School Board invited an advisory group to meet with it at a no-host luncheon. Included in the group were Robert Caley, chairman of the AFL-CIO Central Labor Council; W. L. Duncan, Building Trades Council; Ray Puckett, Kiwanis; Leroy Hatt, Rotary; Don Hagedorn and Dr. V. J. Anderson, Junior Chamber of Commerce; Harold J. Hickerson, Chamber of Commerce; Mayor Ernest Barker; Charles V. Stanton, News-Review editor; Supt. William Bromley and Director Louis Fullerton, Dillard School District; County School Supt. Kenneth Barrebourg; and Roseburg school officials M. C. Deller and Dr. Marvin (Continued On Page 2 Col. 7)



ROBERT L. MCCORMICK
... noted editor passes

CHICAGO (AP) — Col. Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of The Chicago Tribune and one of the nation's most prominent newspaper executives, died Friday.

McCormick, who was 74, died in his sleep at 2:47 a.m. at his farm home near suburban Wheaton. Among those at his bedside were his widow and his stepdaughter.

The veteran colorful newspaper publisher had been ailing since April 1953 when he suffered an attack of pneumonia after returning from a European trip.

He underwent an abdominal operation for adhesions last Jan. 19 and a week later went to his home in Florida. However, his condition became worse and he returned to a Chicago hospital. No further operation was advised and he returned to his farm home March 20.

The gravity of a circulatory ailment from which McCormick suffered, together with a rapid decline in his liver function, made him unable to eat since he returned home. His doctor said death came peacefully.

East Germany Clamps Big Tax On Truck Traffic

BERLIN (AP) — Communist East Germany put an eight million dollar a year tax raise into effect Friday on truck traffic between Red-encircled West Berlin and West Germany.

A rush of truckers trying to make the 110-mile run through the Soviet Zone before the midnight deadline piled up for miles at either end of the road Thursday night. Nine hours later police reported traffic was flowing smoothly.

The new levies boost taxes as high as 230 marks (\$56.36) for a roundtrip truck haul between Berlin and West Germany. The East German Communists said the money is needed to keep the highway in repair.

West Berlin officials called it an economic blockade in retaliation for West German ratification of the Paris pacts on German rearmament.

The East German Communists indicated Friday, however, they were ready to discuss the tax question with Bonn officials.

U. S. officials in Washington said Thursday night that the Western Allies would not be blackmailed into paying stiff highway taxes to the Reds. A State Department announcement said Allied representatives were talking over "what measures may prove necessary to assure the flow of goods to and from the city of Berlin."

100 Volunteers To Aid Red Cross Fund Campaign

More than 100 women have volunteered to help the Douglas County Red Cross in its solicitation for funds in the Roseburg residential area.

Many are now hard at work reports residential chairman Mrs. Walker Brittle. The chairman hopes to complete solicitation within 10 days. Friday she requested that persons who have not yet picked up supplies to aid them do so as soon as possible. Membership cards, etc., may be procured at county headquarters in the Roseburg Armory.

Mrs. Brittle said she was grateful to all who were helping. "What we need are more people," she said. "We need a lot of people doing little jobs to make this drive go."

She cited 17 women for outstanding service and said without their help she could not have accomplished the work of organizing the residential drive.

Those cited are Mrs. Eldon Howard, Mrs. Marilyn Hornbuckle, Mrs. John Loosley, Mrs. Bud Sporer, Mrs. O. J. Felt, Mrs. Jack Cummings, Mrs. Don Caskey, Mrs. Leland Wimberly, Mrs. Sam Kendall, Mrs. William Anderson, Mrs. Charles Hart, Mrs. John Robinson, Mrs. Bill Tipton, Mrs. Robert Shewbert, Mrs. Earl Crain, Mrs. Wayne Harris and Mrs. Ward Cottrell.

Two BLM Foresters Shifted From District

Two foresters have been transferred out of the Roseburg district office of the Bureau of Land Management, according to Bud Viadmirroff, assistant to the district forester here.

Lorin Welker has been transferred from the local office to the forest district at Redding, Calif., to be assistant to the district forester. Edwin Zaidlicz, formerly forester for the districts north unit, has been shifted to the state office in Portland, where he will be a staff forester in the forest management department.

Committee To Receive City Budget Next Week

The Roseburg city budget will be submitted to the City Budget Committee for study and possible revisions sometime next week, according to City Manager George Farrell.

The budget has been studied by the City Council in two meetings the past two weeks. Farrell explained the council had looked over the proposed expenditures so members will be able to explain reasons for items to their constituents.

Irving School District Officially Abolished

IRVING, Tex. (AP) — The vote to abolish the independent school district at Irving, Tex., was officially approved Friday.

A row between the school board and teachers resulted in the election. The suburban community was split in half over the controversy.

Schools were running normally and will continue to do so. They will be run by the common school district of Dallas County.



DANIEL F. COFFEL
... early hospital employee

Barbara Gaca's Raped, Beaten Body Located

DETROIT (AP) — Michigan police today worked on their first solid clues in the kidnapping and sex murder of 7-year-old Barbara Gaca.

Plaster moulds were made of fresh tire tracks and footprints which led to the desolate garbage dump at the end of a lovers' lane where the school girl's mutilated body was found Thursday. The dump was in suburban Oakland County, 23 miles from her home.

The child, who had been missing a week, had been raped, beaten, strangled to death and then knifed 15 times.

Before the body was found, police had checked out more than 600 tips without success.

Pathologist Richard E. Olsen, of Pontiac, said the girl probably died March 24, the day she went off to school, her rosary and homework in her hand. He said the frenzied knife occurred after death.

Led to the morgue to identify his daughter, grief-stricken Frank Gaca Jr., a Detroit postman, stayed 90 seconds and burst from the room, his face twisted in agony. "I only hope she didn't suffer," he whispered.

The child's body, clad only in a cotton dress, was discovered when Rufus Zamora, 28, a railroad section hand, spotted the Army blanket in which it was wrapped.

Six feet away were Barbara's blue snow suit and panties. Her pretty print dress was blood red.

Senate Approves W. German Arms

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Friday approved the German rearmament treaties by an overwhelming vote.

The twin pacts, which Secretary of State Dulles said will give West European unity, an "irreversible Republic of West Germany, bring her into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and provide for a brand new 12-division German army."

East Germany is occupied by the Soviet Union.

The historic Senate action, deliberately delayed until France and Germany had approved the treaties, culminates a 5-year U.S. effort to array Germany's potential military power on the side of the West in the cold war against Russia.

Roseburg City Library Has Assistant Librarian

The Roseburg City Library has a new assistant librarian today.

Or rather, it has an assistant who has returned to the job she once held. She is Evelyn Addison. She replaces Mrs. Stan Olson, who has resigned as assistant effective today.

Mrs. Olson served as assistant librarian since Jan. 2, 1953.

Sanitarian Warns Against Use Of Vaporizing Device For Insecticide Purposes

A Douglas County sanitarian is concerned about possible dangers to human health from electric vaporizing devices for insecticides. Many of the county's 180 restaurants now use them.

Sanitarian J. T. Robinson said Thursday letters were being mailed next week to restaurant operators "requesting their discontinuance of the devices."

The devices have been termed health hazards in a report by the Council of Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Assn., Robinson said. One of the pesticides especially cited is Lindane.

Lindane comes in pellet or white crystal form "with an odor rarely distinguishable. Most people are unable to tell it's around, the sanitarian added.

Robinson said it was harmful to persons working where it was used as a pesticide. And he said there was an accident danger involving children. The pesticide may be mistaken for candy or sugar.

He hasn't heard of anyone in Douglas County being harmed by Lindane, he added, but "hopes to stop its use before harm comes."

Two true example cases were cited by him from the AMA report. (1) An 18-month-old girl ate approximately one and one-half pellets and went into convulsions immediately; (2) four children drank

Tremors Last Eight Hours, Damage High

Reports Still Vague, But 164 Deaths Said Definitely Confirmed

MANILA (AP) — Violent earthquakes rocked the southern Philippines Friday, causing possibly hundreds of deaths and untold damage.

The Philippine News Service reported "hundreds dead or missing" in the Tugaya district alone of Lanao Province. Earlier PNS said there were 164 confirmed deaths in four districts of that province.

For nearly eight hours the earth trembled and shook. The ground split open. Sand and hot water were reported issuing from cracks in the ground. Some houses toppled into Lake Lanao.

Hardest hit was the palm-tree-studded belt of northwestern Mindanao, second largest island in the archipelago. The first heavy shock hit the area at 2:15 a.m. Thereafter a chain reaction of tremors set in, heaving the earth on Panay, Negros, Samar, Cebu, Leyte and Bohol islands.

The Philippines Red Cross said the death toll appeared largest at Lake Lanao on Mindanao. Coastal towns to the west were devastated. Houses crumpled, churches collapsed and the power failed.

Capt. Angelo Cruz, public relations officer of the 4th Military Area, embracing Mindanao, reported there were 164 confirmed dead in Lanao province and 15 missing.

A Philippine News Service dispatch from Iligan reported earth fissures measuring as wide as a foot in some places. The tremors caused landslides.

The news service said 10 persons were hurt at Iligan and a waterfront office building there slid into the sea.

Jelke Convicted Of Vice Charges; Sentence Pends

NEW YORK (AP)—Minot F. (Mick) Jelke, handsome young oenomarginator, was convicted today for the second time on cafe society vice charges.

He could draw up to 40 years in prison. Sentencing was set for April 28. Two years ago he was sentenced to three to six years on his first conviction, which was reversed on appeal.

Jelke was continued free in \$45,000 bail after the jury of 10 men and two women reported its guilty verdict at 1:16 a.m. after more than 10 hours deliberation.

He was convicted on two counts of compulsory prostitution, the legal term for the offense. The charges consisted of:

1. "Enticing, inducing and procuring" Pat Ward, now 21, to lead the life of a prostitute.
2. Attempting to do the same with Marguerite Cordova, 26, former night club henchman.

Chief defense counsel George Washington Herz told newsmen he would not discuss possibility of an appeal at this time.

Jelke, who had paced the court corridors during the jury's deliberation, paced as the verdict was announced. The 25-year-old playboy was visibly shaken as he stood at the defense table facing the jurors. He did not take the witness stand at either trial.

He sighed deeply and bit his lips after the verdict was announced. His cheek muscles twitched. He was far from the debonair man-about-town who had spent hundreds of thousands as he stood at the defense table facing the jurors. He did not take the witness stand at either trial.

The prosecution contended he got into the vice racket—taking \$10,000 to \$15,000 from Miss Ward while living with her for five months in 1951 and 1952—to supplement gifts from his family and help tide him over until he came into his millions.

Stassen Relents On Investigations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Foreign Aid Chief Harold E. Stassen Friday backed away from a head-on clash with the Senate investigations subcommittee over rights of its staff to question his employees.

Stassen's Foreign Operations Administration sent three employees to the subcommittee headquarters with announced orders to "answer all questions" put by the staff although only Thursday night an FOA spokesman had said they would not show up.

The three were half an hour late and brought along a private attorney. Their delay in showing up stirred speculation as to whether there had been intervention in the row by the White House or senators close to Stassen.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

A Wayne University professor says the idea that fish is good brain food is a fallacy. What a shock this must be to the sub-intelligentsia whose chief item of diet is whale meat.

Morse Asks Senate Action Against Defending Islands

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Morse (D-Ore) asked Friday that Congress go on record as opposing use of American military forces for defense of Quemoy and the Matsus.

Morse offered a resolution to this effect in the midst of a flurry of Senate debate which stemmed in part from President Eisenhower's White House conference Thursday with Senate leaders.

Various senators who attended the White House session said no decision had been reached as to whether U.S. forces would be employed in event the Chinese Communists attempt to wrest the offshore islands from the Chinese Nationalists.

Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis) began the debate by saying Eisenhower is adopting a "deadly dangerous" attitude in refusing to say whether the United States will defend the islands.

McCarthy said the President "apparently told some members of Congress that our reaction would depend on 'the nature and strength' of a Communist attack."

McCarthy was not among those invited to the White House.

"I am completely bewildered by the administration's attitude," McCarthy said. "It is deadly dangerous and utterly inexplicable."

Immediately after McCarthy spoke, Morse proposed his resolution which would state as the policy of Congress that Eisenhower should not use military force to defend the offshore islands.

Morse, who cast one of two votes against the defend-Formosa resolution last month, told the Senate that McCarthy had very clearly stalled he danger to the American people in the present policy.

Morse's proposal would amend the defend-Formosa resolution by stating that it "shall not be construed to authorize the President to employ any of the armed forces of the United States in military operations concerning the Matsus and Quemoy Islands."

Instead, Morse's resolution states, this nation should cooperate with the Nationalist Chinese in an evacuation of the islands lying close to the China mainland.

Sensors who attended the session with the President Thursday—described in advance as for the purpose of a general briefing on the foreign situation—were generally unwilling to quote Eisenhower directly. Custom frowns on it.

However, several said they got the impression that Eisenhower (A) does not expect any early aggressive move by the Red Chinese, and (B) does not believe Russia wants a war in the Far East now.

Sen. George (D-Ga), chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that was his impression.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

That city is fortunate that has a hotel that is the center of the life of the town, that is rooted in the soil of the country in which both the hotel and the city are located, where everybody goes for every civic purpose, that is a show place for the community and for the entire area in which the community is located.

Such a hotel is La Fonda, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. It is located at a corner of the ancient plaza that is overlooked by the three and a half centuries old Governor's Palace that was built in 1610. Its architecture is the Spanish New Mexico. Its furnishings are the characteristic furnishings of that glamorous period of the American Southwest.

The pictures on its walls are by local artists—Santa Fe has a very considerable art colony of its own. On the walls of a covered patio that is one of its main entrances is a map of the old Santa Fe trail. Its kitchens produce and serve the native foods of the region. In one corner of the lobby is a store where authentic handicrafts of the Southwest—Indian jewelry, Indian blankets, Indian dolls, the new casual clothes that are being produced by gifted designers who have settled in the Santa Fe country and other native products of the

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The Weather

Scattered showers with some clearing periods tonight. Partly cloudy and warmer Saturday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours — 64
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 40
Highest temp. any April — 76
Lowest temp. any April — 25
Precip. last 24 hours — .09
Precip. from April 1 — .09
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 18.26
Deficiency from Sept. 1 — 6.59

Sunset tonight, 6:39 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:54 a.m.