

# Indonesia Ready To Talk Over New Guinea Dispute

JAKARTA, Indonesia. — Foreign Minister Subandrio told Parliament Saturday Indonesia is ready to negotiate the West New Guinea dispute but The Netherlands must make the initiative. Subandrio said a solution may be sought through "negotiation or reconciliation" if the Dutch are prepared to settle the question peacefully. He said Indonesia on four occasions had tried unsuccessfully outside the United Nations to negotiate, the foreign minister declared. "It is now up to the Dutch."

## Puts Out Feelers

(In the Hague, reliable sources said Indonesian Premier Djuanda has put out feelers to see whether The Netherlands will discuss relations between the two countries, badly strained since Indonesia began a pressure campaign against the Dutch in the island republic three weeks ago.

(Asked whether there is a possibility of discussions, Dutch Foreign Minister Joseph Luns said: "I would certainly not say no.") The Netherlands previously has expressed willingness to talk, but not about West New Guinea, which Indonesia demands.

## Says Reports Erroneous

Subandrio told a tense and crowded session of Parliament that news reports abroad were erroneous in saying Indonesia had ordered a mass evacuation of the 46,000 Dutchmen in the country. He said that Indonesia promised to facilitate the departure of unemployed Dutch subjects — estimated at 9,000 — and Dutchmen not regarded as necessary for the country.

## Grant County Judge Rebuffs Recall Effort By 2-7 Vote Margin

JOHN DAY — Grant County Judge O. L. Dickens Friday rebuffed by a margin of more than 2-1 an attempt to recall him from office.

Complete but unofficial returns from 12 of the county's 13 precincts showed that 1,323 persons voted to keep Dickens in office, while 324 voted to recall him.

The precinct still to be counted has only 47 registered voters.

Judge Dickens said he was gratified over the outcome of the election, which was prompted by a group unhappy over a new wage and hour pact given county road employees.

The group backing the recall movement said the road workers should have been given higher wages and shorter hours.

Dickens said prior to the election that the road employees were given a 40-hour week and wages comparable to those paid in other Grant County trades.

Turnout Good — Mrs. Elma Campbell, the deputy county clerk, said the turnout of voters was good. Slightly less than half of the county's 3,763 registered voters went to the polls on a rainy, wind-swept day.

Dickens, who has been a county judge nearly nine years, said, "I certainly do feel good. We have free elections. It's the choice of the people. That's the way we do things."

"I don't think anyone can question the outcome. I have always tried to do my best. And I shall continue to," he said.

The recent wage and hour pact gives the county road crew wages granted by the three-man county court, of which the 63-year-old Dickens is a member.

Dickens waged no campaign against the recall movement, but he said a county-wide organization worked on his behalf prior to election day.

Dickens has lived in this Eastern Oregon county since 1910. A veteran of World War I, he formerly was a day laborer, operator of a general store and a post office employe.

## Thirty-Year Resident Here Dies On Saturday

Lee Davenport, 76, a resident of Roseburg for the past 30 years, died Saturday morning in a local hospital.

He was born Nov. 10, 1881, in Mississippi and was a member of the First Christian Church, Oakland.

Surviving are his wife, Mabel Roseburg; a son, Lambert E. Hamm, Portland; a daughter, Mrs. Eva Meister, Fort Smith, Ark.; two brothers, Al Davenport, Roseburg, and Dewey Davenport, Huntington Park, Calif.; and a sister, Mrs. Mittie Hatfield, Huntington Park, Calif.

The body has been removed to The Chapel of the Roses. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## SERVICES HELD

Funeral services for DeWitt Clinton McGehee, 83, McMinnville, were held in Portland Thursday. He was a railroader and farmer at Roseburg for many years.

A survivor is a sister, Belle Hamblin of Canyonville.

# Rep. Porter Terms SP Issue Urgent; Urges PUC Action

An "urgent" tab on the railroad-passenger service dispute in Southern Oregon has been tacked to it by U. S. Rep. Charles O. Porter, who this week renewed efforts toward bringing the matter before the Public Utilities Commission. Porter, Fourth Congressional District representative, has contacted PUC Commissioner Howard Morgan in Salem, prompting "action as soon as possible." He states, in a letter to Morgan, that he anticipated that a brief against the Southern Pacific Railroad Co. would be filed before this time.

Porter, several weeks ago, "to press for action in the case of the railroad's abandoning service to passengers in part of the Fourth Congressional District." But, he adds, he withheld such action on advice of one of the PUC staff members, who said that it was in the process of being filed.

## Was To File Brief

The brief referred to is based on the announced intentions of State Sen. Philip B. Lowry of Eugene, as appearing in the Dec. 9 edition of the Eugene Register-Guard, in which he claimed that he was going to file a brief against the SP "in a week or two."

Porter says he wishes to be brought up to date on the present status of the problem, as relating to the brief, and urges immediate attention by the PUC to this matter.

He points out his own personal activity in regard to the railroad-passenger service controversy, citing that he has initiated steps to bring the matter before the California Public Utilities Commission, "insofar as the SP Co. appears to be shunning its franchise in the public's interest."

Porter states that his reference here "is to the company's action which in 1950 terminated service from the Dunsuir, Calif. area to the Oregon-California border, which I believe to be a forerunner to its 1955 service curtailment."

## Fredrick Becker, Dies Here On Friday

Fredrick Becker, 45, life-long resident of Roseburg, died at a local hospital Friday.

He was born Sept. 6, 1912, near the old Cleveland Post Office, west of Roseburg and was married in Roseburg on Aug. 25, 1936 to Ethel Krohn. He was engaged in farming for many years and of late was employed by the Douglas Veneer Co. in logging road construction.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. E. Becker, Roseburg; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Frances) Frazier of Chemulup, and Joyce Marie Becker of Roseburg; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Alfred Becker, Roseburg; two brothers, Walter E. Becker, Sutherlin, and Roy Becker, Roseburg, and one grandchild.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Long and Orr Mortuary, Monday, at 2:30 p.m. with the Rev. Dr. Eugene Gerlitz of the First Baptist Church officiating. Concluding services and interment will follow in the Cleveland Cemetery.

## Hayhurst Club Dinner Success

By MRS. GEORGE EDES  
Hayhurst Community Club reported its annual ham dinner proceeds amounted to \$120 after expenses were paid. The money will be used for the benefit fund in January and March.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith McKirdy made a business trip to Eastern Oregon last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williams received word that their son, David, is now stationed in Memphis, Tenn. for more schooling in the Navy.

Mrs. Naomi Isgar, mother of Mrs. Wayne Phillips of Yoncalla and well known in this community, is seriously ill in the Sacred Heart Hospital, Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Baker will spend a few days in Portland this week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Edes will spend this week in Eugene with their two daughters.

## Sen. Morse Praises Ike For NATO Keynote Talk

BANGKOK, Thailand. — Sen. Morse (D-Ore.), frequent critic of the administration, Friday night said President Eisenhower's keynote speech at the recent NATO conference was "a great one."

Morse said the speech at the NATO summit conference will "be ranked by historians" as one of Eisenhower's best.

The speech, he said, "set forth in understandable language America's dedication to peace."

Morse said that "if the President proceeds to implement the principles he spoke of, he will have no stronger backer than I."

The senator made the remarks as he stopped off here en route home from a trip to India.

# New Telephone Numbers Given Canyonville Area

By VIRGINIA PROCTOR  
Service men of the California Pacific Utilities corporation, and the telephone company servicing the Canyonville area, are busy this week giving all local subscribers new numbers with a Jefferson prefix. Change-over date is slated for Jan. 1.

The telephone company will issue new books about a week before the cut-over date, according to information received from the business office. A new building and new cables in Canyonville to separate the many-partied lines in the city precedes the Jan. 1 cut-over date.

## Cook Books On Sale

The Wesleyan Guild of the Canyonville Methodist church is selling unusual cook books entitled, "Snack Time Symphony," a publication supported by local merchants advertising with copies available at Baris Auto Parts or from any guild member.

At the regular meeting guild members sipped candy for the Sunday school Christmas treat to follow the program Sunday evening and decorated the church Christmas tree.

Raymond Carson of Canyonville reportedly spent a restful night following emergency surgery at Myrtle Creek hospital last Thursday afternoon.

Carson was stricken suddenly on the job at Hanna Nickel and rushed to the hospital where he was in surgery for three and one-half hours. According to Mrs. Carson his condition is still critical.

The Carson's daughter, Mrs. Frank MacArthur, and her family of Portland are expected to spend the holidays here. An older son, Douglas Carson, left last week for India, serving with the Merch Marine.

## Brewster's Single Control Of West's Teamsters Ended

SEATTLE. — A Teamsters Union official has confirmed that Frank Brewster's one-man control of the 375,000-member Western Conference of Teamsters has ended.

Sam E. Franklin of Seattle, secretary-treasurer of the conference, said Thursday Brewster will remain as president but that his authority has been limited. Brewster also is of Seattle.

Franklin said his own responsibilities were expanded. He said the action was taken at a meeting held earlier this week by the conference's policy committee and executive board.

A rumored proposal to move the conference headquarters from Seattle to San Francisco was not discussed, he said.

Franklin said he felt the meeting was "very successful" from the standpoint of working out arrangements between union officers and members.

The major steps taken during the two-day meeting, Franklin said, included a shift of much authority from the president to himself, establishment of new controls on conference funds and a general trend toward a greater concentration in conference affairs by its 36-man policy committee.

## Frank A. Miller Passes At Age 90

Frank A. Miller, 90, a resident of Roseburg for the past 34 years, died Friday in a local hospital.

Born Oct. 12, 1867, in Kansas, he was married to Anna Wright Steele in 1888 at Bolivar, Mo. He resided in Colorado before moving to Oregon in 1923. He lived in Coquille before coming to Roseburg.

His wife died in 1941. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. May Snod, Roseburg, and Mrs. Eva Palmer Carlsbad, N.M.; two sons, Jesse Miller, Myrtle Point, and Perrie Miller, Coquille; 16 grandchildren, 75 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

The body has been removed to The Chapel of the Roses. Funeral services will be held Monday in Coquille at 10 a.m. following at Odd Fellows Cemetery.

## Mayer Leaves Estate Estimated At \$14 Million

LOS ANGELES. — Movie executive Louis B. Mayer's widow has asked the court for a \$15,000 monthly allowance pending distribution of his estate.

Mrs. L. Zona Danker Mayer's petition, filed yesterday, estimated the estate at 12 million dollars. Mrs. Mayer, 50, who married the screen magnate in 1918, will get \$750,000 under his will.

Her daughter by a former marriage, Miss Suzanne Mayer, 20, whom Mayer adopted, receives \$200,000. The widow asked the allowance for support of herself and her daughter.

## Billy Eckstine Agrees To Paternity Settlement

LOS ANGELES. — A court has approved an agreement by which singer Billy Eckstine promises to pay \$750 a month support of two sons born out of wedlock.

The agreement between the 43-year-old night club singer and Carlisle Drake, 34, was submitted yesterday. She filed a paternity suit 12 months ago alleging Eckstine reneged on a promise to marry her after his divorce from Mrs. June Eckstine became final.

Eckstine acknowledged paternity of Edward, 4, and Guy, 17-months, but a \$1,500 at Miss Drake's original demand, \$1,500 a month.

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LITTLE AMERICA, Antarctica. — U.S. scientists warned officially Saturday that a big Russian tractor train reached the vicinity of the geomagnetic South Pole last Monday.

Information received by the Antarctic headquarters of the International Geophysical Year said 27 men and 10 tractors from the Soviet coastal station of Mirny reached the area where a Russian station is planned.

The Russians also said they had no plans to launch a Soviet earth satellite from the Antarctic, as has been rumored.

The Soviet scientists said, however, that the Russian icebreaker Ob will launch meteorological rockets in western Antarctica before returning home. The icebreaker sent up some rockets in the South Atlantic before reaching Mirny with personnel and supplies.

## Cross High Plateau

Soviet scientists reported that their tractor train passed over a plateau with a maximum elevation of 12,500 feet above sea level. The train reached Vostok II, almost 900 miles from the U.S. base at the geographic South Pole, but only a few miles from the geomagnetic pole.

The magnetic pole is one of the points at which the earth's magnetic lines of force would seem to converge if seen from outer space. The other is in the Arctic. Both are of interest to mappers and other scientists.

Answering questions sent by U.S. scientists, the Russians said they had recorded winds up to 134 miles an hour one night at Bunge's Hill, near a Russian coastal station 200 miles west of Mirny. This is apparently not an Antarctic record.

The lowest temperature the Russians experienced was 24 degrees below zero, recorded at Vostok II, 400 miles south of Mirny. U.S. scientists have recorded 102.1 below at the geographic pole.

## Eugene Hurst Dies Saturday

Eugene Douglas Hurst, 88, a Roseburg resident for 22 years, died early today at a local hospital.

Born in Ohio, Sept. 1, 1869, Hurst and Daisy Adell Draper were married at Wahoo, Neb. Nov. 30, 1891. He preceded his death on July 7, 1956. They came to Roseburg from Nebraska in 1945.

Hurst was a member of the Plainville, Neb. Christian Church. Surviving are five children, Earl R. Hurst, Ashland, Neb.; Mrs. Charles (Marie) Shultz, Utan, Neb.; Mrs. Harold (Hazel) Sanders, Roseburg; Mrs. Bernice Heldt, Eugene; Mrs. Harlow (Gladys) Wagner, Roseburg. He also is survived by two brothers, Oliver P. Hurst, Pomona, Calif., and Louis W. Hurst, Woodward, Okla., 16 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of Long & Orr Mortuary on Monday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Newell Morgan of the First Christian Church officiating. Vault interment will follow in the Roseburg Memorial Gardens.

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# Child Opens Christmas Presents Before Being Orphaned By Gunfire

WACO, Tex. — Friday night 7-year-old Dana Joe Anderson opened his Christmas presents five days early. Saturday he was orphaned by gunfire.

Shots from a hunting rifle in the hands of his father, food store manager Dan Anderson, 31, killed the boy's mother, Mrs. Louise Anderson, 27. Then Anderson took his own life.

Anderson took his son Christmas shopping Friday, buying gifts liberally. In the evening, on impulse, they opened an exchange gifts happily at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Heath O'Brian, brother-in-law and sister of Mrs. Anderson.

Mrs. Anderson, en route to a beauty shop appointment, stopped at the O'Brian home to pick up Dana Joe, who left him for the visit with his father Friday.

Anderson had a 30-30 rifle in his hands when his ex-wife arrived.

Without warning he gestured for his wife to accompany him into the living room.

"What are you doing?" Mrs. O'Brian heard her sister ask.

"Shut up," replied Anderson.

There was a shot, and the others dashed into the room. They had time to see Anderson pull the rifle's muzzle to his chest, waver a moment and then pull the trigger.

## DeForest Bliss Funeral Services Scheduled Sunday

Funeral services for DeForest Bliss, 78, former resident of Eldridge, who died suddenly at his home in Ashland Thursday, will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the chapel of Ganz Mortuary, Myrtle Creek. Elder Neal Losey of the Seventh-day Adventist Church will officiate.

Interment will follow in IOOF Cemetery, Myrtle Creek.

Bliss was born in Iowa on May 21, 1879. He was married to Cora Belle Davis on Oct. 20, 1908, at Portland. She died in 1959.

He lived in Riddle in 1945-46 and resided in Ashland for the past five years. He was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Ben and Willard, both of Myrtle Creek; and Merrill, Eagle Point; four daughters, Mrs. Edward Mann, The Dalles; Mrs. William Olmsted, Longview, Wash.; Mrs. Ernest Kandoll, Grays River, Wash.; and Mrs. Marshal Butler, Albany; 24 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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WASHINGTON. — Mistletoe hangs amid red ribbons on the great gold and glass lantern in the north entrance hall of the White House.

It's part of the special Christmas decorations, including eight Yule trees, set up just in time for President Eisenhower's arrival from Paris.

The President and his family plan to be in the White House Christmas Day — for the third year in a row.

When Eisenhower returned Friday, he found his house at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. gay with poinsettias, red carnations, Christmas tree ornaments and bright greenery.

With its traditional decorations, the White House reported Saturday, it has included a series of three Nativity scenes in light blue cases in the gold-decorated east ballroom.

Nearby stands an 18-foot balsam fir, decorated with tinsel and white lights. The biggest tree in the White House, it was the gift of the New Hampshire-Vermont Christmas Tree Assn.

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