

Schrunk Takes Stand In Own Defense Today

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before last fall's election, when Schrunk defeated Peterson at the polls. The bribe story went before a grand jury before the election, but that grand jury did not indict Schrunk. Another grand jury did, last March.

Purcell, who resigned as police chief when Schrunk took office but who still is on the force as a captain, was on the stand earlier. He testified that he knows Elkins and Elliott. He was not asked about any frame-up plot.

Another defense witness, Robert W. Fink, was brought from the Washington state penitentiary, where he is serving time for forgery. He said a part-time bartender, Frank Daniels, promised him a job if he would testify he saw Schrunk pick up a bribe.

"As far as I know today, no actual bribe was taken," Fink said.

"He didn't say it was a frame, but I got the impression it was," he testified.

Daniels denied telling Fink there was a plot against Schrunk. He said he himself saw Bennett leave an envelope outside Bennett's gambling club and saw Schrunk pick it up a few minutes later. He said he happened to be there early that morning because he intended to ask Bennett for a job.

Two other persons previously testified they saw an envelope exchange between Bennett and Schrunk.

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Death Takes Steelmaster Ernest Weir

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Death came today in Philadelphia hospital for Ernest T. Weir, 81-year-old steelmaster, ardent champion of business' right to operate without interference by the government.

For many years prior to his retirement last April as board chairman and chief executive officer of National Steel Corp., Weir had been the only founder of a steel firm who continued to hold executive office in his company. National is the nation's fifth largest steel producer.

Cause of death was not disclosed immediately by the company spokesman, who said only that Weir had died in a Philadelphia hospital of complications following a heart attack.

Weir had suffered a heart attack last January in Florida. He was hospitalized in New York, after what a company spokesman described as minor surgery, when he announced his decision to retire as board chairman of National.

At that time he had said that "the welfare of National Steel Corp. will be my primary interest as long as I live," and said he had selected "an outstanding man" to succeed him as board chairman.

White no formal announcement has been made, Pittsburgh Steel and financial circles expect the post to go to Treas. Secretary George M. Humphrey after Humphrey's resignation from President Eisenhower's cabinet becomes effective.

Judge Finds Brewster Guilty Of Contempt

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"ascribed ulterior motives to the subcommittee,"

Sirica said the "question under inquiry" when Brewster appeared before the subcommittee was whether the true state of union finances was reflected in reports filed with government agencies, and if not what should be done about it.

"The constitutional power of Congress to inquire in this area is not in question here," Sirica said. "The power is broad. It encompasses inquiries concerning administration of existing laws as well as possibly needed statutes."

Before handing down his decision to postpone the verdict and permit additional legal arguments based on recent actions of the Supreme Court in contempt of Congress cases.

Sirica also ruled that Brewster, as a matter of law, did not purge himself of contempt before the subcommittee by his subsequent testimony before the Senate race investigating committee.

Churches Merge In Big Ceremony

CLEVELAND (AP) — A major new church—molded of the diverse elements of two historic old denominations—emerged on the American scene today.

President Eisenhower sent his commendations, saying: "Now, together, your services to God and neighbor will gain new strength and inspiration."

Merged into a single communion were the national bodies of the Congregational Christian Church and the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Affected are about 1,400,000 Congregationalists and 800,000 E. & R. Church members in 8,311 congregations across the country.

Their new denomination: The United Church of Christ.

It was ushered into being last night with pomp and worship and solemn vows.

Roseburg City Budget Passes In Light Vote

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in city tax rates may result, depending upon the outcome of the city assessor's evaluation report.

Total expenditures for the 1957-58 year have been set at \$718,821.44, higher than the \$638,651.18 during the past year. But increase in revenues from \$375,118 last year to \$465,350 for the coming fiscal year makes for a smaller taxable budget.

The total taxable budget in 1956-57 was \$263,533.18, about \$10,000 more than this year's taxable budget.

The \$95,780.44 above the 6 per cent limit approved by voters Tuesday is considerably below the \$140,723.04 approved last year, making this year's figure outside the 6 per cent limit one of the smallest ever proposed and approved in a city budget election in recent years.

Election results:

Voting Place	Yes	No	Total
Benson	26	18	42
Buena Vista	21	4	25
Courthouse	39	27	63
Rose School	51	34	85
City Hall	62	19	81
Roseburg Hotel	27	32	57
Senior High	65	25	90
Fullerton	53	16	69
Assembly of God	37	20	57
West Side Christian	19	19	38
Totals	442	214	656

Chou Says Reds Riding Higher Than Ever Now

HONG KONG (AP) — Premier Chou En-lai told Red China's Parliament today the Communist bloc is riding high and stronger than ever, but the United States is taking a beating all over the map.

In a 30,000-word speech at the opening session of Parliament, Chou declared that the unity of the Communist bloc is stronger now than before the Hungarian revolt.

He warned that world peace is constantly threatened by "war preparations under United States leadership." But he said the international situation was generally favorable to peace.

Peiping radio broadcast Chou's address to the session attended by Chairman Mao Tse-tung, other top Red officials and more than 1,000 deputies.

But Chou also disclosed that Red China had sentenced to death 168 per cent, or about one out of every six "counter-revolutionaries" taken prisoner between 1949 and 1952.

He gave no total. Previous reports attributed to Mao said 800,000 had been put to death. Chou said the death sentences were passed because the counter-revolutionaries had "committed heinous crimes and public wrath was extremely strong against them."

Chou singled out the "remarkable development of the Japanese people's struggle against U.S. armed occupation" as one peace-making factor.

Another, he declared, was a movement towards neutrality in "practically all U. S. - controlled countries" and an anti-American movement on Formosa after the United States stationed guided missiles there.

Car Wash Scheduled To Aid Scholarship

A car wash, sponsored by the Roseburg High School Nu Delta Club, will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Flying A Service station next to Mark's Super Market.

Proceeds will be used for the club scholarship which has been awarded to Gene Horn, Miss Wilma Caskey, club publicity chairman, said, Horn's scholarship totals \$200.

EAGLES CONVENE

MEDFORD (AP) — The Oregon Fraternal Order of Eagles opened a five-day convention here Wednesday.

Stassen Proposes International Control Program

LONDON (AP) — The United States Wednesday proposed that the big powers surrender certain specific quantities of heavy armaments to international control.

American delegate Harold E. Stassen told the five-power United Nations subcommittee on disarmament that his country is ready to turn over given quantities of war planes, tanks, heavy guns and other armaments to depots on American soil that would be under international control.

He proposed that the scheme be included in a limited disarmament treaty between Russia and the West.

The Soviet Union and other states also would be expected to transfer quantities of arms to depots under international control.

Stassen's proposal is part of an over-all program being presented to the subcommittee for consideration. Tuesday he proposed a three-phase program for reduction of U. S. and Soviet armed forces to reach an eventual figure of 1,700,000 men each. The Russians reserved judgment.

Pressed by Stassen for comment, Soviet Delegate Valerian Zorin told the committee he would have to have a better idea what political significance the issue would require before it would carry the troop reductions through.

In turn, Zorin rapped Stassen's failure to reply to Russia's offer June 14 to admit Western inspectors onto Russian soil if the United States and Britain would agree to a two-or three-year suspension of nuclear weapon tests.

Douglas County Chosen For Survey Of Soils

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search for particular purposes have been carried on, but never all uses on a long-term basis.

"Soil is the basic resource," he said, "and determination of soil types will allow future management of forest lands to be carried out properly, according to the types of soil."

Uses Examples

He listed several specific instances:

1. Engineering of roads. Many soils are not adaptable for road building because they do not remain solid.
2. Timber cutting practices. Different methods of cutting timber could be instituted, according to the erodibility of soils.
3. Reforestation. Some species of trees will grow well in one type of soil but not in another. For example, Douglas fir will not grow well on dense subsoil, while pine will.

Basic classification and mapping of the forest soils and vegetation will give the Forest Service the tools with which to determine the best uses for land for a long period of time, Hallin concluded.

Wife Swapper's New Wife Will Stand By Him

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (AP) — A wife-swapping truck driver was held Wednesday on a charge of murdering his ex-wife and their young son, and his new wife said: "I will stand by him."

A preliminary charge filed against Thomas Whitaker, 36, charging him with the fatal shooting of Mrs. Alma Whitaker, 36, and Jack Whitaker, 11.

Whitaker's daughter, Regina Louanne, 9, was wounded critically in the gun battle in the darkened home of her stepfather, Stewart Martin, 40, a successful photographer, in suburban Westwood early Tuesday. Martin suffered a leg wound.

Mrs. Dorothy Martin Whitaker, who divorced Martin and married Whitaker, embraced the husky deliveryman in the Vigo County jail after he surrendered. Both couples had been close friends in a dancing club before the wife trading.

Whitaker entered no plea when he was arraigned, and Justice of the Peace Lee Easton set bail at \$50,000.

Police said Whitaker had been threatening the Martins while he was trying to work out a court-approved plan to take his children more often. Both couples were divorced last October, followed by the wife-trading.

Lady Marine Sergeant To Test Applicants

A lady marine sergeant will be in Roseburg Friday to interview and test interested applicants for a three-year enlistment in the Marine Corps auxiliary.

Sgt. Barney Shanks, marine recruiter here, said an appointment will be arranged by contacting him in the basement of the courthouse.

BICYCLE STOLEN

Roseburg police learned of another bicycle theft Tuesday when Frank McIntyre, 1240 SE Stephens St., reported his stolen. Officers were told the bicycle was taken from in front of the Methodist Church on Main Street while he was attending a Boy Scout supper.

FIRE REPORTED

No damage was reported in a fire which started in sawdust on the roof of the Oerding Building at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

The one-story building is located at the corner of Northeast Wilson Avenue and Jackson Street. The fire started from sparks emerging from a burner, firemen said.

Robert Vogeler, One-Time Prisoner Of Reds, Broke, Faces Eviction From Home

NEW YORK (AP) — Robert A. Vogeler, the businessman once held a prisoner by Red Hungary, faces eviction from his home in Bedford, N.Y., The New York Mirror said Wednesday.

"I am flat broke," he was quoted as saying.

His \$65,000, 19-room home where he lives with his wife and two sons is scheduled to be sold July 22 in a mortgage foreclosure action.

Vogeler obtained a \$20,000 mortgage on the house from the Equitable Life Assurance Society in September, 1952, and the company contends \$16,738 is due.

"I also owe about \$3,000 in back taxes," Vogeler said, "so I've got to raise about \$20,000 in the next three weeks or so."

He granted the prospects were not promising. He is trying to make a financial comeback in a modest electronics plant in Byram, Conn.

Vogeler was a \$15,000 a year vice president of the International Telephone & Telegraph Co. when he was arrested in 1949 in Budapest. He was sentenced to 15 years in prison in 1950 on a spy charge and was released April 28, 1951, after State Department negotiations.

After his return to the United States, where he received a virtual hero's welcome, he devoted much time to lecturing against communism.

After about a year, he returned to his I.T. & T. job. "I had nothing to do but read a newspaper," The Mirror quoted him as saying.

"I guess that was one way of keeping me off radio and making TV appearances. I got fed up and went to a top official and said I wanted to be put to work or quit. I believe that's exactly what they wanted me to do."

He filed a \$500,000 suit against the company in 1953 to compensate him "for what I went through." It was settled the next year for \$50,000, the newspaper said. Then financial reverses piled up.

Vogeler was unavailable for comment on The Mirror story.

Camas Valley Seeks Extension For Budget Vote

The Camas Valley School District may apply to the rural school board for an extension of the July 15 deadline for submitting an approved budget for tax assessment, according to James Combs, school board chairman.

Tuesday was the last day on which an election date could be announced to make the deadline. If the district does not hold another election, it will have to operate without the planned \$6,256.63 levy above the 6 per cent limitation. The balloting on that levy on May 24 was ruled invalid because about half the ballots carried a figure \$1,000 less due to a typographical error. It had passed 71-46.

Without the additional levy, the district would still be authorized by the May 24 ballot to raise \$8,050 above the rural school district allotment by taxes to complete a reduced budget of \$85,615.57.

Meanwhile, the board has until July 17 to set a date for an election for the two board terms vacated by a recall election on June 17. After that date, the county school board superintendent is authorized to appoint persons to fill their posts.

The vacancies include three years of the four-year term of A. A. Schafer and one year of the three-year term of Henry Cummings.

Woodworkers Union Inks G-P Contract

PORTLAND (AP) — Thirty-five hundred International Woodworkers of America members employed by Georgia-Pacific and Willamette National lumber plants will receive 5-cent hourly pay boosts under a contract approved Tuesday.

Bly Haskins, union spokesman, reported that the workers had voted acceptance of the offer, which affects Georgia-Pacific plants in the three Pacific Coast states and Willamette National's Oregon operations.

Biddington Rites Set On Thursday

Funeral services for Milford Charles Biddington Sr., 42, will be held in The Chapel of the Roses Thursday at 11 a.m. Bishop Fred Waugh of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will officiate.

Biddington died June 18 and was found at his home on June 24. He was born July 24, 1914, in Hillsboro and had lived in Roseburg for the past 21 years. He was an employee of the Roseburg Lumber Co. and a member of the Lumber & Sawmill Workers Union Local 2949 of Roseburg.

Surviving are: His wife, Louise of Roseburg; three sons, Milford Jr., U. S. Marines stationed in San Diego; Floyd, U. S. Navy stationed out of New York; Johnnie of Roseburg; a sister, Mrs. Sarah Watts of Portland, and his grandmother, Mrs. Martha Miller, also of Portland.

BURGLARY REPORTED

Burglary of a milkhouse on his farm near Melrose was reported Tuesday by Harry Hagen Sr. of Winston to the sheriff's office. He said a 22-caliber pellet gun and two wrenches had been taken but did not know when the break-in occurred. He valued the air rifle at \$20.

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Nixon Gets Backing From Governors For 1960 Top Race

By JACK BELL

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (AP) — Vice President Nixon showed up today with some solid support from Midwestern Republicans who may have a great deal to say about the 1960 Republican presidential nominee.

Nixon's name cropped up in conjecture about the next Republican nominee as governors at their 49th annual conference discussed President Eisenhower's proposal to transfer to the states some of the functions now carried on by the national government.

The governors indicated they will give skeptical approval to Eisenhower's plan for a task force study of the idea.

Generally, the suggestion was greeted with a political yawn. The governors were much more interested behind the scenes in the identity of the man who will carry their banner in 1960.

Gov. Goodwin J. Knight denied he had any deal with Nixon to crowd out Sen. William Knowland of California, the Senate's Republican leader, from the presidential race.

Knight made it clear he is going to run for governor, even if Knowland opposes him.

Knight, who joined with Knowland to clobber Nixon two years ago in a contest over Republican party organization control in California, offered no public criticism of Nixon.

Republican governors in key states indicated they like the looks of Nixon in the absence of any other top challenger for the nomination.

LOCAL NEWS

The Melrose Home Economics Club will meet for a dessert supper at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the home of Mrs. Nellie Myers.

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Court Martial Metes Out Terms For Taipei Riot

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP) — A court-martial Wednesday meted out prison terms ranging from five months to a year to 11 persons charged with complicity in Taipei's anti-American riots.

Seventeen other defendants received suspended sentences of from two to six months. Two were acquitted, and 10 others found guilty were released for extenuating circumstances.

Those sentenced to less than six months whose terms were not suspended can stay out of jail by paying a fine of three Formosan dollars (nine U.S. cents) a day.

Sentenced to one year were Chen Cheng Chiu, convicted as the ringleader of the outburst May 24, and Lu Po Chen, who served 12 months in 1950-51 as a Communist spy. Lu was accused of tearing down the American flag on the U.S. embassy during the riots.

The outburst was brought on by resentment at a U. S. court-martial's acquittal of M. Sgt. Robert G. Reynolds of Colorado, Md. Reynolds shot and killed a Chinese