

Pope Pius Reported Near Death

American Military Advisers Say Communists Blockade Of Quemoy Has Been Broken

By SPENCER MOOSA
TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—A top American military adviser to Nationalist China said today the Quemoy blockade has been broken with a vastly improved air and sea supply system that will work even if firing is renewed.

"Unless the Communists order a 24-hour barrage, I don't think they can stop convoys from going through," Brig. Gen. Lester Bork told newsmen.

There were mounting indications that warships of the U. S. 7th Fleet have stopped escorting convoys to Quemoy for the rest of the Communist cease-fire, due to run through next Sunday.

Bork said neither Communist artillery attacks on Quemoy nor Nationalist counterfire has been particularly effective. The Army chief of the U. S. Military Advisory Team here added that the Nationalists should show improvement soon under a new artillery commander.

Makes Inspection
Bork and his staff made a 13-hour inspection of the Quemoy islands off the China coast Tuesday. Troop and civilian morale is excellent, they concluded. Damage and casualties have been light. The supply system is greatly improved, and Nationalist positions have been so dug in and fortified over the past nine years they are extremely difficult to destroy, they found.

Gov. Holmes Says Diversion Of Snake Trapped, Doomed Thousands In Salmon Run

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—The diversion of the Snake River Tuesday trapped and doomed thousands of chinook salmon just below an Idaho Power Co. dam, Oregon Gov. Robert Holmes said today.

Holmes said the death rate in the migrating chinook salmon run had reached catastrophic proportions. And the peak of that run, he said, is yet to reach the area.

The governor said at least 1,000 fish died after the river was diverted yesterday. And he added that experts have told him there is no way to save thousands of salmon still trapped.

Albert Day, the director of the Oregon Fish Commission, reported to Holmes that the river was diverted into a tunnel just upstream from Idaho Power Co.'s Oxbow Dam.

River Through Mountain
That tunnel carries the river through a mountain, and bypasses a big bend in the Snake. Thus that two-mile stretch in the bend was without any fresh flow of water.

Day said the fish were in a number of pools, and that they were dying from lack of oxygen. There was no way, he added, to dip them from the river.

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Faubus To Test Sentiment On Integration Of Schools

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
A nationwide test of sentiment at the pocketbook level—of private schools as a means of preserving segregation was in the making today.

Arkansas Gov. Orval Faubus announced that he and Dr. T. J. Roney, president of a corporation seeking to establish all-white private high schools in Little Rock, would send out thousands of letters appealing for funds.

He said the letters, written on the governor's stationery, will go to people all over the nation who have written or telegraphed commendation of his pro-segregation stand.

They will promise a pro rata refund of any unused contributions should the state, now enjoined by federal court decree, be able later to provide money for the purpose.

Arrive In Washington
Meantime, four Anderson County, Tenn., school officials arrived in Washington to take directly to the White House problems arising from the devastating bombing of their integrated Clinton High School.

They had an afternoon engagement with presidential assistants Rocco Siciliano and Ed McCabe to discuss, among other things, who is liable in the case of destructive acts.

In Harrisonburg, Va., the first court attack began on a Virginia law closing schools to thwart integration. Negro plaintiffs went before U. S. Judge John Paul seeking orders to reopen the Warren County High School at Front Royal.

There were reports here that some Communist diplomats in Western Europe were passing out word that the Chinese Communist regime will extend the no shooting order beyond next weekend.

The U. S. views will be expressed to the Chinese Reds in diplomatic talks under way at Warsaw. U. S. Ambassador Jacob Beam is scheduled to meet the Chinese envoy, Wang Ping-nan, Friday.

Braves Leading In Sixth Game
MILWAUKEE (AP)—The Milwaukee Braves took a 2-1 lead over the New York Yankees after four innings of the sixth 1958 World Series game today.

After Hank Bauer homered for the Yankees in the first, the Braves came back to score in the bottom of that inning on singles by Red Schoendienst and Hank Aaron. Then they took the lead in the second on three successive singles, the third of which, by pitcher Warren Spahn, scored Wes Covington.

Busload Filbert Pickers Overturns Near Sheridan
SHERWOOD (AP)—A busload of filbert pickers overturned on a road four miles southwest of here today.

First reports said there were no fatalities, and that the only injuries were minor.

Ambulances were sent to the scene nevertheless. Four persons were taken to a hospital at Portland.

The busload of workers was on the way to a ranch in the Ladd Hill community near here when the brakes apparently failed. The bus started to roll backward on a hill and overturned.

Charles Mathis Suffers Serious Burns Tuesday
Charles Mathis, 18, of 3024 NE Douglas Ave., is reported in "fairly good" condition today at Douglas Community Hospital, where he was admitted at 8:35 p.m. Tuesday after suffering first, second and third degree burns on his arms, hands and back.

Mathis was reportedly pouring gasoline into his car at the intersection of SE Stephens St. and Diamond Lake Blvd. when his shirt caught fire. He ran for about a half block before he was caught and his shirt torn off, according to Roseburg firemen who were called to the scene. A small grass fire started after Mathis was caught, but it was out when firemen arrived.

Organization Being Formed For Young People
A fledgling organization to bring together young, single persons in the Roseburg area has elected Don Bowman as its temporary chairman.

Wayne Schulz, executive secretary of the YMCA, said the objectives of the organization are slanted toward meeting needs of the community and interest of the group.

Memberships are being accepted from persons ages 18 through the early 30s. About 30 persons are on the membership roll.

Schulz said the next meeting will be Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Umpqua Hotel for an informal dinner. On the program committee are Ross Houston, Barbara Wampler, Bowman and Jim Bewley.

Moderate Rain Seen In Five-Day Outlook
Umbrellas may be in order for Roseburg and the surrounding vicinity if a five-day weather outlook issued today by the U. S. Weather Bureau for the Roseburg airport is an indication of what is to come.

Precipitation will be moderate to heavy in northern rain with maximum temperatures ranging from 58 to 62 and minimums from 38 to 42. Tuesday's high temperature at Roseburg was 73 degrees with a breeze of rain recorded.

Fire Weather
Moderate fire danger Northwest Oregon and along coast through Thursday. High danger in interior Southwest Oregon and Central Oregon moderating somewhat through tonight, but increasing slowly again Thursday.



STRICKEN — Pope Pius XII was stricken with a cerebral circulatory ailment Oct. 6 and there is grave fear for his life. This portrait was made last February in connection with his 82nd birthday on March 2. (AP Wirephoto)

2nd Stroke Said Liable To Be Fatal

Air Of Resignation Prevails Sick Room Of Spiritual Leader

By FRANK BRUTTO
CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy (AP)—The life of Pius XII, Pope for 19 years of war and ideological strife, was ebbing away tonight.

He suffered a second stroke during the day and later his physicians reported he was suffering "a grave cardiac pulmonary collapse."

This meant both his heart and breathing were giving in to the strain of illness intensified by the weight of his 82 years.

One of the physicians, while declining use of his name, said: "He is in his death agony."

A 101-degree fever and a speeded pulse were symptoms of his decline.

Air Of Resignation
A Vatican radio speaker, broadcasting from the Pope's antechamber, told of an air of resignation about the sick room.

All in the antechamber — relatives and high church authorities — prayed, some of them aloud.

His heart weakened, and his doctors had little hope that he could survive.

The second stroke came this morning, two days after the first. "The Pope is going fast," was the word in this town where the 82-year-old spiritual leader of the Roman Catholic Church was stricken.

A member of the papal household was reported by Castel Gandolfo police official to have sent that message to the Italian government.

Heightening the emotional tension were false reports that the Pope had died this morning. The Italian news agency Italia issued the following statement:

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State Tax Commission, Roseburg Lumber Co. Debate Assessment

Attorneys for the state Tax Commission and Roseburg Lumber Co. squared off at 10 o'clock this morning in Circuit Court to argue the issue of a recent 50 per cent hike in valuation on standing timber.

The local concern, in a protest action, is seeking a court order to nullify the tax increase. The petition was filed Sept. 19, a few days after the state's tax fixing agency overruled the assessment schedule set last July by the County Equalization Board.

Judge Carl E. Wimberly is hearing arguments. He said he would render a determination "at the earliest possible date," probably later this week.

Upped Valuation
The "eleventh hour" ruling by state commissioners, coming after 1958 tax bills had been prepared by the office of Morris C. Bowker, county assessor, upped valuation on standing timber here from \$14,186,000 to \$21,284,000.

The order shifts about \$420,000 in tax revenue from other property to timber.

This year the Douglas County Board of Equalization held the line on timberland values to the 1957 base, taking the position current market prices did not warrant an increase at this time. The county, however, is not represented in the argument today.

Roseburg Lumber Co., large owner of timber tracts in Douglas County, has asked for a court review of the state's position on grounds it is "null and void," and "not uniform with other classes of property in that ratio of assessed value to true cash value."

Values Not Uniform
The Oregon Tax Commission maintains the county's reduction of timber assessments for 1958, compared to what it recommended, resulted in timber being assessed "at values not uniform to values on other properties in the county."

Argument over the complicated issue is expected to continue throughout the day.

Meanwhile Bowker's office is preparing a new set of tax calculations for some 40,000 county taxpayers, including the adjustment required by the state commission's Sept. 12 mandate.

Regardless of the outcome of today's hearing, Judge Wimberly's determination, property in Douglas County this year will be taxed according to the State Commission order.

Should the courts reverse the commission, rebates or tax credits probably will be allowed next year.

2 Persons Join Welfare Staff
Mrs. Lois Baker, administrator for the Douglas County Public Welfare Commission, Friday announced the names of two new staff members.

They are Robert Clyde Wilson, June graduate of Linfield College, McMinnville, and Miss Helen Falbe of Roseburg.

Wilson will replace Mrs. Wanda Watson of Roseburg who retires as a case worker Oct. 15.

Miss Falbe, former case worker supervisor for the agency, resigned last spring after more than 16 years with the organization. She was rehired on a temporary basis to do emergency work, Mrs. Baker said.

Wilson was graduated in business administration and social sciences, and has served several years in the U. S. Army.

Mrs. Albuschie Named As Aide To Coroner
Mrs. Margaret Albuschie, secretary for the Douglas County Planning Commission since June of 1955, has been named to handle files and records of County Coroner Dr. C. H. Habbitt.

County Commissioner Frank Ashley said the coroner's business office will be located in the planning commission quarters where Mrs. Albuschie will keep records and answer daytime calls.

Cincinnati Judge Chosen To Succeed Harold H. Burton

WASHINGTON (AP) — Judge Potter Stewart of Cincinnati was picked by President Eisenhower Tuesday to succeed Harold H. Burton on the U. S. Supreme Court.

Stewart, 43, is now a judge of the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals. He is a Republican.

The selection of Stewart for the high court was announced at a White House news conference which Stewart attended.

Burton is retiring from the Supreme Court next Monday on the advice of his physician.

Eisenhower gave Stewart a recess appointment which permits him to begin serving on the Supreme Court immediately on Burton's retirement. A formal nomination, subject to Senate confirmation, will go to Congress when it reconvenes in January.

The 6th Circuit Court of Appeals, on which Stewart has been serving, has jurisdiction in Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Stewart, a handsome man whose black hair is graying slightly at the temples, told newsmen his selection by the President took him by surprise.

In response to questions, Stewart said he was telephoned in Cincinnati Monday afternoon by Atty. Gen. Rogers who asked if he could come immediately to Washington.

Stewart replied he could if it was important, and Rogers told him it was.

School Reorganization Committee Sets Meet
A meeting of the Douglas County School Reorganization Committee is scheduled for 7 tonight in county school Supt. Kenneth F. Barneburg's office at the courthouse.

The committee will meet with county Assessor Morris C. Bowker. A representative of the county Planning Commission will not be present as has been listed on the reorganization committee agenda.

Purpose of tonight's meeting is to learn the assessor's views on the committee recommendation that the county's 26 school districts be consolidated into 11.

Next Wednesday the committee will meet to complete a preliminary plan on consolidation of the districts.

CEMENT BLOCKS TAKEN
The Glade forest ranger station reported Monday that about 40 cement building blocks have been stolen from the stockpile at the Wolf Creek camp grounds. Sheriff Ira C. Byrd said his office is investigating the theft. The blocks were 16-inches long.

Lewy Fact Room
By L. F. Reizenstein

Beware of pre-election promised tax cuts. That word is a synonym of "incision," which may go deeper into your wallet. The less you expect, the less you'll be disappointed. (Please excuse pessimism.)

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL eighth-graders made a clean sweep of prizes in a poster contest sponsored by the Douglas County Employ the Physically Handicapped Committee. Savings bonds were awarded by the Rev. Alfred S. Tyson, committee chairman. Winning first prize of a \$50 bond was Tom Lanspa, second from left. Ann Thatcher, right, won second prize of a \$25 bond, and Dick McLaughlin, left, third prize, also a \$25 bond. The bonds were donated by U. S. Plywood, Coon Creek Lumber Co., and Mrs. Jack West and Mrs. Kenneth Ford. (Paul Jenkins)