

Atlas Launching Declared Success



POLIO WORKERS — The Roseburg Jay-C-Ettes will sponsor the Mothers' March on Polio in Roseburg again this year, and Mrs. Robert Raffensperger and Mrs. Donald Croucher, above, will serve as co-chairmen. The event will be Jan. 30 between 6:15 and 7:15 p.m. Mrs. Raffensperger was co-chairman here last year; Mrs. Croucher has worked on similar drives in Myrtle Creek and Medford. Captains will be appointed this week, and they in turn will pick block mothers. (Paul Jenkins)

Cloverdale Rehabilitation Aimed To Restore Addition To Place In This Community

The rehabilitation of the Cloverdale Homes Addition north of Roseburg is designed to restore the addition to "its rightful place in the community."

This was the contention Thursday by Howard C. Heydlauff, assistant director of the Portland Housing Administration.

He and Vernon Satter of Seattle, area sanitary engineer for FHA, were in Roseburg to inspect the water distribution system of the addition before paving starts on the streets.

"We feel we have an obligation to that community," Heydlauff said, "and it is our aim to restore confidence in FHA housing."

To Raise Standards

He said the FHA had definitely set its sights on raising the standards of the Cloverdale houses to a first-class level, so both the Roseburg community and the occupants of the addition's homes could be proud. He said the work would go ahead as quickly as possible on the half-million-dollar job.

The FHA has already let contracts for street grading, paving, curbing and installation of storm sewers for most of the project. A single contract was let for installation of new perimeter heating systems in 117 of the homes.

Two other contracts have been awarded local contractors. J. R. McAllister is installing storm sewers and doing the project grading, and Roseburg Paving Co. is grading and paving streets and installing curbs. Heydlauff said local companies will always be invited to take part in bidding for contracts.

Bids Under Study

Now under study in Washington, D.C., are bids for the general contracting on the houses themselves. This work will be contracted in designated blocks of houses. The first general contract will involve 40 homes near the entrance of the addition on Northeast Alameda Avenue.

Heydlauff called this the first phase of the "complete rehabilitation" of the homes.

"With planned lot grading, street paving, installation of curbs and necessary rehabilitation of individual property, it is felt Cloverdale will take its rightful place in the Roseburg community," he said.

Heydlauff related that the homes, when put into the top-notch condition would be sold through local realtors. The sales will include two and three bedroom homes with or without fireplaces. He said prices of the houses would be geared to the local economy.

He also emphasized that the FHA would make efforts not to put up large blocks of houses for sale at once so that the local real estate economy will not be shaken.

Heydlauff indicated that some of the houses would probably be sold on an "as is" basis, but only if the buyers agree to rejuvenate them in accordance with FHA specifications.

The housing project fell into disrepute after it was found the area was unsatisfactorily drained. In the 180-home addition, approximately 120 have been taken over by the FHA on defaulted contracts of the former owners who found the houses unsatisfactory.

Non-Political Probe Of Military Asked

WASHINGTON — House Armed Services committee, organizing for a sweeping investigation of the military establishment, was admonished today to avoid "seeking political advantage."

"Our problem demands an American solution, not a political solution," Chairman Vinson (D-Cal.) said in a statement prepared for the closed-door session.

The committee members gathered to make final arrangements for what was expected to be the most exhaustive House inquiry in almost a decade into the U.S. military establishment. The first witnesses will appear Monday, led by Secretary of Defense McNamara.

"The purpose of the hearing is to fully explore our military situation in its entirety and then promptly take such legislative action as may be required by the facts," Vinson said.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Grist from the rumor mill: Whether or not Russia had launched a MAN-CARRYING MISSILE remains a 364 question as this is written. Reports last night, unconfirmed from any official source, said the Soviet Union had sent a man 186 miles into space and brought him back alive. World scientists viewed the rumors with reserve and said "It's remarkable if true."

Keep your fingers crossed. It could be true.

In these modern days, almost anything can be true.

But—Let's not get scared. Americans have met every challenge yet—and there have been

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The Weather

Showers and partial clearing today and tonight. Mostly cloudy with rain Saturday. Gusty winds today.

Highest temp. last 24 hours	40
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	43
Highest temp. any Jan.	45
Lowest temp. any Jan.	9
Precip. last 24 hours	.14
Precip. from Jan. 1	.48
Precip. from Sept. 1	18.18
Excess from Sept. 1	3.17

Sunset tonight, 4:37 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:44 a.m.

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Bulganin's Plea Cold-Shouldered By Washington

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON — Russia's latest and most insistent demand for an East-West summit conference on crucial cold war issues got intensive study — and a cold reaction — today in official Washington.

In a message to President Eisenhower, Bulganin said he proposes to call an East-West summit meeting, perhaps in Geneva, in the next two or three months.

Pravda said Bulganin's message went to the 15 NATO nations and the other countries of the 82-member United Nations. Moscow radio said Switzerland and other nations not in the U.N. also received messages.

There was no evidence the United States intends to change its basic policy against having a new top-level meeting under present conditions.

Policy Stated

The policy is that any such conference must be preceded by careful diplomatic exploration and evidence that the Soviet government is prepared to make concessions in its position on such issues as disarmament and German reunification.

Officials here were aware, however, that Bulganin's new diplomatic broadside may generate new hope in Europe for reducing the dangers of a devastating nuclear war.

Secretary of State Dulles was reported to have expressed some optimism on the prospect of resuming disarmament negotiations below the summit level. Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark.) said Dulles, in talking with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, "expressed some hope about the future."

"He said he had reasons to believe Russia might be more able to discuss disarmament than that something may develop out of that which would improve the climate for negotiation," Fulbright added, but said Dulles did not discuss his reasons.

Fulbright and several other members agreed, in commenting on the Russian note, that a summit conference is not indicated now, but they said there is a need for preliminary "feeler" negotiations.

Bandits Caught Following Fight In Mountains

BAKER, Ore. — A gunfire-accented search ended late Thursday night when State Police cornered a man in a mountain canyon and captured him after a burst of shots.

No one was hit despite three gunfights.

A four-man search party tracked Wesley Earl Davis, 30, five miles through snow and heavily timbered hills before trapping him.

A few hours earlier they had captured his companion, Jack Norman Gibbs, 18, after a gunfight in a deserted house on a backwoods road.

Gibbs and Davis escaped Monday from a jail at Anacortes, Wash., by making a key to unlock their cell door.

The men, both from Portland, had been jailed on charges of car theft and armed robbery.

Police Corner Davis

State Police Lt. Lyle Harrell said the police squad cornered Davis after surrounding him in a canyon in the mountains 35 miles east of Baker.

Davis at first refused to surrender, but gave up after several shots were fired at him, Harrell said. Davis was not hit.

Police closed in on the two men Thursday night when they took refuge in the deserted house after officers spotted their car on a seldom used mountain road.

Harrell said the men refused to surrender and began firing two pistols. Police answered with several bursts from a submachine gun.

Gibbs then ran from the house shouting "I've had enough," while Davis threw down his gun and dashed into the nearby woods.

Search Began Wednesday

The intense search began late Wednesday when state policeman Donald Gore was dispatched and his car stolen by two men near

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Proposal Would Increase Chamber Directors To 21

A proposal to increase the board of directors of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce from 12 to 21 will be submitted to the chamber membership Jan. 20 for a vote.

Under an amendment to the chamber bylaws, seven new members would be elected each year for three years.

If the proposal is approved, a nominating committee is to prepare a ballot of 18 candidates to be submitted to the membership by mail.

The three candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be the next three highest to two years; and the third three highest, to one year.

Directors said a bigger board would tend to be more representative, have a greater diversity of opinion and be better coordinated.

Speaker at the Jan. 20 meeting will be H. E. Schmeier, manager of the Roseburg branch of the U. S. National Bank, who will talk on the economic outlook for 1958.

Parents Charged With Murdering Daughter

CHOWCHILLA, Calif. — Claude and Opal Schindler were charged Thursday with murdering their four-year-old daughter, Sandra.

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Oakland Water Improvement Report Submitted

An extensive report on the improvement of water for Oakland was presented to the Oakland City Council by City Attorney Donald Kelley at this week's council meeting.

The report was based on a statement by the Oregon Water Co., according to Edith Dunn, News-Review correspondent, and gave rates for different locations of a filter.

The council also learned that no allotment has been made for Oakland streets this year by the State Highway Commission.

Mrs. Betty Early represented the city library and the council voted to spend \$50 for the maintenance of the library. Council members also awarded \$500 to the fire department.

Lynn McNabb attended the meeting regarding the sale of his property for the extension of Oak Street. A final offer has been made for the right of way, which cuts across his property.

All building permits for the year have not been tabulated, but one of the largest evaluations for permits issued was for the new Presbyterian Church which cost \$42,000.

The city grader has been repaired and is reportedly in good working condition again.

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VICTORY of the Stumbo clan leader, Robert G. Stumbo, is discussed over coffee shortly after the charge against him was dismissed in district court. Stumbo, again sporting a heavy mustache, gestures as he sits between his Medford attorneys, Alan B. Holmes (left) and Robert Boyer. Stumbo was scheduled to go on trial Thursday on a charge of illegally subdividing into tiny squares a strip of land crossing Highway 99. When Dist. Atty. Avery Thompson was unsuccessful in getting a continuance to give more time to obtain witnesses, the D.A. moved for dismissal. Stumbo's next court appearance is slated for Jan. 27 when he is due to come into circuit court to defend a condemnation suit brought by the Highway Commission. Again it is Stumbo Strip which is the center of the controversy. (Paul Jenkins)

Eisenhower Seeks Nearly \$74 Billion For Budget

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower will send to Congress Monday a missile age budget calling for \$74,800,000,000 or more in spending and an increase in the federal debt ceiling, government informants said today.

The new budget, covering the 1959 fiscal year starting next July 1, will be precariously balanced, as Eisenhower hinted in his State of the Union message yesterday.

But the President will notify Congress that the supposedly balanced budget for the present government year is now expected to show a small deficit instead of a planned 14-billion-dollar surplus, officials disclosed.

Eisenhower reportedly will attribute the return to deficit financing to two factors: (1) A \$1,300,000,000 increase in scheduled defense department outlays; and (2) a drop of about a billion dollars in estimated revenues, caused by declining business profits and personal income.

The deficit will be well under half a billion dollars, informants said, but the return to red ink is a major disappointment to the administration. Only three months ago the administration announced it would have its third balanced budget in a row.

The same causes — faster military spending, slower tax collections — will oblige Eisenhower to seek a temporary, "slight" increase in the 275-billion-dollar ceiling on the public debt, administration sources said.

The expected budget request of

4 Cottage Grove Children Found

EUGENE — Four Cottage Grove youngsters who ran away from home New Year's Day and were the objects of a widespread police search through the following week were being held at Skipworth Juvenile Home Friday, pending an investigation by juvenile authorities.

Meanwhile, the district attorney's office was continuing its investigation of the part played by Kenneth Whitlow, 45-year-old Scottsboro logger who returned the youngsters to Cottage Grove early Thursday.

Whitlow reportedly told police that he had picked up the quartet of runaways hitchhiking near Cottage Grove on Jan. 1. He said he took them to Yamhill, to his home at Scottsboro and to Reedsport before turning them over to Cottage Grove police at 1:30 a.m. Jan. 9.

Whitlow was questioned by police and a deputy district attorney at Cottage Grove Thursday and then released. The youngsters, June, Geraldine and Lloyd Williams, ages 14, 13, and 11, and Nancy Whitlow, 14, also were questioned at Cottage Grove and then brought to Eugene to the juvenile home.

Parents of the children are Mr. and Mrs. Odus Williams, Lorane Route, and William H. Whitlow, Cottage Grove.

Albania Promises U. S. Flier To Be Released

LONDON — Albania announced Friday night U.S. Maj. Howard Curran, forced down by Communist fighters just before Christmas, had been allowed to leave in his T-33 jet plane.

Tirana Radio said no measures were taken against the Tacoma, Wash., flier but denounced the flight as a "flagrant violation of the state frontier and air space of the People's Republic."

The radio asserted the U.S. Air Force pilot "recognized himself guilty and responsible for the violation of the state frontier and the air space of the People's Republic of Albania."

The broadcast gave no details of Curran's destination. It said only he "has been allowed to leave Albanian territory."

Curran's plane vanished on a training flight from Chateauroux, France, to southern Italy. A Tirana Radio broadcast later disclosed he had been forced to land in Communist Albania.

Friday night's broadcast said Albania lodged a protest with the U.S. government against the flight Thursday. It did not say how the protest was made. The two countries have no diplomatic relations.

Falling Tree Interrupts Power At Myrtle Creek

California Oregon Power Co. service in the Myrtle Creek and Tri-City area was interrupted for periods of up to 35 minutes Thursday night when a tree fell across a line.

The power went off in Myrtle Creek and along North Myrtle and South Myrtle for 35 minutes. At Tri-City, service was halted for a half-hour.

The line was broken near the Cedar Grove Sunday School on North Myrtle, according to correspondent Ruth Evans. Copco crews started work as soon as the break point was located.

Violation Of Parole Charged To Youth, 16

A 16-year-old Winston boy was brought to the Douglas County jail Thursday night and booked on a parole violation charge.

The youth, on parole from MacLaren School for Boys, was taken into custody by Winston police. He is alleged to have threatened two Glendale youths with a knife during a basketball game Thursday in Winston.

Missile's Flight Not Full Range

Answer To Russia's ICBM Is Watched By Reporters Nearby

By VERN HAUGLAND

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — The U.S. Air Force successfully launched its fourth Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile Friday.

The giant missile rose from its launching pad, in a puff of white smoke and a tremendous flash of flame, at 10:48 a.m. (EST).

Within 15 minutes the Pentagon announced the launching had been a success — a fact highly evident to the handful of reporters who watched from beaches some miles away from the fenced-off test center.

The department said further that "the test, which was not full range, was successful."

Assigned Shorter Range

This meant that the Atlas, designed to fly more than 5,000 miles, was assigned a shorter range for this test flight and operated accurately over that distance.

President Eisenhower's reaction to the successful launching: "Good."

White House press secretary James C. Parsons told newsmen the President got word of the shot while he was conferring with Secretary of the Treasury Anderson.

Chairman Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex.) told the Senate Preparedness subcommittee of the successful Atlas test and termed it "quite encouraging."

Johnson said this was only a partial trial of the planned intercontinental weapon.

But he said it added weight to demands to the Senate group that funds for speeding up the actual production of such missiles be provided.

The announcement from Washington said the launch was "successfully carried out."

One of Series

"This test of the Atlas, under development by the Air Force and Convair, was one of a series of intermediate range and intercontinental range ballistic missile flights conducted at the Canaveral station," the announcement said.

It rose slowly through hazy clouds. Its bright trail of fire was visible almost three minutes.

The thunder of its mighty engines — a primary motor and two boosters — could be heard even after the missile itself vanished in high clouds.

Shortly before disappearing into the overcast, the missile arched over gradually to the southeast, over the test range which extends 5,000 miles out across the Atlantic Ocean.

The Atlas is the American answer to the Soviet claim of intercontinental ballistic capability.

This was the second apparently successful firing of "The Beast," as the Atlas is known to its builders.

On the first two tries, the big missile started to get out of control shortly after launching and had to be destroyed.

Average Supplies Water Forecast For Umpqua River

If normal conditions prevail the rest of the winter, the Umpqua and Rogue river watersheds are expected to have average supplies of water this spring and summer.

This report was released by the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service and Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station after an analysis of snow, streamflow and reservoir data.

The report shows that most of the snow courses measured had greater than normal stored — water this month, averaging 124 per cent of normal. Water content of snow is about six times greater than last year at this date.

At Diamond Lake, 11.4 inches of water in the snow were measured this year, as compared to 5.3 last year and a normal of 8.7 inches.

Emergent Gap and Fish Lake Reservoirs are slightly over half full, which is better than usual. Hyatt Prairie is almost half full, 188 per cent of normal.

W. T. Frost of SCS in Portland said the current statewide outlook of 1958 water supplies is satisfactory, with a 120 per cent normal snow cover now present in the mountain watersheds. Reservoir water supplies are mostly well above average.

Captive Jet Pilot

MAJ. HOWARD CURRAN, of Pratt, Kan., shown in a picture supplied by his brother, Charles Curran, of Tacoma, Wash., is reportedly held prisoner by Communist Albania. He was given up for missing on a flight from Chateauroux, France, to Naples, Dec. 23. (AP Wirephoto)

Funds Sought

WASHINGTON — The Interior Department Thursday asked Congress for \$279,000 needed to acquire 93 acres at Fort Clatsop on the Oregon Coast.

The department said that the area, the site of the Lewis and Clark Expedition's 1805-06 winter encampment, should be made a national monument park.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

That segment of the world comprised of Eastern Oregon, aroused by heavy crop damage, is probably inclined, as Emerson puts it, to make a beaten path to the door of the man who invents a better mousetrap.