

Jaycees To Spearhead Accident Prevention

The Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce voted Monday night to sponsor "Be Prepared for Accidents Week" in Roseburg, March 15-23, according to Jack Gamet.

An effort to remind people that accidents can occur in the home, in the family car, at work, or while hunting or fishing will be made by the Jaycees who will sell first aid kits made by Johnson & Johnson Co. during the week.

Gamet pointed out that people will be contacted first and then sold the kits. He added that Johnson & Johnson first aid charts would be available during the week that people could place in their medicine cabinets. They are free upon request, Gamet said.

Proceeds from the sale will go to the Jaycees' Youth Portfolio, Gamet stated, for use in various Jaycee youth projects.

Geisler Jury Selection Continues In 2nd Day

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asked prospective jurors if they would hesitate to find Geisler innocent if there was no evidence to show that the alleged crime was not committed in "cool blood."

The defense elaborated by saying that planning a crime in "cool blood" required an absence of passion and excitement or the creation of a frame of mind where deliberation and premeditation predominated in devising the crime. The examples cited were crimes such as poisoning and "laying in wait" for the victim to come along.

Three jurors were excused when they answered affirmatively to the question: "Do you have any scruples or principles regarding imposition of a first-degree murder sentence on the defendant since it carries a death penalty?" The three prospective jurors answering yes were: Mrs. Jeanette Siefert, Roseburg; Emmett Belcher, Tiller; and Gerald Hopkins, Oakland.

Dist. Atty. Robert M. Stults and Deputy Dist. Atty. Don Sanders asked if sympathy, passion or prejudice would interfere with decisions in judging the defendant. The defense attorneys Kelley and Caley asked jury panel members if confessions entered as evidence would be sufficient to convict the defendant and if they believed in the principle "a life for a life."

Panel members were also asked if they would consider mitigation and extenuation of circumstances in regard to the punishment to be meted out to the defendant if he should be found guilty.

Hanna Is Excused
Milburn Hanna, Green, was the first prospective juror to be excused from the case. He stated in answering attorney's questions that he knew both of the Geislers and had had connections with them through his job of agent for a teamsters' union.

Deputy Dist. Atty. Don Sanders moved to dismiss G. E. Commons from the jury on the grounds that an employee-employer type relationship existed between Commons, who is an assistant manager of a Roseburg business, and defense attorney Kelley who is the firm's legal representative.

Judge Woodruff overruled the motion on the grounds that the law did not apply to a relationship between prospective jurors and attorneys who had business dealings in a sense other than employer-employee.

Prospective jurors at the Monday night recess were Charles Garrett, Mrs. Ruth Digby, Mrs. Dixie Sutter, Harvey Koozer, G. E. Commons, Mrs. Lydia Hinsdale, Claude Crockett, Harry Hatfield, Mrs. Georgia Edmonds, the Rev. Dwight L. Roy, Sven Eckstrom and Mrs. Doris Voorheis.

One Injury Results From Three Motor Vehicle Accidents

Three motor vehicle accidents were reported Monday by state police. Despite extensive damage to some of the vehicles involved, only one injury was listed.

Nelda C. Humphreys, Oakland, Calif., a passenger in a car driven by Carl T. Dahl, also of Oakland, was taken to Cottage Grove Hospital for observation and X-rays, according to the police report.

She was injured in a three-vehicle accident about 35 miles north of Roseburg on Highway 99 about 2:45 p.m. Also in the accident with Dahl's car were an automobile driven by Patricia Dishman, 157 W. Bodie St., Roseburg, and a truck driven by Donald C. Coker, Lebanon.

According to the accident report, Dahl had apparently attempted to pass Coker's truck when he saw the approaching Dishman car and tried to cut back into his lane of traffic and struck the rear of the truck. The back end of his car reportedly swerved and hit the rear of the Dishman vehicle forcing it over the bank and into a ditch.

Another accident was reported at 5:25 p.m. on Highway 99 between Roseburg and Winston. Involved were a 1949 pickup truck driven by Jim Jolley of Winston and a 1956 sedan driven by Irene Marie McLaughlin, 753 W. Union St., Roseburg.

According to the police, Jolley was traveling south and said his pickup started to weave when he applied the brakes and it swerved into the other traffic lane. The two collided in the north lane. The entire left side of the pickup was reportedly badly damaged, and damage to the left front and door of the car was listed.

The third accident occurred about six miles south of Roseburg on Highway 99 at 11:35 a.m. involved were a log truck driven by Everett Kenneth Ward, 730 Tip-top Rd., Roseburg, and a 1952 sedan driven by Kenneth Charles Holcomb, Myrtle Creek.

Police reported that Ward was following too close to another vehicle and was unable to slow enough when that vehicle made a right turn. His truck skidded and swerved into the south-bound traffic lane, sideswiping Holcomb's car.

The automobile was reportedly badly damaged but was driven away. Ward was cited for following too close to another vehicle.

Court Awards Petroleum Contract To Shell Oil

Shell Oil Co. will supply the bulk of the petroleum products used by Douglas County this year. The firm submitted the lowest bids in several of the categories called for by the County Court.

When the bids were studied after being opened recently, it was found that Shell was low bidder for supplying truck and trailer loads of gasoline to the Roseburg shop at \$49.795.50. It also won the contract for supplying similar deliveries to outlying county shops with a total bid of \$20,121.50.

Standard Oil's \$11,537 bid for supplying tank wagon gas was low. Shell will supply dark diesel worth \$15,004.50, while the Texas Co. submitted the successful bid for furnishing premium diesel at \$5,547.50.

Shell Oil will furnish the county grease, lubricating oils, etc. The firm's bid was \$6,979.

STRIKE TALKS SLATED

PORTSMOUTH, Ohio (AP)—Some 600 striking members of the Communications Workers of America vote today on a new contract agreement reached Sunday with the Ohio Consolidated Telephone Co.

Senate Labor Racket Probe Gets Under Way

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ey was destined to be loaned to Richard Klinge, Seattle, although he had turned down Klinge on the loan previously.

Kennedy asked Ruhl whether he was aware that Klinge was a college classmate of Dave Beck Jr. at the University of Washington and lived in the same housing project with Beck Junior. Ruhl answered "no."

The money subsequent questioning brought out, was to be advanced through Bassett to Klinge to open a bar. Kennedy said the bar was the "Rainbow Tavern."

Testimony was that the \$30,000 loan had no due date and was to draw 3 per cent interest, and that there was a compromise settlement recently by payment of the principal in full and its equivalent of 2 per cent interest.

Kennedy announced at the hearing that the committee had an affidavit from Bassett saying he acted in the case "on orders from Dave Beck."

Ruhl also testified about a series of other loans from Local No. 690 funds. There was a reference not immediately developed, to "a \$5,000 embezzlement of funds by a girl employed by the local," a matter Ruhl said was not reported to the union membership.

Ruhl said another loan of \$17,000, was made Dec. 18, 1953 to Sam Sellinas, identified as a "well known Seattle gambler," who Ruhl said needed the money to "square up his taxes."

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The newsmen were Wallace Turner and William Lambert, reporters for The Oregonian, Portland.

Their series of stories on alleged connections between Teamsters and officials of the Teamsters Union in Portland won them the 1956 Heywood Brown award of the American Newspaper Guild.

Sen. McClellan (D-Ark), chairman of a special Senate committee established to make the inquiry into alleged gangster infiltration of labor organizations and industry, promised the committee revelations would be "stunning."

McClellan's statement opening the hearings, expected to run a year or more, said committee investigators already have leads on alleged illegal or improper practices in some 29 cities.

Robert F. Kennedy, committee counsel, said the initial phase of the hearings would touch on affairs in Spokane, Wash., as well as Portland. Turner and Lambert read prepared statements relating what they called a "conspiracy" between Portland officials, Teamsters Union officials and "gangsters" to establish organized gambling and prostitution in Portland.

They named the Portland district attorney, William M. Langley, Clyde C. Crosby, international organizer for the Teamsters Union; and James B. Elkins, a Portland "racketeer," as among those involved and said they have been indicted in connection with the "conspiracy."

Turner said Elkins, "who will identify himself to you as a racketeer," provided the two reporters with original leads.

Turner also said that while he abhorred the rackets Elkins had operated, he felt that what Elkins "has done during the past year toward wiping out a criminal conspiracy, I believe to have been in the public interest."

In running down their story, Turner said, "time and time again—we have been visited in secret places at night by honorable working men who complained of their inability to take action to stop the improper activities of their union leaders."

"Without exception, they were in terrible fear that their visits to us might become known to their union bosses."

"The fear of retaliation is one of the most potent weapons to silence criticism from within the Teamsters Union in the Pacific Northwest. That fear pervades this organization."

Youth Center Officers Nominate New Slate

Present officers of "The Rec." Roseburg Youth Center, met Monday night at the center to nominate officers for the coming school year.

Forming the nominating committee were Fred Schulze, Brady Montgomery, Sandy Howlett and David Bradley.

Nominees for president are next year's seniors, Paul Fitzgerald, Jim Hall and Helen Klaboe; vice president, next year's juniors, Lois Eddy, Chuck Brown, Ted Sohn and Frank Webster; secretary-treasurer, Susan Short, Carol Meehan and Jan Toser; and sergeant-at-arms, Alvin Butler, Bob Moffett and Dennis Durham.

During the business session, discussion of the club's constitution and by-laws was held.

Election will take place this coming Saturday night at a dance at "The Rec."



LOYAL MEMBER—J. L. Chaney, 91, is one of the oldest members in AF & AM lodge work. The 45-year member of the Maple Lodge 127 at Myrtle Creek, is shown above with H. W. Arbogast, present master of the lodge. They are holding the white lamb skin apron presented to Ross Maddox at the last meeting. Chaney conferred the E. A. degree on Maddox. Chaney served as master of the lodge in 1914 and was secretary for about 30 years. He was appointed secretary emeritus in 1953. He is also a member of the Scottish Rite, Roseburg consistory, being a 32nd degree Mason. (Warren Studio, Myrtle Creek).

Funeral Service Slated Thursday For Robert Lee

Funeral services for Robert Elmer Lee, 60, of Canyonville, will be held at the chapel of Ganz Mortuary, Myrtle Creek, Thursday at 2 p.m. Mel Coffman of the Church of Christ, Myrtle Creek, will officiate.

Ritualistic services will be conducted by the Canyonville Masonic Lodge. Burial will follow in the Masonic Cemetery at Canyonville.

Born Feb. 15, 1897, he died suddenly at his home in Canyonville Sunday. He had been a resident of the Canyonville area since 1943, moving from Los Angeles.

He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Hollenbeck Lodge, AF&AM No. 319, Los Angeles.

No immediate relatives are known to survive him. His wife, Martha Marie, died in February 1953. They were married in Los Angeles in 1940.

South Umpqua To Reach Flood Stage, Report

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of the county was saturated by heavy rain Saturday and Sunday, and can hold no more water.

Ben B. Irving, director of the Water Resources Survey, said that with runoffs from the rain, streams in the basin would reach flood stage "or a little more."

At 9 a.m., Calapooia Creek was out of its banks, as were Sutherland Creek and Lookingglass Creek. The South Umpqua River at Tiller was bankfull.

The situation spurred the Water Resources Survey and Weather Bureau to put its radio warning network into operation at 8 a.m. today.

At least one school in the central part of the county closed down because of high water. Water over the roads in Lookingglass Valley stopped classes in Lookingglass School this morning, Supt. William Bromley said it's anticipated the school will reopen Wednesday.

About 25 students at Douglas High School were unable to attend classes because high water stopped buses from picking them up.

The 1.34 - inch rainfall here brought the 72-hour precipitation mark to 3.31 inches. The heavy rainfall of the past three days virtually wiped out a rainfall deficiency of some 4 inches since Sept. 1.

But the freezing level is about 6,000 feet, the Weather Bureau said, which will mean that some of the snow pack in the upper elevations of the basin will have melted. That melt probably has helped to feed the streams to their present levels.

Rainfall was heavier in the Cascade foothills. At the Little River rain gauge on the North Umpqua River, 1.43 inches was recorded in the past 24 hours, bringing the three-day total there to 3.6 inches, according to Mrs. Arthur Selby, News-Review correspondent.

CLAIMS JEWELS STOLEN

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Police are investigating a report by Francesca de Scaffa, Italian actress wife of actor Bruce Cabot, that \$320,000 worth of jewels was stolen from her hotel apartment.

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of her family had been a slaying victim.

Other opponents of the death penalty were Kelsey Hinshaw, representing the Oregon Assn. of Friends (Quakers); and Dr. John Rademaker, of the Joint Council for Social Welfare Legislation.

Dr. Rademaker, a Willamette University sociology instructor, said a person sentenced to prison should retain the right to parole, even if his sentence is for life. He suggested indeterminate sentences, the release date to be fixed by the Parole Board.

A state honor farm system was recommended by Ed Middaugh, who said he had been a peace officer for many years. He suggested that felons eligible for parole be transferred to an honor farm.

Abolition of the death penalty would require an amendment to the Constitution, so if the Legislature votes to end the death penalty, the measure would be referred to the people at the 1958 general election.

The committee took no action.

Assessor's Office Employees To Attend Appraisal Course

Four employees of the Douglas County assessor's office will attend a short course in appraisal work at Oregon State College, March 18 to 22.

Two courses are being offered this year. One covers the basic principles of appraisal. This introductory course was the only one given last year. The second one is a second-year course that will cover special appraisal problems.

Three field trips for practice appraisals of farm, urban residential and urban commercial properties are included in the second-year schedule.

To attend from Douglas County are Ralph B. Preston and Alton B. Hebard (introductory course) and Irus M. Wells and Jack Bathrick (second-year course).

Instructors will include OSC and state tax commission officials along with visiting appraisal experts. Jeffery Holbrook, Portland property counselor, and F. G. Shaffer, Woodland, Calif. appraiser, will be the two special lecturers. Both have taught at appraisal courses in various sections of the nation.

Gerald E. Korzan, associate professor of agricultural economics, is executive secretary of the program planning committee. Representatives of the Oregon County Assessors Assn. were invited to help plan topics to be covered by the courses.

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Resources Board Asks Retention Of State Water Board

In its only official action at the regular meeting Monday night, the Douglas County Water Resources Advisory Committee passed a resolution calling for reappointment of all members of the State Water Resources Board.

The resolution was directed to Gov. Robert Holmes. It asked that the members of the board "as presently constituted" be submitted to the Senate for confirmation.

The meeting in the courthouse was devoted largely to study of legislative works.

A discussion was held on the subject of two bills now in the Legislature. Both deal with drift in streams of the state. Legislation on the subject was requested by the Douglas County committee last year.

The first bill, introduced by the Douglas County legislative delegation calls for a law allowing county courts to arrange for removal and destruction of drifts in rivers and streams or on land which has been flooded. It gives the court the right to enter lands for inspection, removal and destruction of drifts. The bill would also allow counties to participate in projects relating to conservation and flood control to the extent of expenditure of \$50,000.

The second bill would make it illegal for anyone to "willfully, wantonly or negligently" cut, fill, throw or place in running streams or ditches, trees, brush, logs or drift. Fines of now less than \$50 nor more than \$500 could be levied by justice courts.

Camp Fire Girls Camp Period Starts July 14

The Camp Fire Girls camp at Tye will be open for five weeks this summer, starting Sunday, July 14.

The decision was made at the last meeting of the board of directors. It was also decided to retain the \$15 weekly fee even though costs have continued to climb.

At the same meeting, it was decided a delegation of five members would attend the regional conference of Camp Fire Girls in Walla Walla, Wash., in April.

Featured speaker at the meeting was Don O'Neal, United Fund executive secretary.

GAME NIGHT SET

A "dads' and sons' game night" will be held for second and third grade boys and their fathers at Rose School gym tonight at 7:30, according to Don Naden, secretary of the YMCA.

Dr. James Finlay, chief of the Y Indian Guide Club, will be leader of the affair.

11 Syrians, 1 Lebanese Sentenced To Death

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP)—A three-man court martial Tuesday sentenced 11 Syrians and one Lebanese to death after finding them guilty of plotting to overthrow the Syrian regime.

The defendants were alleged to have plotted with Britain, France, Iraq and Turkey.

Canada Offers Peace Proposal To Halt Sanction

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—In an effort to head off a growing demand for sanctions against Israel, Canadian Foreign Secretary Lester B. Pearson Tuesday laid before the U.N. a four-point plan for settlement of the Israeli-Egyptian dispute.

The Soviet Union immediately blasted the plan as a "disgraceful" action to impose economic, financial and military restrictions on Israel.

Pearson proposed the following four steps:

1. A formal pledge by Israel and Egypt to abide by all provisions of the 1949 armistice agreement, including a pledge to refrain from belligerent acts.
2. U.N. emergency forces should be deployed along the armistice line to prevent raids across the border from either side.
3. It should be affirmed and agreed that there would be no interference with the innocent passage of vessels through the Straits of Tiran or the Gulf of Aqaba.
4. Use of U.N. emergency forces in the Gaza Strip and the gradual replacement of the Israeli civil administration in the strip by a U.N. administration.

Mollet Confers With President

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower and French Premier Guy Mollet Tuesday discussed the Middle East crisis and also arranged for President Rene Coty of France to visit the United States in June.

Eisenhower and Mollet conferred for about 90 minutes at the White House.

James C. Hagerty, White House press secretary, reported Mollet informed Eisenhower that Coty had agreed to accept an invitation to come to the United States during the first week of June.

No details regarding the visit were given.

Immediately after the first Eisenhower-Mollet conference, the French premier went across the street from the White House to place a wreath before a statue of Lafayette.

Two Firemen Answer Rural Fire Calls Monday

Roseburg rural firemen answered two calls Monday, because of overheated stoves.

Firemen were called to the home of E. J. Kenny, 770 NE Imbler Ave., when an overheated stove and defective flue caused a fire in a garage workshop, firemen said. Fire burned a wall and part of the roof. There has been no estimate of damage.

An overheated oil stove took firemen to Commercial Truck Sales, 2191 NE Stephens St., at 11:20 p.m. Monday. There was no damage.

Joseph Lane Will Present Operetta Friday Nite At 8

Two hundred fifty music students at Joseph Lane Junior High School will present the school's annual operetta, "An Old Kentucky Garden," Friday at 8 p.m.

The operetta, based on the music of Stephen C. Foster, will be held in the school auditorium. The event will be held one night only. Approximately 500 persons can be seated in the auditorium.

Included in the operetta are 22 song and dance numbers. Besides the music students, 100 art and speech students are taking part in the play. This will mark the third year that the student body has presented an operetta at the new school.

The operetta will be presented at 1:45 Thursday for the students. The youths' costumes were made by PTA mothers under the direction of Mrs. Catherine Matthews, social living teacher. Dramatics are under the direction of Maurita McGarity, speech instructor, and art is supervised by Mrs. Margaret Carr.

"This will be the first time that a Roseburg school has presented 'An Old Kentucky Garden,'" Mrs. McGarity said. Tickets for the play will be sold at the door. Cost will be 10 cents for grade school children, 25 cents for junior and high school students and 50 cents for adults.

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