

Sens. Morse And Neuberger Pressured To Intervene In Vice Probe To Clear State

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WASHINGTON — Oregon Senators Wayne Morse and Richard L. Neuberger have been under great pressure to intervene with the Senate investigators of racketeering in behalf of various political figures, and to protect the good state of Oregon itself, whose name has been besmirched these past three weeks.

American Soldier, Japanese Girl Sentenced To Die

SENDAI, Japan (AP)—An American soldier and his Japanese girl friend today were sentenced to death by a Japanese court for robbing and killing a Japanese woman, then setting her home afire to hide their crime.

The death penalty was the first imposed on an American by Japanese authorities since the end of World War II.

Pvt. Orvis L. C. Boone, 24-year-old Galveston, Tex., Negro, and Shogeko Sasaki were sentenced by Dist. Judge Mizuo Yamada to be hanged for the triple crime last Sept. 4 in Sendai. The prosecution had asked only for life imprisonment.

The conviction can be appealed first to Japan's appeal court and later to the Supreme Court. Boone already is under an Army court-martial life sentence for the bludgeoning slaying of U. S. Army Specialist Edward K. Maunakea, 21, of Honolulu, last July 31. His court-martial included testimony that Miss Sasaki would lure victims to an isolated spot for Boone to rob them.

Camp Fire Groups Perform For PTA

By MRS. ARTHUR SELBY

The program for the Glide Parent-Teachers Assn. held this week was presented by the girls from the various groups of the Glide Camp Fire organization, the Blue Birds, the Camp Fire Girls and the Horizon Clubs.

The program was arranged and narrated by Gail Kelly and Norma Barker, members of the Waditaka Horizon Club, who are starting on their Torch Bearer rank in social leadership, the highest rank in the Camp Fire program.

The program was opened by the girls from the second grade Blue Bird group, who presented the Blue Bird wish and sang songs. Its leaders are Mrs. Arnold Hansen, Mrs. Ray Coffenberry, Mrs. R. Devitt and Mrs. Roy Hansen. Girls from the fourth grade group, presented a portion of the "fly-up," which is a graduation from Blue Birds into Camp Fire. Leaders of this group are, Mrs. Arnold Dupont and Mrs. D. O. n Wright. This group was assisted by members of the sixth grade Camp Fire Girls, led by Mrs. Charlie Stiffler and Mrs. Holz.

Present 'Symbol Story'
The fifth grade Camp Fire group presented a "symbol story." Leaders are Mrs. W. S. Hineshawe and Mrs. E. L. Keys. Mrs. Esther Elliott's seventh grade Camp Fire Girls, and some members of the 8th grade group, represented the seven crafts and Indian lore in the narration.

Members of the Hafrito Horizon Club, advised by Mrs. G. W. McClure and Mrs. Joe Walker; and the members of the Waditaka Horizon Club, advised by Mrs. Mert Weaver and Mrs. Singleton, gave resumes of their activities in the Horizon Club programs.

A display table was arranged by the third grade Blue Bird group and their leaders, Mrs. Bobbie Evans and Mrs. Haynes.

Cos Bay Newspaperman Gets Vehicles Position

SALEM (AP)—Kenneth E. Johnson, 28, managing editor of the Cos Bay Times, Tuesday was named deputy director of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

He is not related to director James E. Johnson, who said the cosmopolitan man will assume his duties April 8. The deputy post was created last July 1, but had not been filled.

Kenneth Johnson has been managing editor of the Cos Bay Times for a year and a half and formerly was on the staff of the Democrat-Herald at Albany. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon.

Myrtle Creek Schools To Hold Band Concert

The elementary schools of Myrtle Creek are presenting a concert, Tuesday, March 26, at 8 p.m. in the Myrtle Creek gymnasium.

Selections will be presented by the Junior High and Tri-City bands, Seventh and Eighth grade chorus and the Fifth and Sixth grade choruses.

The final numbers of the evening, "The Big Bass Drum" and "Hail to Our Country," will be presented by the combined groups. There is no admission and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

operates, as well as from ministers and other private citizens who think "something must be done" to preserve Oregon's reputation.

This pressure helped influence Senator Morse to take the Senate floor last week to question the whole procedure of the investigation that is underway, and Senator Neuberger to step into the Kleig-lighted lion's den itself and, in effect, shake a finger at the committees for not being fair to Portland, to the late Gov. Paul Patterson or to Portland Mayor Terry Schruk.

"I hold no brief for the people who have been called before the committee," Morse told the Senate, "but I do insist that the judgment of guilt or innocence should be determined by a jury of peers within the procedural safeguards of an American courtroom. That is why I call upon the law-enforcement officials of my state to carry out their public duty if they find that there is any basis in fact for any criminal charges against anyone involved in these hearings. It is through such criminal prosecutions in the courtrooms of my state that the important question of guilt or innocence should be determined, and not in a senate hearing."

Morse said he wasn't pinpointing the McClellan committee for criticism, because the racketeering investigation was following the "established practices and customs" of congressional investigations. But, as he has done for 12 years, Morse repeated his insistence that these procedures should be revised so that when a question of the guilt or innocence of a fellow American is before a Senate committee, the precious safeguards of procedures which are so essential to a fair trial in our country will be preserved and guaranteed to him in the interests of justice.

Morse was saying, in effect, no matter what the committee concludes about Schruk, Multnomah County District Attorney William Langley and others, this finding will not be conclusive; and only an Oregon court of law can justly determine their guilt or innocence.

In appearing before the committee itself, with Maurine at his side, Neuberger went to the length of enumerating the number of Portland's parks, churches and libraries to help counteract the impression that it is a wicked city. But the crux of his appeal was that he thought the committee should get all the statements it can that might counteract the slurs on Patterson and Schruk. No one questioned the appeal for Patterson, inasmuch as he is "a dead man who can't defend himself," as it was said, although there was a long rhubarb over who dragged the late governor into it in the first place. Racketeer Jim Elkins and Howard Morgan. The Schruk issue was quite another matter, for Neuberger testified:

"I have been informed that evidence exists to contradict the charges of alleged bribe-taking against the mayor of Portland."

Whether inadvertent or intended, this was a slap at the committee which brought obvious reaction from its members who considered this a challenge to their fairness.

When quizzed by Sen. Karl Mundt (R-S.D.) as to whether he was defending Schruk, Neuberger said he couldn't pass judgment on the case because, "all that I know of these hearings is what I have read in the newspapers." As for the "evidence" that would clear Schruk, Neuberger said this was only based on a story he had read in the Oregon Journal. The committee last week invited the editor of the Journal to present any information he had to support his newspaper's claim that Schruk was innocent, but the editor declined.

Blind Gymnast Set Thursday

Eddie Motter, blind gymnast, will appear at the Days Creek school, Thursday March 21, at 12:30 p.m.

Mr. Motter, high-point man for the UCLA gym for four years, has also ranked as one of the first three Pacific Coast Conference gymnasts and has gained national recognition. He has also perfected a hand balancing program which he uses in his programs.

Open House Slated For Winston Shop

A new business in Winston, Treva's Ceramics Studio, has scheduled an open house Friday.

Mrs. Otto (Treva) Jones, proprietor, has set the open house hours for the public from 1 to 5 p.m., according to correspondent Mrs. Ted Peterson.

The business will be located in the building also occupied by the Winston Locker Co. on Sherry Street. Mrs. Jones said the business will feature greenware and other ceramic supplies. Arrangements have also been made for "matt" glazes and firing. She said ceramics classes will also be conducted at her studio.

Mrs. Jones had a studio in Grants Pass before moving to Winston last year.

Busy Needle Club Holds Meeting In Days Creek

The "Busy Needles" Club of Days Creek held its fourth meeting recently at the Day Creek home economics room, according to Judith Ellefson.

Sewing group I learned how to straighten material for a head scarf. Sewing group II worked on a luncheon cloth and practiced sewing on scrap material.

A new vice-president, Arlene Gibson, was elected due to the resignation of the old one.

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