Grocery Clerks Labor Hearing Here Recessed

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covering the six stores, there will be no need for another hearing. If not, a hearing will be held in Roseburg next Tuesday, Wiener said.

There was an attempt to reach agreement on a new petition at the Tuesday hearing, but Dan Parker, representing Retail Clerks Union Local 201, indicated he was not ready to consider it.

Besides Hanna and Parker, on hand to discuss the problem were John H. Butler and E. R. Johnson, representing Safeway Stores, Inc. All are expected to attend the Portland meeting. Parker, Butler and Johnson live there.

H. E. Carlson of Portland, representing the Roseburg Independent Grocery Committee, also is to attend the meeting. The independent grocers were not represented Tuesday.

If agreement is reached today at Portland, an election will be held in Roseburg about Feb. 1 to determine the desire of employes as to union representation.

The independents, Safeway, teamsters and retail clerks must all agree to the election, or else another hearing will be necessary to determine if an election is justified. Butler said Safeway and the independents want to be bound by group action in any election.

Under the request by the teamsters, meatcutters and supervisory personnel, including relief managers, would not be involved. Hanna and Parker were asked by the NLRB officer to estimate the number of employes involved, but both declined to do so until today's meeting.

Much of Tuesday's session was "off the record" while immediate action was being determined. Official portions were tape-recorded.

Court Shrugs Off Claims Of Elmer Metzger

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to consider to possibly replace him as commissioner.

On Saturday, a Sutherlin man, John F. Buchanan, asked for a standing vote on a motion declaring the committee's confidence in Judge Hill. The motion won by an overwhelming majority.

Metzger, as he was quoted, said the standing vote was "unfortunate" and declared that he "couldn't let it go unchallenged."

The ex-commissioner said he would "have more to say at a later time." The statement took only a couple of minutes to read.

Grant called Gen. Curtis T. Beecher, county party chairman, to comment on the statement. Beecher's voice was heard on the program.

Beecher refuted the charge that the committee is dominated by a minority and claimed that a majority of precinct officers from throughout the county were present at the meeting.

The party chairman said the central committee wouldn't go along with anyone which it believed "is guilty of malfeasance in office."

"If Metzger has charges he can prove," Beecher said, "let's bring them out in the open."

Metzger named the road department's maintenance supervisor, Durward Owens and alleged that Owens had made "errors" in keeping department records and accused him of "mismanagement."

Today, Owens said he'd let the court answer for him, and again there was no comment from the court.

Clothes Donated To Be Auctioned As School Benefit

Mrs. Alice Johnson, president of the Roseburg Assn. for Retarded Children reported Monday that Michael Yost, manager of Herman's Men's store in Roseburg, had donated 25 suits of mens' clothes to the association.

Mrs. Johnson said the suits will be auctioned sometime during the early part of January to raise funds for wages of a new teacher at the Robin Dale School for mentally retarded children in Roseburg. She asked for any other donations which may be auctioned for that purpose also. She asked that anyone with donations call her at OR 3-5115.

Mrs. Johnson explained the school has reached its capacity for the single teacher now working. She said another was necessary to allow a separation of the older children from the younger.

The school was just officially named last week. It is named after Robin Rogers and Dale Evans, daughter and wife, respectively, of movie cowboy Roy Rogers. Robin died recently and a book about the child by Dale Evans is bringing in royalties to be given to the National Assn. for Retarded Children.

One Ship Sunk, Another Missing In Stormy Seas

LONDON (AP) — One ship was sunk and several were in distress Wednesday in storm seas around Britain. Fresh gale warnings went to all vessels in waters off northeastern Europe.

There was no report of loss of life.

The British motor vessel Victoria City sank off the island of Terschelling early Wednesday after colliding with the Italian ship Valentina Bibolini. The crew of the 6,162-ton Victoria City was taken aboard the Vorlowo, a Polish trawler. The heavily damaged Valentina Bibolini was being towed to Emden.

Searchers found the British fishing vessel Progress which had been missing 48 hours. It was disabled just off the English east coast, its five crewmen still aboard. It was taken in tow.

Funeral Services Held For Alexander Infant

Graveside funeral services for Bobbie Neal Alexander, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Alexander of Winston, were held this afternoon at Roseburg Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Rinke A. Feenstra of the Dillard Methodist Church officiated.

Surviving besides the parents are a sister, Marilyn Louise; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Alexander of Lockburg, Ark., and maternal grandfather, Will A. Kitchen of Umpire, Ark.

Arrangements were handled by Long & Orr Mortuary, Roseburg.

FIRE DAMAGES HOME

West Side Station firemen were called out Tuesday to combat a fire around a flue in the Ray Olson residence at 817 Melrose Rd., according to Chief W. E. Mills. Damage was estimated at $100.

Defendant Favored In Damage Suit For Fatal Injury

A circuit court jury Tuesday evening found for the defendant in a $20,000 damage suit brought by the administrator of the estate of an 11-year-old Reedsport girl killed in an automobile accident on the Loon Lake Road Nov. 21, 1954.

The verdict cleared James Davis of negligence in the accident. The suit was brought by Douglas R. Spencer, Eugene attorney and administrator of the estate of Judy Ann Lentz, one of three persons killed in the accident.

The plaintiff tried to establish that Davis had forced a station wagon, driven by the girl's father, Willard, 36, from the road and down a 200-foot drop-off into Mill Creek.

Lentz and Mrs. John Mills, both of Reedsport, also died in the accident.

Meredith Early, 11, and Peggy Lentz, 11, testified for the plaintiff. They survived the accident, though both were hospitalized with serious injuries for a time.

John Anderson, Loon Lake, was the key witness for the defense. He testified he had driven up to the scene just after the accident occurred, and he described what he saw.

The verdict came after the second day of the trial. The plaintiff had asked the maximum allowed by state law in the collection of damages for an estate.

Evans To Resign Post As Glide Superintendent

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board that he would remain in the position through September. He will assist in the hiring of new teachers and supervision of construction of a junior high school for the district, if voters approve the building in February.

Mrs. Selby said no decision was expected for some time in the selection of a new superintendent to replace Evans. Board members have instructed him to receive applications from experienced administrators.

Supt. Evans has been associated with the district since the fall of 1951. During the five years, the district enrollment has grown from 540 to 865. The current building projects will bring the total cost of new buildings and capital improvements during the period to more than a million dollars. The Glide district, geographically, is the largest in the state. It serves an area of 1,200 square miles.

Supt. Evans Wednesday emphasized that he "has enjoyed the ultimate in support and cooperation from the voters, school board, community organizations and the professional staff of the district." He added that his "greatest pleasure" in working at Glide had been observance of the steady improvement of the teaching staff. Supt. Evans added that instructor turnover in the district was now one of the lowest in Oregon.

The young administrator graduated from Oregon State College in 1947. His first position was as superintendent-teacher of the Sisters district in 1948-50. He returned to school in 1950, and one year later had earned his master's degree in educational administration at the University of Oregon. He is married and has two children.

Dr. Otto John Undergoes Severe Questioning

BONN, Germany (AP) — Chancellor Adenauer and his Cabinet Wednesday discussed the sensational return to West Germany of former intelligence chief Otto John.

An Interior Ministry spokesman said John, meanwhile, was still under interrogation here. He said the questioning could last four or five days.

"John is giving information voluntarily," he said. "There has been nothing revealed so far that would justify the filing of any charges against him."

Nothing of what John was telling was announced. There was no confirmation of the report by a West German news agency that he had said a West Berlin physician, Dr. Wolfgang Wohlgemuth, had drugged him and kidnaped him from West Berlin.

Wohlgemuth left West Berlin with John and still is in East Germany.

Interior Minister Gerhard Schroeder, John's boss when the turncoat headed the West German counterespionage setup, reported to the Cabinet on John's surprising return to the West.

Storm-Tossed Ship Rescued

HALIFAX, N.S. (AP) — One storm tossed ship was towed into port Wednesday, another was being hauled to St. John's, Nfld., and a tug was speeding to the side of a third.

The 50-foot fishing boat Emma Marie was towed into her home port at Shelburne by another fishing craft. The Emma Marie asked for aid Tuesday when her engines went dead.

The tug Foundation Frances meanwhile sped toward the disabled and battered 6,219-ton British freighter Lord Church, about 580 miles southwest of Cape Race, Nfld.

Heavy seas pounded the freighter, smashing the bridge and lifeboats and knocking out the ship's steering mechanism. Two of the 28-man crew were reported injured.

Portland Plant Fire Damage Hits $175,000

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ings burned at an estimated loss of $25,000.

Earlier a truck loaded with Christmas merchandise caught fire on the Columbia River Highway. The wind fanned the flame and sent burning material tumbling down the highway. Myron Brush Jr. of Hood River, the driver, said loss was about $1,200.

Nine trees fell across roads in the Lake Grove-Oswego area south of Portland, two of them hitting the residence of W. A. Lamb. The family took refuge in the basement and no one was hurt.

A motorist was trapped when three trees across the road halted him, and another tree then fell behind him.

Power failures were spotted throughout the Portland area from downed lines.

Freezing rain fell briefly at Eugene at 6:30 a.m. and the weather bureau said there could be more of this.

Baker was Oregon's coldest spot at 1 above. Several Washington towns were close to that.

Continued cold, with little letup in the Columbia Gorge and mountain pass winds, was forecast.

Tenmile Lake Poisoning Plans To Be Studied

PORTLAND (AP)—The State Game Commission's plans for poisoning to rid Tenmile Lake on the Oregon Coast of non-game fish will be investigated by the State Fish Commission.

The fish commission heard a report Tuesday from its research director, George Y. Harry, that some areas of the lake are spawning grounds for silver salmon.

Poisoning the lake, Harry said, might result in killing off a whole year's cycle of salmon. The Oregon Salmon Conservation League also opposes the lake poisoning program.

The game commission will hold a public hearing Friday on its plan to restock the lake with rainbow trout.

GAITSKELL CHOSEN

LONDON (AP) — The Labor Party Wednesday night elected Hugh M. Gaitskell as its leader. This made him a potential British prime minister.

Syria Expects U.N. Council Meeting About Protests

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—Syria expects the Security Council to meet soon on the Damascus government's protest against Israel's attack on Syrian posts in Galilee.

Ahmed Shukairy, chairman of Syria's delegation to the General Assembly who announced the protest at a news conference, indicated his country will ask the council to take stern action against Israel. He did not disclose Syria's strategy but said it would call for "measures which have not been asked before."

The U. N. Charter authorizes the council to recommend a cessation of aggression. That failing, the council may call on U. N. members to sever diplomatic, economic and communications ties with the aggressor nation. Finally, it may call on members for armed force to halt aggression.

The council so far has never voted sanctions against one of the parties in the Arab-Israeli conflict, contenting itself with censuring the nation it considers the guilty party.

Israeli forces attacked four Syrian posts on the northeast shore of the Sea of Galilee Sunday night. Israel charged the posts had fired repeatedly on Israeli fishing and police boats on the lake along which Jesus Christ spent much of his life.

Israel said 55 Syrians were killed and 29 captured, to 4 Israelis killed and 12 wounded in the operation.

University Women Meet Scheduled For Thursday

The annual Christmas meeting of the Roseburg chapter of the American Association of University Women will be held Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Woman's Club.

The evening program for AAUW members and invited guests has been announced by President Mrs. Harold Hoyt. It includes musical selections by a string quartet led by Wendell Johnson and a group of Christmas carolers directed by Robert Robins.

The evening will close with a showing of the motion picture "Quartet," which is based on four short stories by English Novelist (William) Somerset Maugham. Program chairman for the evening is Miss Rae Betlach. Refreshments will be served at the start of the program.

Audit Report Is Again Critical Of Road Dept.

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sured the News-Review reporter that the court now is supplied with a report each month.

In the 1951-52 report, Collier noted that reorganization of the department was "a step in the right direction." He said abandonment of the roadmaster system, in which one man is in charge of all department activities had promoted efficiency in the department.

Following his criticism of the department in the 1954-55 report, Collier noted that "maintaining of accurate accounts of inventories, purchases and expenditures depends entirely upon the accuracy and honesty of those entrusted with purchasing, disbursement and—or use of such materials."

Regarding the keeping of records, he said: Verification of items in material charged jobs was not attempted as it would be impossible to check the items and arrive at an actual accounting for the $573,359.78 of material charged jobs. . . ."

It was in the above amount that the $17,544.17 overage occurred.

Crippled Jet Fighter Lands On Mother Plane

SPOKANE (AP) — A jet fighter plane, its hydraulic system failing, made a quick "emergency landing" at 25,000 feet on a B36 bomber this week and was carried safely to the ground, the Air Force revealed Tuesday.

Capt. F. P. Robbinson of Larson Air Force Base said the hydraulic system on his Rf-84F Thunderflash jet failed completely just seconds after he hooked onto the trapeze boom under the bomber.

The failure left the jet without flaps, landing gear, brakes and other equipment and the B36 had to bring the plane back to Fairchild Air Force Base here. Fairchild doesn't have equipment to get one of the jets out of the "mother ship" on the ground and it's still in there.

The incident happened Monday night, the Air Force said, while Capt. Robbinson was practicing "hookups" in flight near Spokane with the special equipment under the B36.

Robbinson got a warning signal inside the cockpit that the hydraulic system was failing and he radioed the "mother ship" that he had to come aboard quickly.

The Air Force said Robbinson would have had to bail out of the $500,000 jet if he hadn't been able to "land" in the air immediately.

Jet fighter planes from Larson have been practicing the mid-air hookups with Fairchild bombers since Dec. 7.

Dulles Arrives In France For Top Level Talks

EVREUX, France (AP) — U. S. Secretary of State Dulles arrived here Wednesday in a misty rain but in cheerful spirits for top-level talks with foreign ministers of the North Atlantic Alliance.

Dulles chatted amiably with U.S. Ambassador C. Douglas Dillon and other high officials who greeted him but declined to make any comment on prospects for the forthcoming talks in Paris, the annual year end meeting of the NATO council to approve plans for the coming year.

Dulles landed at the American Evreux Airbase, an hour and a half drive from Paris, because a strike of airport technicians has closed down Paris fields.

George Smith Services Scheduled Thursday

Funeral services for George Smith, 73, of Azalea, will be held in the chapel of Ganz Mortuary in Myrtle Creek Thursday at 2 p.m.

The Rev. J. Elbert Nash, pastor of the Tri - City Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Interment will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery in Grants Pass.

Smith died Dec. 13 at a Roseburg hospital.

He was born March 19, 1882 in Franklin County, Ind. He married Zelma Duvall at Hamilton, Ohio, April 11, 1917. They have been living in Azalea the last year, coming there from Oroville, Wash., where they had lived for 21 years.

He was a member of the United Bretheran Church of Rockdale, Ind.

Survivors include his wife, Zelma; a son, David, Seattle; two step-daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Van Valkenburg, Glendale, and Mrs. Ruth Rose, South Gate, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Grace Hiler, and a brother Wilfred Smith, both of Harrison, Ohio, and three grandchildren.

Services Scheduled For Lucy Williams

A resident of Myrtle Creek for 35 years, Mrs. Lucy Williams, 81, died at her home Dec. 13. She was born March 9, 1874, at Anthony's Creek, W. Va., and was a member of the Myrtle Creek Methodist Church.

She was married to Emery Williams in Leonard, W. Va., and came to Oregon in 1920 and had resided in Myrtle Creek since then.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Myrtle Creek Methodist Church. Vault interment will follow in the Myrtle Creek IOOF Cemetery. The Rev. Wayne Brown will officiate.

Surviving are her husband, Emery; two daughters, Mable and Gladys Williams, both of Myrtle Creek; one brother, Earl Nicholas, Ukiah, Calif., and one nephew, Clarence Chapman, Myrtle Creek.

SHARP EARTHQUAKE FELT

LANDER, Wyo. (AP) — Dishes rattled and trees swayed but no damage was reported from a sharp earthquake felt yesterday in this West Central Wyoming town of 3,349. There were reports of a loud roar accompanying the forenoon tremor in an area at the foot of the Wind River Mountains.

State Police Report 2-Car Accident Tuesday

A two-car accident Tuesday on Highway 99 north of the Oakland junction sent five persons to Douglas Community Hospital, Roseburg, for treatment of minor injuries.

The mishap occurred about 12:45 p.m. state police said as Troy Loyl Short, Hubbard Creek, Roseburg, was making a U-turn. A following motorist, Henry H. Miller, 36, 2145 Todd St., Roseburg, told officers he was unable to avoid hitting the Short vehicle. They issued no citations.

Miller and his passengers were treated for injuries at Community Hospital. His wife, Lorraine, was hospitalized for treatment of head lacerations and shock. Treated for minor cuts and bruises were Miller, Dana Henry Miller, 17, Chrisal Lorraine Miller, eight months, and Mrs. Elva Staullings.

Passengers in the Short car, Dorothy Ellen Short, 36, and Barbara Short, 17, were apparently not injured.

MINERAL LEASE OKAYED

The Douglas County Court Tuesday leased mineral rights on 40 acres of county land located near Tiller. The lease, to extend for 120 days, was granted to J. F. Roy, Days Creek, and A. L. Roy, Riddle.

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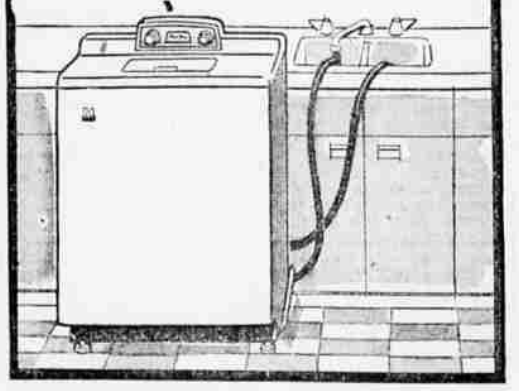

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