

Much Sharper Objectivity Said Needed To Get At Facts Of Disputed Al Sarena Case

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WASHINGTON — After the first two days of the Al Sarena mining claim investigation by Congress, it appeared that the joint Senate-House committee will have to employ a much sharper objectivity if it is to get through the heavily overburdened political machinery that has thus far obscured most of the hard factual nuggets on which the case can be decided.

When the Al Sarena hearings opened last Tuesday, reporters were hardly in their seats at the press table before an aide to Rep. Clark Hoffman (R-Mich.) was passing out a lengthy prepared statement in which Hoffman "white washed" the entire case before the first witness had taken the stand.

This was not out of character for Hoffman, who is probably the most uninhibited member of Congress. Nor was it a particularly unique performance in the committee room that day, when Rep. Earl Cudoff (D-Pa.) ran him a hard race for pre-judging the case.

Sen. Kerr Scott (D-Ore.) had stated things in December when he announced the hearings would be held. He charged Interior Department had "concocted a frantic scheme to deal from the bottom of the deck and pass under the table some one-half million dollars worth of publicly owned timber to a private company."

Just before the day's hearing concluded, Sen. Scott announced he had a statement. As copies were dispatched to the press table, he said it was now clear that Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay's men had handled this case in a "shoddy and shabby fashion."

As he finished, Scott rapped the hearing into adjournment amid cries from Republicans for a chance to offer rebuttal.

Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.) stalked from the room, muttering that "those same liberals" had been the ones who "wanted to tattoo McCarthy" and that "they ought to see themselves now."

Next morning, Hoffman began it by reading a reply from Goldwater, who was absent. It said the "giveaway" charge "is without substance and they know it." Before the day was out this had

been supplemented by another long document from Hoffman for the defense and a statement from Scott for the prosecution.

For those interested in the facts alone, there was one hopeful sign on the horizon: none of the members of Congress from Oregon, who know most about the details of the case, joined in the open political heavy overburdened political machinery that has thus far obscured most of the hard factual nuggets on which the case can be decided.

Trout Season May Be Extended Month Longer

PORTLAND — The trout season will be almost a month longer in Oregon this year if the state Game Commission decides Saturday to follow the recommendation of its biologists.

They urged a 24-day increase over last year with the dates for the season to be April 25-Oct. 31 instead of the April 20-Oct. 9 of last year.

They also urged a 26-day increase for the high lakes in federal lands, the season to be May 26-Oct. 31.

In a 45-minute hearing Friday, one of the shortest on record, the biologists also recommended a two-week earlier opening for spring Chinook salmon angling in the Umpqua River with the season going 10 days beyond the May 31 closure of last year.

They also suggested that Fern Ridge Reservoir near Eugene be opened to trout fishing the year around. The same thing was urged for the Ochoco Reservoir, which is to be cleaned out by fish poison in 1956 or 1957.

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Leukemia Takes Boy Before He Reached Shrine

NEW YORK — A New Mexico boy, stricken with leukemia, died here Saturday, before a "mercy flight" could get him to the Lourdes Shrine in France.

Various agencies, including the State Department, had made special arrangements for the trip in a last-hour effort to save the life of 5-year-old Luis Deala, of Los Alamos.

He was in critical condition, described as a "terminal case," when he left Albuquerque in an airliner Friday night. He died in Bellevue Hospital shortly after the plane reached here.

His heart-sick parents watched as a doctor examined him and pronounced him dead.

They had hoped to get him to the French shrine by Sunday night, and bathe him in the waters there, believing that only a miracle could keep him alive.

Miraculous cures have been reported at the shrine.

The State Department, medical authorities, Sen. J. William Fulbright, the Navy, the Coast Guard and two airlines had helped in paying the way for the quick flight.

The parents and a special nurse, Elizabeth Ready, accompanied the boy on the trip.

His father had told friends that he realized the child might die before reaching the shrine.

The boy became ill with leukemia, cancer of the blood, a year and a half ago. Blood transfusions and medicines had provided only temporary relief.

Jekyll-Hyde Personality Of Bomb Threatener Told

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of officials and people in general. "I don't say the police are not doing a good job, but they have failed which leaves us on top. The next bomb is real. It was not bought. . . It is not swiped (for that is a thing). It is borrowed. It will be in one of the buildings tomorrow (Dec. 22)."

This brought another wave of school panic to school officials. The school board was called into emergency session, but after much soul-searching, it was decided to keep youngsters in school this time.

In the days that followed, Jacoby was bombarded with messages both written and by telephone, always threatening bombings.

"Get those kids out of this school by 2:00. It's going off at 2:10!" What increased the cold sweat for officials was some missing dynamite which had been stolen. It was later found by the sheriff's office.

Almost every morning at 8:10, Jacoby would receive a telephone call laden with bombing threats.

Police tried to trace the call, but storm damage had so interrupted the local telephone circuits, this proved impossible.

Then, police, school officials and the district attorney took on a gigantic task. They began examining over 1,800 hand writing specimens from every pupil in school.

Even this almost failed, because comparisons with the handwriting on the notes changes during the course of the series. But finally after minute examination of all the papers, the handwriting was pinpointed.

The investigators had trepidations when they began questioning the girl, because her record was good. In narrowing the field of suspects down, they at first automatically disqualified her.

Traffic Accident Injures Three Persons Slightly

A traffic accident one mile south of Roseburg on Highway 99 Friday sent three persons to Mercy Hospital for out-patient treatment and found state police citing one driver for passing with insufficient clearance.

The cited man was Charles Elmer Bozarth, 26, Chehalis, Wash. Officers said he allegedly attempted to pass a vehicle driven by Lyle H. Stout, 20, 320 SE Pine, Roseburg, about 1:15 p.m. Bozarth's car reportedly smashed into the left rear end of the Stout vehicle, knocking it sideways and out of control.

The impact, police said, sent the Stout car into a deep ditch, 118 feet past the point of impact. Bozarth's automobile went out of control, veered into the left lane of traffic, back again to the right side of the road and ended some 350 feet from the impact point.

Bozarth's passenger, his wife Joyce, 23, was slightly injured. Bozarth suffered a chin laceration, minor chest injuries and a bruised right leg. The front of his car was smashed. Driver Stout was X-rayed for possible leg injury and then released, hospital personnel said.

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Atlantic Conquest In Tiny Sailboat Described In Talk To Knife And Fork Clubbers

Winkin, Binkin and Nod sailing off in a wooden shoe was no more unlikely than Patrick Ellam tackling the treacherous Atlantic in his matchbox of a sailboat, according to his fellow mariners.

But Ellam and a Scottish friend not only bounced over a 70,000-mile route across the Atlantic but apparently had great fun in the process.

So he told an audience of nearly 800 Knife and Fork Clubbers at the Elks Club Friday night. He was another on the roster of speakers scheduled by the Umpqua Valley Knife and Fork Club for its 1955-56 season.

Ellam, a daring, young Englishman, said he and his friend set out with a "couple of ideas to prove." They picked a stern adversary in the Atlantic, but apparently proved decisively that a boat will remain seaworthy longer by going over than through the waves.

The boat they selected was only 19 1/2 feet long, weighed 410 pounds empty and had a hull no thicker than a cigarette. It carried no motor, only sails, and weight of cargo was cut to a minimum.

Rather than fight winds toward England on the direct route to America, they sailed south to take advantage of the westerly trade winds between Africa and the West Indies. They started from Falmouth, England, and headed for Spain. After two days of dodging ships in a fog and standing by, they arrived in Spain to be toasted at a party. The trip from England to Spain took 13 days. The party took three weeks.

Then, the two mariners scooted to Lisbon, Portugal ("where it's crawling with ex-kings. We dined with three"). The next leg of the journey was to Casablanca in Africa, where they arrived just ahead of a gale which pounded a 260-ton yacht to kindling. Then south to the Canary Islands. This was the jump-off for the 3,000-mile leg of uninterrupted ocean to the New World.

Finally on Jan. 6, with 100 quart of water, ample staples, two books of poetry and a seabag full of courage, the two headed west.

Speed picked up when the light little boat hit the trade winds, but Ellam described it as "trying to keep house on a roller coaster."

With no mishaps, the boat played tag for 3,000 miles with the sharks until it dove in, right on target at the Barbados in the West Indies.

General Mills Store Closes

The General Mills Feed Store, which has been the local distributor for Larro Feeds, closed operations Jan. 1. The store was located at 420 SW Lane St. The Douglas County Flour Mill has been appointed as the authorized local distributor for Larro Feeds.

E. L. Swanson of San Francisco, Calif., employed by Sperry Co. as supervisor of retail stores for the all western states, has been in Roseburg three days this week assisting C. E. McFerron, former Roseburg branch manager, with the details of moving the local office to Salem.

Al Rydamer, who worked for the company locally has been transferred to Salem. McFerron will be transferred to Eugene, where he will establish headquarters as field representative. He plans to move his family to Eugene as soon as housing can be found. The McFerron family now resides on Quail Lane in Riversdale.

Canyonville Home Burned Friday

The home of the Clyde McNeal family burned to the foundations Friday night at Canyonville, reports correspondent Virginia U. Proctor.

Efforts to save it were hampered by lack of telephone facilities. The telephone lines have not been operating since the recent snowstorm.

Neighbors failed to discover the blaze until it was well under way, and then ran into difficulty in reaching the Canyonville Fire Dept. because of no telephone service. When the fire department arrived on the scene, the fire had reached holocaust proportions.

The house was located in the northern end of Canyonville and was being bought on contract by McNeal from Glenn Gilmore, who built it in the late 1940s.

McNeal was working at the Pacific Garage, which he owns, at the time of the fire. His wife and two children were at a movie.

Damage was estimated at between \$19,000 and \$12,000. A garage away from the house did not burn. It was not known if the house was insured.

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Mosquito Problem Talked At Meeting Here Friday

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in a Chinook. Mont., survey, it was found that 75 per cent of the people had to restrict their activities because of mosquitoes and 40 per cent suffered from secondary infections resulting from bites.

The entomologist also said a survey in the Logan vicinity showed that 40 per cent of people in a sample were carriers of encephalitis (sleeping sickness) virus, undoubtedly transmitted to them by one of two strains of mosquitoes.

Ogden emphasized that the carriers may never have felt effects of the disease, a situation similar to polio.

Both strains of mosquitoes are found in Douglas County, one in great numbers.

Miles' report was from a survey of last summer in which the Public Health Service cooperated. It cited Sutherland Creek as being an especially heavy breeder of mosquitoes, but also named 10 ponds as important breeding places.

About 1,600 acres of log ponds were inspected. Research even turned up one new variety of mosquito.

The research program is expected to turn up new chemical and equipment uses in combating the pests.

Hess said Douglas and Lane counties have pioneered research in the war against mosquitoes. Many types of equipment and different uses of chemicals have been tried.

But some of the equipment fails to work properly and the insects become immune to some of the chemicals after a few generations.

Look Magazine Article On Till Entered In Record

WASHINGTON — Rep. Diggs (R-Mich.) has inserted in the Congressional Record a Look magazine article which says Emmett Till was slain by one of two white men tried and acquitted of the crime in Mississippi.

The article says the second man was at the scene when the 15-year-old Chicago boy was shot and thrown into a river last August.

The case has attracted wide attention.

Diggs, a Negro, cited the article as emphasizing what he called the need for congressional action to permit Negroes to live in any service in all states and "exercise influence in the election of fair-minded public officials."

The magazine article, titled "The Shocking Story of Approved Killing in Mississippi," was written by William Bradford Huie.

In his own introductory remarks printed in the Congressional Record for Thursday's session, Diggs said:

"There is no doubt in my mind that the information came from the killers themselves. J. W. Milam and Roy Bryant. . . Milam and Bryant have denied talking with Huie and have reiterated their innocence. They were acquitted by a Mississippi jury."

Weather Alert Comes To End

An end came to a southern Oregon flood alert Saturday morning and residents breathed a sigh of relief.

The end of the alert, sent out from Medford Friday night, didn't insure the future, but U.S. Weather Bureau personnel in Roseburg reported a storm front passed over the area Saturday.

Heavy precipitation forecast did not materialize. The rainfall reading, for 24 hours preceding 4:30 a.m. Saturday, registered .34 inches.

For the weekend, the weatherman forecasts rain. He says there'll be partial clearing and warming Sunday, with some cloudiness. Likewise, a few showers are predicted.

Latest weather depth reading from the Weather Bureau, based on reports before 8 a.m. Saturday, is: Elton—12.90, falling; Roseburg—11.44, falling; Winchester—9.20, falling; and Winston—11.93, falling.

Siamese Twin Girls Born In New Hampshire

WOODSVILLE, N.H. — Siamese twin girls were born to a local farmer's wife at the Hospital Wednesday and the facts are in "fair" condition, their doctor said Saturday.

Dr. Eugene McGregor of Lisbon said the girls are joined at the chest. He said that as far as he knows, there is no surgery anticipated at the present time.

Senate Approves Bill Limiting Scope Of Law

WASHINGTON — The Senate this week approved and sent to the House a bill limiting the scope of a 1953 law which gave five states court jurisdiction over reservation Indians.

The law gave criminal and civil jurisdiction over Indians in California, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oregon and Wisconsin. The bill passed by the Senate strikes sections which make it possible for other states to take similar jurisdiction through constitutional amendments.

New York City Board Approves Fluoridation

NEW YORK — The Board of Health this week recommended fluoridation of the city's water supply.

In a report to Mayor Robert F. Wagner, the board recommended one millionth part of fluorine in the water.

The report said the maximum initial cost of fluoridation would be \$450,000. Annual maintenance, including the chemical, would be less than \$700,000, or about 9 cents per capita.

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Elsworth's Bill Would Deed VA Property To City

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its declaration of surplus from the General Services Administration because GSA cannot accept for disposal any property that is not in fact actual surplus and without such restrictions as insisted upon by the Veterans Administration.

When my bill was introduced, the Veterans Administration telegraphed the regional office of GSA withdrawing the declaration of surplus.

Bradeen, in his letter to Farrell dated Jan. 10, says in part: "You refer to the Veterans Administration declaration of surplus as restricting future use for park or recreation purposes. We know of no authority authorizing the holding of property in a condition on the disposal of the property reported excess to its needs other than the authority of the Dept. of Defense to impose the national security clause, or modifications thereon, on industrial properties reported by that department. We dispose of surplus real property in the best overall interest of the United States Government and restrict the use of property, when sold, only when such restriction is necessary to protect the continued operation of an adjacent government-owned facility."

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AFL-CIO Merger Meet Scheduled For Tuesday

PORTLAND — The AFL-CIO merger committee will meet here Tuesday to outline plans for uniting the two unions in Oregon.

Committee recommendations will be taken by the 14-man committee to the two groups' state conventions later this year.

The AFL committee includes James J. Marr, secretary of the State Federation of Labor; J. D. McDonald, federation president; Al E. Bird of the Portland Metal Trades Council; Kenneth Davis of the Northwest Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers; Clell Harris, of the State Building Trades Council; W. L. Vinson, of the State Electrical Workers Assn. and Alice Weasing of the State Culinary Alliance.

George Brown, secretary of the Oregon State Industrial Union Council, said the CIO committee will be announced later.

Olympic Skiing Star Suffers Vertebrae Break

KITZBUHEL, Austria, — Catherine (Katy) Rodolph, U. S. Olympic skiing star from Reno, Nev., suffered a broken "second vertebrae" in her neck in the International Hahnenkamm Tournament Saturday.

Dr. Friedrich Pfahl, who made the examinations, said the girl's condition was "critical." He ordered her rushed to Salzburg by Red Cross ambulance for treatment.

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ARCHDUKE TO MARRY

MUNICH, Germany — Archduke Ferdinand of Hapsburg announced his engagement Friday to Countess Helen of Teering-Jettenbach, 18-year-old niece of the Duchess of Kent.

The wedding is to be held in April at one of the Bavarian estates of the countess' family.

The 37-year-old archduke is a cousin of Archduke Otto of Hapsburg, pretender to the deposed Austrian throne.

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Petitions Out To Place Ike In Oregon Primary

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Elmer Deetz Intends To Run For Senator

PORTLAND — Elmer Deetz, the 61-year-old Canby dairman who took a prominent role in repeal of the Oregon milk marketing control law in 1954, intends to run for the Republican nomination for U.S. senator.

In announcing his candidacy Friday night, Deetz said he might withdraw if Gov. Paul Patterson should enter the race.

But it's doubtful, the dairyman added.

Deetz led the initiative petition that led to repeal of the milk law. He did this after the state had challenged his right to sell milk in gallon jugs to customers who called for it at their farms.

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DOUGLAS HOME RANSACKED

HOLLYWOOD — While actor Kirk Douglas, his wife and baby were vacationing in Palm Springs, burglars ransacked their home here of clothing, jewelry and even food. Value of the loot was not immediately determined.

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