

47 KILLED IN AIRLINER CRASH

Lifesavers Quick To Start Action After Organizing

The newly organized Roseburg chapter of Oregon Highway Lifesavers has lost no time in getting into action. It was formed Friday and now has begun working with the county chapter to emphasize efforts of fighting highway accidents during safety week in May. And charter president Glen Wellman and county president Robert G. Davis have begun mulling possibilities of getting legislative action to restrict drivers' licenses.

During safety week here, the city and county chapters will combine to set up a booth at the Safety Fair at the fairgrounds. State Police Sgts. Richard Bouey and Richard Keefe are co-chairmen of both arrangements. The fair will be held one day, May 17.

The preceding Monday will be devoted by members of the Roseburg Highway Lifesavers group to an educational safety program at Roseburg High School. A team made up of Duane Lafferty, Davis, Del McKay, Dep. Sheriff Lewis Suiter, Wellman and Bouey will speak to classes at the school all day.

Restrictions Studied
Meanwhile, the two chapters have begun considering methods for cutting down accidents through restrictions on drivers' licenses. Wellman told the group at the organizational meeting that he felt it was not right that, after an initial examination to get a license, a driver need only restate it at two-year intervals throughout his life.

Sgt. Bouey and Davis came up with the idea of working for legislative action by which a driver would have to take another examination before his license could be reinstated if (1) he had been the driver of a car which had been involved in a traffic accident whether his fault or not and (2) if he had been arrested for a moving traffic violation during the two years preceding the issuance of a new license.

Davis said it would help indicate that a driver has no constant right to drive a car. It is a privilege, not a right," he said.

New Authority Eyed
Wellman also insisted that traffic officers should be allowed to file a complaint against a driver on the basis of witness testimony, without having seen an accident or violation.

Roseburg Police Chief Vernon Murdoch Jr. took a strong stand in favor of a method of citizen surveillance of traffic violations. He said accidents were cut drastically in 1957 by the T-Man Safety Squad. It was sponsored by local civic clubs. The squad noted traffic violations and turned them over to the police department. The department then sent the violators letters asking them to pay more money to their driving.

In organizing the Roseburg Chapter of OHL, Wellman was elected president and Robert Elliott, secretary. The next meeting will be May 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Douglas County Courthouse.

PORTLAND — Some 55 persons will represent Oregon at the western regional conference of the President's Committee for Traffic Safety at San Francisco April 8-9. Ways to reduce highway accidents in the Northwest will be among topics discussed.

MRS. OREGON NAMED

PORTLAND — Mrs. Oregon, 1958 is Mrs. Polly Steffens, Portland.

Mrs. Steffens, 32, a blonde, will represent Oregon in the Mrs. America contest at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., April 30.

She has a seven-year-old daughter.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Hmmmmmm. What to talk about today.

The weather, I reckon. There doesn't seem to be much else in the news.

I suppose you're familiar with the crack to the effect that "everybody talks about the weather but nobody does anything about it."

I'm beginning to wonder. In these days, we blame the Russians for everything that's bad. Do you suppose these Russian scientists we've been hearing so much about have been tinkering with the climate?

I wouldn't put it beyond them. The kind of weather we've had lately is just about the kind a bunch of communist scientists

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The Weather

AIRPORT RECORDS

Partly cloudy. Few scattered showers. Mostly cloudy Tuesday with showers during afternoon. Not much temperature change.

Highest temp. last 24 hours	50
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	34
Highest temp. any April	90
Lowest temp. any April	27
Precip. last 24 hours	.01
Precip. from April 1	.64
Precip. from Sept. 1	27.09
Excess from Sept. 1	11.76
Sunset tonight, 6:44 p.m.	
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:44 a.m.	

Morse Asks Boost In Federal Money For Forest Roads

WASHINGTON — Sen. Morse (D-Ore) suggested Monday that appropriations for forest access roads on the Oregon and California Railroad grant lands in Oregon be increased by nearly two million dollars.

The program is financed entirely with money from timber sale receipts which otherwise would go to the Oregon counties within which the lands lie.

In a statement prepared for the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee considering Forest Service appropriations, Morse suggested the \$4,335,000 sought for O&C roads in the year beginning July 1 be increased to the \$6,137,729 level of the current year.

He said the money could be advanced "legally with the understanding that the advance would be repaid out of future receipts."

The request was one of several made by the Oregon senator in urging increased appropriations for road building, camp ground improvement and housing in the national forests as a means of combating unemployment.

Ease Unemployment Now
"We can justify these increases on their merit," he said, "but it (Continued on Page 2 Col. 2)

Camas Valley Man Seeks School Post

Neal C. Brown of Camas Valley filed Saturday for director at large on the county Rural School Board. The Camas Valley resident has lived in that area all his life and at one time served on the local school board. He lives in the upper Camas region with his wife, Cora Ellen, and five children, Barbara 4, Bill 13, Pamela 15 months and twins, Richard and Elizabeth 9.

Brown is a farmer and a member of the Camas Valley Grange.

Myrtle Creek Men Held On Contributing Charges

Two Myrtle Creek men were lodged in county jail over the weekend on separate charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Robert Keith Reymann, 21, was arrested by state police Saturday night along with a 15-year-old Myrtle Creek girl. Both were arrested on warrants issued by Ward Watson, Sutherlin justice of the peace.

Reymann's bail was set at \$5,000 and the girl was booked on a charge of vagrancy, with bail set at \$500.

Booked Sunday afternoon was Edward Gaylord Byer, 20, whose bail also was set at \$5,000. He was arrested by Myrtle Creek police on a warrant issued by Nina Pietzold, Canyonville justice of the peace.

Priest Loses Easter Offerings To Gunmen

SANTA FE SPRINGS, Calif. — Two gunmen took more than \$1,000 from a Catholic priest in a holdup yesterday.

The Rev. John McHugh, 29, assistant pastor of St. Pius Church, said one of the men approached him outside the church and said: "I don't like to do this, father, but I'm a stickup and if you move I'll blow your brains out."

The priest was carrying the money — the Easter offering of his parishioners — in a bag to the nearby rectory.

Charged Of Non-Support Faced By Oakland Man

Booked into county jail Saturday night on a charge of non-support was Edwin D. Finnell, 29, Oakland.

Finnell was arrested by deputies on a circuit court bench warrant after he allegedly refused to pay his wife the first payment of a \$50 per month temporary child support order. Deputies said he was ordered to pay the support on March 25, with the payments becoming effective March 31.

MACHINE BROKEN OPEN

About \$12 worth of coins was taken Friday night from the coin box on a soft drink machine at the Rumble Bee Cycle Club on Highway 99B four miles south of Roseburg, sheriff's deputies reported. Deputies said the thirsty burglar also pried the tops off several bottles and drank the contents.

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Freight Rates Cut Welcomed

Lumbermen Foresee Spur To Industry

Ability To Compete With Rival Markets Still Open Question

By GEORGE CASTILLO

News-Review Assistant Editor

Lumbermen of Douglas County are generally enthusiastic about the Southern Pacific Co.'s intention to lower freight rates.

Most agree it will be a shot in the arm to the economy of the county in cutting back the costs of placing lumber products on the market. But the range of opinion broadens immediately on how much it will help the economy and whether the rate lowering will put the county's mills in a better position to compete in the Southern California and Arizona markets.

The intention to reduce rates was announced by Southern Pacific Friday, E. C. Ortway, freight traffic manager in Portland, said a new schedule would probably become effective in late May.

Under it, rates on existing minimum loads will be cut. In addition, two new minimums of 60,000 and 70,000 pounds, each with still lower rates, have been approved for lumber, plywood, box and crate material, lath and shingles. Some of the new rates will mean reductions of about 30 per cent from existing rates.

Manager Lauds Move

"We love it," says W. S. Elliott, sales manager for the Robert Dollar Co. in Glendale. "It should do us some good all around and should help Southern Oregon a lot."

The rate lowering will result, he said, in elimination of a lot of truck business and lower costs of putting county products into the two areas of the southwest United States.

He said companies would much rather ship by rail than by truck, but truck rates under the present situation have been competitive.

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A. A. Jacoby Candidate For Dillard School Post

A. A. Jacoby who lives on Lookings Road filed a petition for a one year term as director on the Dillard School Board.

He will be opposing Mrs. Donella Ledgerwood and J. L. Richey Jr. The three are seeking a position vacated when Ralph Fisher resigned from the board.

Injury To Finger Puts Man, 71, In Hospital

John Johnson, 71, of Winchester was admitted to Douglas Community Hospital Sunday after he was injured while working at Evans Products Co., hospital officials report.

He received a laceration and partial amputation of his left middle finger and his condition is reported as "fine" this morning, according to hospital authorities.

Mrs. Pearl Malone, 67, of Sutherlin was admitted to the hospital Saturday with lacerations on her head. Her condition is reported as satisfactory this morning. Mrs. Malone received the injuries in a fall.

He was to appear in circuit court this morning for arraignment on the new charge.

Resurrection Story Retold In World Of Christianity; Pope Pius Pleads For Peace

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Christian worshippers in churches throughout the world yesterday commemorated the Resurrection of Christ.

From Jerusalem, the cradle of Christianity, to Communist China, the devout heard retold the joyous story of the risen Christ.

In much of the United States, rain, snow and chilly winds put a damper on Easter parades and other displays of holiday finery. New York City's Easter parade was drowned in a gusty downpour.

The day was observed amid snow, ice and heavy rains in Michigan, Wisconsin, Maine, California and elsewhere.

London reported the coldest Easter Sunday of the century.

In his Easter message, Pope Pius XII called on world leaders to let the light of Christ bring peace to a darkened world. A cosmopolitan throng estimated at 250,000 jammed St. Peter's Square in Rome to hear the 82-year-old Pope

Neuberger Explains Votes For GOP Measures, Says Pro-Oregon Support Won

PORTLAND — Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore) is not concerned by threats of political reprisals he said members of the Democratic Party have made against him.

"I'll bet on the good judgment of the people of Oregon," Neuberger added at a press conference on his return to his home here Sunday for the congressional Easter recess.

Neuberger did not name those who had threatened him. He said the threats were made because he had voted with the Republican administration on a number of issues.

He said he would continue to back the administration's program on foreign aid and reciprocal trade agreements.

On Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson, he said he wasn't inclined to side with Benson's critics because "Democrats haven't offered any better solution" to farm problems.

He said that on hydroelectric power, however, the administration had sacrificed Columbia Basin resources at a time Russia was building four dams with a combined capacity of more than 11,000,000 kilowatts.

Of his vote in favor of a postal rate increase, he said he would have been open to a charge of hypocrisy had he not voted for it after voting for a pay increase for postal employees, which made more revenue necessary.

Wins Backing For Oregon
He said he had won bipartisan support for Oregon projects before.

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Rules For County Rodeo Queen Contest Listed

Rules and requirements for entrants in the annual Douglas County rodeo queen contest have been announced by R. H. Frey, contest chairman.

The contest will be governed entirely by ticket sales with the three top ticket sellers comprising the queen and her court. Entrants will be supplied with tickets, instructed in the sale of them and in the handling of money received.

By May 1 all candidates must submit a portfolio containing a full length picture of the candidate, preferably in a riding costume; a brief biography; complete measurements and clothing sizes; name, address and telephone number. The portfolio should be sent to the County Rodeo Assn., Box 109, Roseburg.

Single girls between the ages of 16 and 21 are eligible to enter the contest. Personal requirements are ability to ride a horse, pleasing personality, looks and appearance. Entrants must have a horse available.

Girls must also be available on the weekend of the rodeo and prior to the rodeo for publicity purposes.

Habitual Criminal Count Faces Dempster

Edward James Dempster, 22, Troutdale, was returned to Roseburg from the Oregon State Prison Friday to face a habitual criminal charge.

Dempster was convicted on a parole violation charge last month following an original charge of burglary not in a dwelling. He was sentenced to two years in the state prison.

He was to appear in circuit court this morning for arraignment on the new charge.

Johnson was arrested on a warrant issued by Ward Watson, Sutherlin justice of the peace. He is charged in a complaint with using a bad check for \$82.15 to purchase a cow and three rabbits last October at Schrieker and India auction barn near Sutherlin.

Bail for Johnson was set at \$2,000.

Gunman Herds Store Clerks Into Icy Vault

DALLAS, Tex. — A food store clerk Martin Campbell, 36, and Charles Ataway, 21, told police a coldhearted gunman robbed them.

Displaying a snub-nosed pistol, he forced the two to fill a paper bag with an undetermined amount of cash. Then he ordered them to remove their pants and herded them into a freezer vault.

The shivering pair let themselves out a few minutes later. They found their knotted trousers in another vault.

Students Have Split Results With Rockets

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — A 24-inch rocket, built by a group of Linfield College students, soared an estimated 1,475 feet into the air Saturday.

A larger rocket built by the students also was fired Saturday, but crashed shortly after takeoff.

Sixteen Die In Two Train Tragedies

Five Children Trapped On Trestle, 2 Families Of 11 Comprise Victims

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — Horrified picnickers saw a speeding train plow through five children trapped on a lofty railroad trestle yesterday. All five died.

A sixth youngster raced to safety at one end of the mile-long viaduct moments ahead of the passenger train the Southern Pacific's Sunset Limited.

Engineer J. W. Euforth jammed on the emergency brakes in vain while scores of the 300 persons gathered for Easter picnics screamed for the four girls and one boy to jump.

The youngsters were caught about a fourth of a mile out on the bridge past a curve hiding the train's approach. At that point the viaduct towers 40 feet above the brushy bed of the Medina River.

Among those gathered below to see the train crash were the parents of about 50 relatives of the children.

The park is on the river banks at McDona, 15 miles southwest of here in South Texas.

Three children of Mrs. Paula Garza, San Antonio, and two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Ramirez, Laredo, Tex., were killed. Ramirez is Mrs. Garza's brother.

The dead: Diana Garza, 11; Louis Garza, 12; Laura Garza, 16; Anna Maria Ramirez, 13; and Norma Ramirez, 15. Norma died at a hospital.

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Hubcap Snatcher Gives Victim Valuable Advice

DALLAS — Police figure H. E. Greenwell got some pretty good advice from a thief who stole the four hubcaps off his car.

They disappeared two weeks ago, and an insurance adjuster already had replaced them before Greenwell discovered a paper sack in his yard. Inside were the hubcaps and this note:

"Surprise! To prevent the occurrence (sic) of visits such as mine in the future, may I suggest:

1. Keep your car in the garage. 2. Keep doors, windows and glove compartments locked. 3. Gas can be stolen easily and silently."

Tuesday Meeting Set On Juvenile Delinquency

A consideration of the spiritual, moral and ethical values involved in the Douglas County juvenile delinquency program will be the subject discussed at the next meeting of the Douglas County Juvenile Advisory Council.

The meeting is scheduled Tuesday at 8 p.m. in courtroom "A" of the Douglas County Courthouse.

Tillamook Man Faces Charge Of Bad Check

Jack William Johnson, 38, Tillamook, was arrested by sheriff's deputies in Tillamook Friday and booked at Douglas County jail on a charge of obtaining property by false pretenses.

Johnson was arrested on a warrant issued by Ward Watson, Sutherlin justice of the peace. He is charged in a complaint with using a bad check for \$82.15 to purchase a cow and three rabbits last October at Schrieker and India auction barn near Sutherlin.

Bail for Johnson was set at \$2,000.

Plans To Aid Disabled Vets Aim Of Gold Star Mothers Convening Here This Week

Delegates from 15 chapters of the Oregon Department of American Gold Star Mothers will be in Roseburg Friday and Saturday for their 10th annual state convention.

Mrs. Clarence M. Decker, Portland, department president, will conduct the business sessions. On the agenda are election of officers and planning of the organization's activities for disabled veterans at hospitals and domiciliarys at Roseburg, Portland and Camp White.

State Sen. Dan Eimick of Roseburg will speak at the group's banquet Friday at 7 p.m. All sessions will be in the Umpqua Hotel.

Registration will start Friday morning. The first business session will be at 1 p.m. Later Friday afternoon, the meeting will adjourn so delegates can tour the Veterans Administration Hospital.

Memorial services are scheduled Saturday morning before a business session, at which resolutions will be read.

Saturday afternoon, new officers will be elected and the new board will meet. The new officers will be installed in a public ceremony Saturday at 8 p.m.

A sidelight of the convention will be the sale of quilts pieced by the state's Mrs. Anna Johnson of Olympia, Wash., who was 91 when she did the work. She was the mother of James C. Johnson, 146 SE Hoover Ave., Roseburg.

Mrs. James Johnson, one of the department's Veterans Administration Volunteer Services representatives, and Mrs. Merle Doering, Roseburg chapter president, are aiding in convention planning.

Department officers include Jean Leach, Toledo, first vice president; David Farnsworth, Portland, second vice president; Leona Baker, Eugene, recording secretary; Mary Champ, Salem, treasurer; and Ethel Ashcraft, Grants Pass, chaplain. Mrs. L. Aris McChesney, Springfield, is convention chairman.

Fiery Disaster Near Michigan Airport Rim Deals Total Life Loss

MIDLAND, Mich. — A Capital Airlines Viscount plane crashed and burned in a spring snowfall Easter Sunday night, killing all 47 persons aboard.

Holiday vacationers were among the victims of a disaster in which there was "no chance" of anyone's escaping.

The big, four-engine plane, a pride of the skies, slammed into a muddy field about 2,300 feet short of a runway of the Tri City Airport. The airport serves Midland, Saginaw and Bay City.

The impact scattered bodies across a wide area. Charred bodies were found in the scattered wreckage.

The passenger list included:

Shirley Goetz, Bellingham, Wash.

"By the time we got there, we realized everybody was gone," said Warner Law, owner of the farm on which the plane crashed. "There was no chance of anyone getting out. The plane came in hard. It didn't fall. It ran into the ground."

Control tower officials said it was windy and snow was falling as the plane approached for a landing at 11:15 p.m. Visibility was three miles with a 900-foot ceiling.

Explosion Heard
Nelson Girardin, who had stopped at the airport administration building with his family to watch the plane land, said "one minute the plane's lights were barely visible through the rain-snow, the next minute they abruptly headed earthward. A second later there was a blinding flash of orange flame spurting nearly 100 feet in the air, followed by a muffled explosion."

Girardin said the plane apparently landed "almost squarely on its nose," then flipped over on its back, a flaming mass of wreckage.

State police, sheriff's deputies and firemen from nearby communities battled through mud and pools of water to reach the plane. One fire engine bogged down before reaching the scene.

For Easter Tragedy Recalled
The disaster was the second Easter airplane crash in three years.

On April 1, 1956, a two-engine Trans World airliner crashed on a hillside shortly after taking off from the Greater Pittsburgh airport, killing 22 and injuring 14.

The Viscount plane is the first turboprop airliner in passenger service and the only non-American built aircraft used on a U.S. line.

Capital has used the Viscount since June, 1955. Trans-Canada

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Rep. Chas. Porter Due Here Thursday For Conference

During a crowded week's visit in Oregon, Rep. Charles O. Porter will talk with constituents in Roseburg Thursday.

According to Ted Mouché, chairman of the Douglas County Democratic Central Committee, Porter will confer with individuals and groups in the Coral Room of the Umpqua Hotel between 10 a.m. and noon.

Mouché said managers and labor representatives of the lumber industry and spokesmen for resources management agencies and groups are especially urged to take part in conferences planned as an exchange of information and views on Douglas County economic problems.

The county chairman said Porter will be prepared to advise industrial and civic representatives about federal legislation and possibilities affecting the lumber industry, public and private home construction, highway construction and federal policies concerning education.

The Fourth District representative will be a guest at a luncheon meeting of a civic organization and then plans to visit the Veterans Administration Hospital here to confer with officials about needs and policies of the facility.

From Roseburg, Porter will go to Coos County and will speak in Coos Bay in the evening. Friday, he will visit Grants Pass and Medford and return to Eugene Saturday.

Porter, during his Oregon visit, plans to contact every major sector of his district. He will make at least 11 major addresses in addition to many informal stops. He is scheduled to arrive in the state today.

Surviving besides his wife, Florence, are two brothers, Merle and James Quant, both of Oskosh, Wis.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday at St. George's Episcopal church will officiate. Ritualistic services will be conducted by the Laurel Masonic Lodge. Vault interment will follow in the Roseburg Memorial Gardens.

Vandals Push Over Cemetery Tombstones

PORTLAND — Vandals damaged a number of old tombstones at the Lone Fir Cemetery here Saturday night.

Police said it apparently was the work of two or more persons, because some of the tombstones were too heavy for one person to push over.

Lone Fir is one of the early-day cemeteries. It is maintained by the county.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Millions of dollars programmed for creating jobs is only a minor step. An American's constitutional right to work may still face the major prerequisite of a union obligation (plus fee and dues) to get a job.