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Accidents Leave Trail Of Deaths In Holiday Start

The first full day of the Labor Day weekend brought a rush of motorists onto the nation's highways today bent on enjoying the last long holiday of the summer. However, traffic deaths mounted slowly.

At 2 p.m., eastern standard time, the score stood as follows:

Killed in traffic, 47; drownings 4; miscellaneous, 9 — a grand total of 60.

The National Safety Council forecast that it might be the last holiday for 420 persons. That's how many the NSC estimated will be killed in highway accidents in the 78-hour period from 6 p.m. local time Friday until midnight Monday.

The council also estimated 45 million cars will be on the move over the weekend.

The highway death toll early in the weekend was widely scattered over the country.

The worst smashup reported during the first 10 hours occurred near Dayton, Ohio, where three men were killed when one vehicle tried to pass another and swerved into the path of an oncoming car.

The driver of one of the cars was killed as were the driver and a passenger in the other car.

Illinois reported the weekend's first traffic death, which occurred at 7:50 p.m. CDL Friday. Police reported Frank Tio Jr., 48, of Chicago, was struck and killed at a Galesburg, Ill., railroad crossing by a car driven by Robert Cirmotich, 19, of Galesburg.

Death Rate Increases
A weekend toll of 60 would be 70 more than the 350 deaths that normally occur on a nonholiday weekend, the NSC said.

A survey by The Associated Press, for comparison purposes, showed 300 traffic deaths throughout the nation for the nonholiday weekend of Aug. 18-19. The survey covered the same hours as the current holiday travel period: There were 78 drownings and 94 miscellaneous deaths in fires, plane crashes and other accidents during the surveyed period for a total of 472.

Plywood Local Elects New Annual Officers

A referendum election of officers of Plywood and Veneer Workers Local 9-436, International Woodworkers of America, Roseburg, was completed Thursday.

Voting on officers and committees was carried on at Umpqua Plywood and Evans Products during shift changes so all members would have an opportunity to cast ballots. The new officers and committees will be installed in office Sept. 2 and will serve for a year.

The new officers are: Willis L. Coble, re-elected president; Dale Beckham, vice president; Charles E. Hodson, re-elected recording secretary; Charles W. Lynch, re-elected financial secretary; and business agent, T. C. Parr, conductor; Lester Broadwater, warden, and Forrest Talbot, trustee for a three-year term. This will be Lynch's third term as secretary-business agent.

All the new officers are employees of Umpqua Plywood, which works at Evans Products Co.

Elected shop committees for Umpqua Plywood were Roscoe Parr, Gordon Clark, Willis Coble, Lyle Smith and Lester Broadwater. At Evans, the committees will be Grover Barton, Charles Beckham, Otto King, Pete Smith and Ray Loran.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In its closing days—as mentioned in this space recently—the 85th congress approved a project that is long overdue: pensions for ex-presidents and their widows.

The bill was passed by both houses, and President Eisenhower has signed it. It is now the law of the land.

Under it, ex-presidents will receive a pension of \$25,000 as long as they live. Their widows will receive pensions of \$10,000. In addition, there will be some trimmings.

The trimmings include office space, free mailing privileges and a staff of assistants.

The pensions are a splendid idea. They will have been EARNED. The President of the United States carries a heavier load of responsibility than any other person on earth. He couldn't be paid during

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The Weather

AIRPORT RECORDS
Fair today, tonight and Sunday.
Highest temp. last 24 hours 78
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 60
Highest temp. any Aug. 102
Lowest temp. any Aug. 41
Precip. last 24 hours .06
Precip. from Aug. 1 .36
Precip. from Sept. 1 45.10
Excess from Sept. 1 14.62
Sunset tonight, 6:52 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:32 a.m.

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Invasion Threat To Islands Off China Stirs Washington Officials Alert To Act On Situation

WASHINGTON (AP)—U.S. officials braced today for a possible Red China invasion of the Chinese Nationalist offshore islands over the Labor Day weekend.

Such a move would bring a showdown on whether the United States intends to defend the islands and become involved in combat with Red Chinese forces.

The State Department, under the command of Undersecretary of State Christian R. Herter, kept its Far East experts working at their desks or on call at home during the three-day holiday.

Top officials were away as a new tension continued to build up in the Far East in the wake of Red China's heavy shelling of Chinese Nationalist offshore islands.

President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles have laid down a tough line for facing up to Peiping's threats to attack the offshore islands lying within sight of the China mainland.

Officials said the administration has decided to draw the line on any aggressive expansionism by Red China. But they refused to say flatly whether this meant the U.S. 7th Fleet, now on alert in the Formosa Straits, would fight to defend Quemoy, Matsu and other offshore Nationalist island outposts.

Morse Urges Stand Now
Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore) said last night Congress should give its authorization before any U.S. forces are used to defend Quemoy and Matsu. He said if the administration is considering such a move the President should call a special session of Congress.

Morse, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said America faces new danger from

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Iraq Military Attache Wounded By 4 Bullets

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—Col. Saleh Mahdi Samarra, Iraq's military attache in Lebanon, was hit by four bullets today as he was driving in Ras, a Beirut residential quarter.

The gunman shot at and apparently slightly injured a policeman who tried to stop them as they fled.

Hospital sources said Samarra was gravely wounded in the head, chest and shoulder.

Witnesses said a little Fiat car carrying two persons overtook Samarra's car and one gunman opened up with a pistol.

Witnesses said nearby policemen fired on the assassin's car and hit one of the two. The driver speeded up and escaped into a nearby alley.

Samarra, 40, is on the outs with the Iraq regime that overthrew and killed King Faisal July 14. It is reported he had been ordered home by the new regime but refused to go.

Samarra, once military attache in Syria, was twice proclaimed persona non grata by various Syrian governments for allegedly plotting their overthrow.

MINE DISASTER
WARSAW, Poland (AP)—Rescue squads brought the last 16 bodies to the surface today from the fire-stricken Makoszowy coal mine in southwest Poland. Authorities said the final death toll in the Thursday night fire was 72.

Fifty-two miners who were overcome by fumes were reported making a quick recovery in hospitals.

Total School Enrollment In Douglas County Expected To Be 17,000 Next Month

By DARRELL MADDOX
News-Review Staff Writer

An estimated 17,000 students are expected to enroll in Douglas County schools by the end of September, County School Supt. Kenneth E. Barnhouse said today.

Majority of the schools will open Tuesday but several have already started classes. Camas Valley schools opened Thursday with a total attendance of 175 students.

Drain Elementary and High School opened Friday.

School districts which will open Tuesday are Canyonville, Gardiner, Glade, Riddle, Glendale, Dillard, Sutherlin, Reedsport Elementary and High School, Roberts Creek, Days Creek and Drain Elementary and High School.

Oakland schools open Wednesday. Three districts open their doors Thursday. They are Scotts Valley, Drain High School and Drain Ele-

mentary School. Classes in Roseburg start Sept. 8.

Several schools have not reported their opening dates to the county school superintendent's office. Such dates for several private schools have been announced. That for St. Joseph's School in Roseburg is Sept. 2, and for the Canyonville Bible Academy Sept. 8.



NORTH DOUGLAS FAIR at Drain, which continues through today, again is proving a popular attraction for residents of the northern part of the county. Above are the exhibits of the North Douglas and Sunnydale Granges, both designed to reflect the lives of rural residents. At right, 11-year-old Aethel Wise, Yoncalla, hefts a pumpkin nearly as large as he. It was grown by Bert Tanner, Drain. The fair will close out tonight after a parade and other events today. (Paul Jenkins photos)

Assn. 42 Pushes Plans To Improve Coos Road

The Southern Douglas County Highway Assn. met this week with Housewives for 42 members and Coos County people to formulate further plans for the campaign to improve Highway 42.

James Daugherty, association president, presided. Representatives of the housewives' group submitted a report which noted the group's activities during the past several months.

The Coos delegation presented a plan for the newly-proposed "Winemucca - to - the - Sea" highway which would include the entire length of Highway 42. The highway would extend from Coos Bay to Winemucca, Nev.

Plans were made to shoot a colored moving picture of pertinent points along Highway 42 from Winston to Coos Bay. The film would be made available for showing by any interested organizations.

Next association meeting will be at Bart's Cafe in Camas Valley on Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 8 p.m. Daugherty urged representatives of interested chambers of commerce, municipalities, service clubs or granges in southern Douglas County to be present.

Alleged Forger Held For Grand Jury Action

Stephen Wright Agee, 52, of Grants Pass, was held to answer Friday to the Grand Jury for allegedly forging a \$96.48 company check belonging to the Spaulding Lumber Co. of Josephine County.

At his arraignment before Circuit Judge Charles S. Woodrich, sitting for District Judge Warren A. Woodruff, Agee waived right to a preliminary hearing.

The Roseburg police complaint alleges the lumber grader passed the forged check at a business establishment here on Aug. 22.

Earlier this week, the court appointed D. C. Walton to represent the defendant.



All-Oregon Forest Closure Lifted, Following Showers; Minor Mishaps In Traffic

A forest closure embracing all Oregon issued by State forester D. L. Phipps last week was lifted at noon Friday, Douglas Forest Protective Assn. officials report.

Closed were large areas in the Umpqua National Forest. The closure ordered by Phipps also included the coast area from the Umpqua River southward and the western part of the county.

Rain Friday, the first in about the past two months, caused minor automobile accidents throughout the county. The rain-slicked highways came as an unexpected surprise to many motorists.

The much needed rain Friday took Douglas County's forest fire danger down from high to moderate. U.S. Forest Service Fire Control Officer Herb Rudolph said.

No fires were reported in the Umpqua National Forest today. Enough rain did not fall Friday to take the fire danger down to low, Rudolph added. Rain Friday was general throughout the Umpqua National Forest.

Forest Service and Hale Brothers Logging Co. personnel returned Friday afternoon from fighting a fire in the Willamette National Forest.

No fires were reported this morning in areas covered by the Douglas Forest Protective Assn.

Fire danger in the forest can go from high to extreme in a short time if the sun comes out and stays out for several hours, DFA officials added.

The forecast calls for fair weather today, tonight and Sunday with warmer temperatures Sunday. The high in Roseburg Friday was 78. A total of .65 inches of rain fell in the past 24 hours. Friday's precipitation was the first measurable rain since July 1 when .48 inches fell.

A storm over the Pacific is expected to move in tonight over western Washington and the extreme end of northern Oregon but it is not expected to get as far south as Douglas County.

Negro Youths Continue Food Service 'Sitdown'

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—A Negro youth group's "sitdown" for food service in a downtown luncheonette continued into its eighth day in a stalemate today.

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Some 120 appeared Thursday. White persons held all the seats and didn't release them until other white diners arrived.

Six Persons Hurt Friday On Highways

Heavy Showers Aid Rash Of Accidents; One Mishap Hurts 4

At least six persons were injured Friday in traffic accidents in a prelude to the three-day Labor Day weekend in Douglas County.

The rash of accidents was helped along by heavy showers that slickened highways.

The most serious mishap occurred, however, before the rain started. Four members of a Long Beach, Calif., family were hurt when their car left Highway 99 two miles north of Oakland Junction and landed upside down in a dry creek bed.

Bernard Clifford Brigham, driver of the car, suffered multiple lacerations and abrasions of the face, minor chest injuries, broken left wrist and mild concussion. His wife, Della, 45, has a fractured right leg and right shoulder sprain.

A daughter, Vernona, 12, suffered a deep laceration to her left elbow and a sprained back, and a son, David, 9, has abrasions. A third child was unhurt.

All were taken to Douglas Community Hospital. State police said the car skidded nearly 200 feet, veering back and forth across the highway before tumbling into the creek bed.

Eleven-year-old Ronnie Dean Snelling, Winston, was hurt when

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Sales Of Timber Yield Douglas County Huge Sum

Douglas County, with \$2,735,951.69, will receive more than one-fourth of the money which will be distributed among the 18 Western Oregon counties as their shares of fiscal 1958 O&C timber sales receipts.

The money will be distributed early next month by the Bureau of Land Management.

Total of the 18 shares is \$10,975,514.48. That represents half of the gross timber sale receipts from O&C lands. Another \$5,487,757.24 has been retained by the federal government as the counties' contribution toward costs of access road construction on O&C lands.

The remaining quarter of the gross receipts are for administration of the lands.

Douglas County's share is nearly \$300,000 more than the 1957 payment of \$2,462,202.29. The 18 counties shared \$9,905,664.24 a year ago.

Jackson County receives the next-largest share this year, \$1,720,960.67. Other large payments include: Lane, \$1,695,521.88; Josephine, \$1,319,256.84; Coos, \$645,360.25; and Clackamas, \$625,604.33.

Payments range downward to Lincoln County's share of \$39,511.85.

The bureau said that the increased payments of 12 million dollars to all counties resulted from an increase in the timber harvest from 624 million board feet in fiscal 1957 to 760 million feet in fiscal 1958.

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No Surrender, Sen. Byrd's Battle Cry Against 'Illegal' School Integration Order

BERRYVILLE, Va. (AP)—Sen. Harry F. Byrd (D-Va.) sounded a "no surrender" battle cry today in Virginia's fight against school integration.

At the same time, he said he hoped there wouldn't be any violence or riots as the state approaches the showdown stage in the school fight.

"We in Virginia face days of stress and strain, and the eyes of the world will be upon us," he added, "the governor and the General Assembly of Virginia, carrying out the expressed will of our people after due deliberation, are refusing to obey an illegal decision of the Warren court."

Virginia officials have adopted Byrd's policy of massive resistance to the Supreme Court's 1954 decision declaring racially segregated public schools to be unconstitutional.

In his speech defending this policy, Byrd observed that the state legislature has voted authority to close any school which has mixed classes.

Virginia faces a showdown this fall with white schools in Norfolk, Charlottesville and Arlington County under court orders to admit Negro students next month.

Geneva Site Given Okay Of America

Eisenhower Gratified But Thinks Soviet Will Test During Parley

LONDON (AP)—Nikita Khrushchev has agreed to East-West talks on banning nuclear weapons tests, but he indicated the Soviet Union might break its own ban and hold some more tests before an international suspension is arranged.

Moscow radio said Friday the Soviet Premier accepted a week-old U. S.-British proposal to begin talks Oct. 31.

The United States suggested holding them at U. N. headquarters in New York, but said Geneva would be acceptable. Khrushchev said Geneva would be most suitable.

The Western proposal was made Aug. 22, one day after Communist and Western scientists agreed in Geneva that a worldwide system of enforcing a ban by detecting nuclear explosions was "technically feasible." Khrushchev endorsed this scientific conclusion, which did not involve a political decision on actually banning tests.

Both the United States and Britain, who have nuclear test services going at present, offered to suspend their tests for a trial year from the beginning of political talks. They stipulated, however, that this would depend on Russia's continuing her own unilateral suspension of tests.

United Halt Demanded
The Soviet Union announced

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Interim Coroner Appointment Slated Tuesday

Appointment of a coroner to serve until the first of 1959 will be announced Tuesday. V. T. Jackson, Judge of the Douglas County Court, announced Friday night.

He said three men are being considered for the interim appointment to fill the post left vacant Wednesday with the resignation of Coroner L. L. Powers who has served since 1953.

Avery Thompson, district attorney, told the three-member court that Powers and his deputy coroners remain in office until his resignation "is accepted."

"This has not yet been done by the court," Jackson said, "but will be taken care of officially Tuesday before the new coroner's appointment."

Any coroner services, therefore, will be Powers' obligation over the Labor Day holiday period, the judge said.

Thompson, in Friday opinion to the county clerk, said the central committees of the two major political parties have until next Thursday to nominate a candidate to run for the office on the Nov. 4 ballot.

Clerk Charles Doerner, on Sept. 4, must certify the coming general election ballot.

The man elected will assume his post the first week in January to serve out the unexpired term of Coroner Powers. This will be through the year 1960.

Dr. Michalek Suggested For Coroner's Position

Dr. Louis F. Michalek, Roseburg, today agreed to allow his name to be submitted as a Democratic candidate for the office of Douglas County Coroner.

An announcement of Michalek's proposed candidacy came after a meeting of the Democratic Central Committee executive board. His name will be submitted pending approval of the Central Committee, which will meet next Saturday to consider his candidacy.

Michalek seeks the post formerly occupied by L. L. Powers, who resigned this week because of ill health. Powers was elected as a Republican.

Ted Mouche, central committee chairman, said the meeting will be held in a week because of a legal requirement that written notice of the session be given six days prior to the meeting.

The choice of a medical person of the proposed change in Oregon law which would require coroners to hold a medical degree.

Michalek is in general practice in Roseburg. He is married and the father of three sons, ages 11, nine and two. He resides with his family at 742 W. Nebo St.

WORKER INJURED
Calvin Mergel, 35, of Williams Creek, Steamboat, was admitted to Mercy Hospital Friday evening after he was hurt while working on a construction project near Steamboat.

The construction worker was struck by a tractor starting crank. He suffered injuries to his forehead, Roseburg police said. Mergel was rushed to the hospital by Joseph M. Danford of Portland.

Levy Fact Rant
By L. F. Reizenstein

It might be advisable for backers of the county historical project to pray for better support than that accorded the centennial observance in Roseburg back in 1952.

