

BENEFIT HALT PLAN EVOKES POLITICAL RAP

Narration Of Odd Fellows' History In Douglas County Features Anniversary Fete

Growth Of Lodge From Charter Signed By Six Citizens In 1859 Related Here By Judge Jackson

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Scores of present and former members of Philetarian Lodge No. 8, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Roseburg, convened here Thursday night to mark the 100th anniversary of the organization which once boasted 586 brethren.

Ceremonies were highlighted in a talk by veteran member and former lodge master, County Judge V. T. Jackson, who gave his audience an intimate historical picture of the Roseburg organization which took root here March 9, 1859.

The judge told of weeks of reading necessary to gather the facts from 15 early years of lodge meeting minutes that began before Oregon residents found out they had just been voted into the union of states.

Congress, which implemented Oregon's statehood, was three thousand miles and nearly three months away at that time, Jackson pointed out in his talk.

The first minutes of IOOF lodge meetings described them as taking place in Oregon Territory, "although Congress had voted us into the union a month earlier," the judge said.

A feature during the anniversary celebration was the cutting of a huge cake designed by Jack Dent, Right Support of the Noble Grand, which was baked especially for the occasion. It pictured, in colored frosting, the 100-year history of the lodge.

It was served to more than 75 persons by the Rebekahs, attired in Centennial Year costumes for the occasion.

Ceremonies were opened with a short address by Ralph Russell, Roseburg businessman and former state IOOF Grand Master.

The century-old Roseburg lodge will sponsor the 1959 Grand Lodge (Continued on Page 2 Col. 6)

Paper Mill Strike Of Two Months Flares Into Riot

MECHANICVILLE, N.Y. (AP)—Rock-throwing, kicking and pushing broke out Friday night as workers tried to change shifts at a struck paper mill in this city approximately 25 miles north of Albany.

Workers at the West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co. plant changed shifts without incident this morning.

The plant, closed by the strike two months ago, split its 240 salaried employees into three shifts and resumed partial production Friday. On strike are 940 hourly employees.

The United Paperworkers and Papermakers Union called the walkout in a dispute over contract language.

A company spokesman charged that rocks were thrown through windows and a small fire started in a sulphur pile. The union claimed stones and steel bearings were hurled down at pickets.

No injuries were reported. Police escorted two groups of workers through the gates, and the crowd dispersed. No one was arrested, police said.

A union spokesman said the demonstration has been asked by several plant supervisors who, he contended, claimed they did not want to work but had been ordered to do so by the company.

The papermakers have asked Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller to intervene in the dispute. He referred the appeal to the chairman of the State Mediation Board.

Crash Heavily Damages Autos; Driver Cited

The Garden Valley Blvd. U. S. 99 BR junction was the scene of two collisions Friday afternoon less than two hours apart.

At 3:50 p. m. a car driven by Mrs. Frankie May Cole, 25, Route 3 Roseburg, collided with a sports car driven by Darlene June Horton, 19, NE Rifle Range Rd., Roseburg, when the Cole vehicle turned left from the highway east on Garden Valley Blvd.

Police cited Mrs. Cole for failure to yield the right of way. Both cars were extensively damaged, police stated.

At 5:30 p. m. Jose Guadalupe Munoz, 36, 1415 SE Douglas Ave., Roseburg, was cited for failure to stop when, police reported, his car ran a red light and collided with a car driven by Clifford Mack Shoemaker, Route 2, Roseburg.

Shoemaker, north bound on the highway, was turning left on a left turn signal when the collision took place. Police said Munoz's car apparently had defective brakes.

The Weather AIRPORT RECORDS

Showers and partial clearing to night, Sunday increasing cloudiness followed by rain in afternoon. Highest temp. last 24 hours — 67
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 42
Highest temp. any March ('53) — 79
Lowest temp. any March ('54) — 19
Precip. last 24 hours — .06
Precip. from March 1 — .53
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 23.70
Deficiency from Sept. 1 — 23
Sunset tonight, 6:26 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6:12 a. m.

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Sixth Warhead Rocket Hurlled Over Atlantic

Recovery Intact Aim Of Operation

Perfect Action Seen In First Stage; 2nd Vehicle Ignites

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—The Air Force hurled a futuristic ICBM warhead far over the Atlantic aboard a fiery Thor-Able rocket today and hoped to recover it intact for the first time in six launches.

The huge two-stage rocket, a modified combination of the intermediate range Thor and Vanguard appeared to perform perfectly during the 2 1/2 minutes it was in sight after a spectacular blastoff.

A fleet of search ships and planes waited in rendezvous off Ascension Island 5,000 miles to the southeast ready to recover the elusive cone after it splashed into the sea.

A bright puff and then a tiny flash of light in rapid succession indicated that the second stage of the 80-foot launching vehicle had ignited.

Up to now the Air Force had failed to retrieve one of the tiny cones that are vital in aiding missile scientists to develop the ultimate nuclear warhead shield for such ICBM's of the future as the Titan and Minuteman.

Previous flights fail. Five previous flights in 10 months — three of them with tiny white mice aboard — all resulted in failure, although two of the Thor-Ables flew intercontinental range without a hitch.

The latest Thor-Able was equipped with an advanced guidance system — the same as in the massive Titan — to insure greater accuracy on the flight 80 miles in space.

Last Wednesday the Air Force made a first attempt to recover the operational type warhead of an Atlas ICBM, but the mission failed when the missile ran out of steam after only about 700 miles of a planned 4,500 mile shot.

The last Thor-Able was fired Feb. 28, but it was blown up seconds later when instrumentation failed high in the sky.

Unfair Labor Charge Of Ex-Workers Ousted. SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Unfair labor practices complaints filed by two former employees against Sweet Home, Ore., Veneer Inc., were ordered dismissed today by Martin S. Bennett, a National Labor Relations Board trial examiner.

He found, however, that the company had interfered with employee rights. The complaints were filed for Grover Morris and Vernon R. Fagan, by Lumber and Sawmill Workers Local 2791.

Bennett held that the evidence did not prove the contention of the two men that they were discharged for union activities. But he directed the firm to post a notice that it will not interfere with employees in their exercise of rights to conduct such activities off the job.



HARRIS ELLSWORTH returns home

Permanent Stay In Roseburg Home, Ellsworth's Plan

With 16 years of public service in Washington D.C. behind him, Harris Ellsworth has returned to his Roseburg home. He says he's here to stay.

Ellsworth retired on March 1 as chairman of the federal Civil Service Commission, after serving a two-year term. Prior to that he was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 14 years, following service as editor of the News-Review for 14 years.

The former federal bureau head has no plans for the immediate future, but he said that he is certain for one thing — he has had his fling at elective office.

"I'm not really tired, but as far as running for office is concerned, I've had it," said the ex-Congressman.

His decision to retire from the Civil Service Commission was simplified, he said, by a 1966 federal law setting a six-year term of office. He and his wife decided against committing themselves to that tenure of service, he said.

Ellsworth's return trip home included a visit at Santa Fe, N.M., with his daughter, Mrs. Thomas F. McKenna. Present plans, he said, call for a visit in Tacoma, Wash., with his other daughter, Mrs. Donald J. Dittmann.

Aside from that? "I'm way behind in my fishing and I'll probably do some golf playing," he said. Other than that, he has no current interest in any other activity. He and his wife have reopened the family home, at 422 West Riverside Dr.

Violation Of Curfew Causes Boy's Arrest. A 16-year-old Roseburg boy was arrested about 1:30 a. m. Saturday in South Roseburg and charged with violating the city curfew ordinance.

Police found the boy lying down on the front seat of a car near the home of William Forrest while checking out reports of a prowler.

They were summoned to the house, at 1187 SE Kane St., by Forrest, who said a car had been parked near by and someone was on the porch and prowling around the side of the residence. Officers said in checking the premises they heard a car door shut and then found the youth who told them he was having car trouble and was trying to start the vehicle.

Budget Cuts Denounced By President

Slashing Weakens Security Of Nation, Ike Warns Congress

WASHINGTON (AP)—A new flare up in the battle of the budget appeared in prospect today as a result of President Eisenhower's strong denunciation of a House committee's fund cutting.

"Irresponsible action," Eisenhower said Friday after the House Appropriations Committee rejected his request for 225 million dollars in supplementary money for the Development Loan Fund.

In a statement issued from his Camp David, Md., headquarters, Eisenhower said: "The action today if not reversed will represent a long step backward toward isolating our country and weakening our national security."

Speaking in unusually strong terms, Eisenhower said the loan fund "must have additional funds now." The fund finances loans to underdeveloped areas in connection with the foreign aid program.

The committee's rejection of the fund request highlighted a day of budget slashing.

Heavy Slashes Made. The House itself cut more than 60 million dollars from proposed funds to finance the Treasury and Post Office departments during the 1960 fiscal year beginning next July 1.

Without controversy and by voice vote, the House passed and sent to the Senate a money bill appropriating \$779,402,000 to the Treasury, \$3,847,160,000 to the Post Office and \$1,535,000 to the Tax Court.

These sums are \$51,920,000 less than the Post Office requested. (Continued on Page 2 Col. 3)

Independence, Mo., Plans Big Sendoff For Oregon Trek

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. (AP)—A big parade will be held here April 18 as a sendoff to a covered wagon train which will leave the next day on a Continental journey to Independence, Ore.

The train will re-cross the pioneer Oregon Trail route. On hand for the parade are expected to be the governors of three nearby states. Gov. Mark Hatfield of Oregon said he hopes to be here, too.

Honorary wagon master will be former President Harry S. Truman. In the reviewing stand with him will be Govs. George Dockings of Kansas, Ralph G. Brooks of Nebraska and J. J. Hickey of Wyoming.

George C. Gratke Will Fill Vice President Job In New First National Bank Here

George C. Gratke will be the executive vice president of the new First National Bank of Roseburg, Elton V. Jackson, president, announced today. He will also be the 11th member of the bank's board of directors, not previously announced.

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Gratke grew up in Portland, later attended Multnomah College and the University of California at Berkeley. A Navy veteran of World War II, Gratke has been active in the Oregon Bankers Assn.

In Coquille he has served and held office in several community activities including the Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, American Cancer Society, Boy Scouts and St. James Episcopal Church.

In 1956 he was voted "Man of the Year" by the Coquille Chamber of Commerce.

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Demo Heads Ask Co. Judge To Quit Post

Ouster Of Welfare Administrator Also Asked In Labor Dispute

The Douglas County Democratic Party's executive board today called for the resignation of County Judge V. T. Jackson and firing of County Welfare Administrator, Lois Baker, in a sweeping condemnation of the welfare commission's recent proposal to end benefits to persons involved in labor disputes.

"The lengthy party resolution declared the welfare board meeting of March 11 'followed a written request from the Martin Bros. Container and Timber Products Corp.' suggesting its workmen, then involved in a dispute, be denied public welfare benefits."

It contended the County Welfare Commission's recommendation "proposes to use the State Welfare Commission to terminate labor disputes and serve as an employer weapon in labor disputes within the state."

The party time Democratic executives stated the party should "repudiate the recommendation of the Douglas County Welfare Commission. . . to disassociate the Democratic Party from actions of the Commission, it then acting chairman V. T. Jackson, members chairman V. T. Jackson, members Clough and Kelly, its administrator, Mrs. Lois Baker, and all other members supporting such recommendation."

Jackson Chairmen Board. Judge Jackson acted as welfare board chairman during a meeting last week in the absence of the commission's union representative, Charles W. Lynch, chairman.

At that time a commission quorum unanimously adopted a resolution to the effect that welfare benefits to persons involved in labor disputes should be terminated March 21.

Members took the position that it is the responsibility of the union to support its workers during (Continued on Page 2 Col. 2)

More Explosions Occur As Strike Marks 4th Month

HENDERSON, N.C. (AP)—Two more explosions were reported in this city Friday night as Gov. Luther Hodges met with federal and state negotiators for discussions on a violence-filled, four-month-old cotton mill strike.

For the second straight night there were blasts at the vacant home of Garland C. Cash, a non-striker, Cash shot and wounded a man Sunday. He said the man was "trying to light something" outside the house.

Officials of the strike-bound Harriet-Henderson mills are considering a union counter proposal on one of the key issues of the dispute—arbitration.

Boynton, Carolinas director of the Textile Workers Union of America, said the union offered to limit the number of cases which can be called to arbitration.

When the company refused to renew a 14-year-old arbitration clause in a new contract with the union, the TWA's two Henderson locals walked out Nov. 17. Management reopened its two mills Feb. 16 on a one-shift basis.

Welfare Board Seeks \$1,900,000 For Deficit. PORTLAND (AP)—The Oregon Public Welfare Commission has decided to ask the Oregon Legislature for \$1,900,000 as a deficit appropriation.

Revised Control Of City Soliciting To Be Planned

The Roseburg Retail Trade Assn., at a dinner meeting Friday noon, went on record favoring a solicitation control program. However, a modification of the plan presently under consideration was advised.

A motion was passed endorsing solicitation control but asking the Chamber of Commerce to appoint a committee to work out the plan for modification.

Some differences of opinion were expressed as to what type of solicitation should be accepted and which should be rejected. The general consensus of the small group in attendance was that while control was essential, it should be a bit more lenient than that proposed by a screening committee of the chamber.

The chamber already has in effect a control system which solicitors not generally approved list are checked by the committee. Chamber Secretary Harold Reume stated, however, that the system is not fully effective because it does not have the backing of all business firms.

He prefaced the discussion with a presentation of the problem. He read a list of about 55 organizations who had solicited in the community during the past year. Some had secured permission from the screening committee, but many had not and most of these went ahead with successful solicitations he said.

He estimated solicitations, which range from high school annuals advertising to promotions of circus and various types of programs, represented business firms' expenditures in excess of \$15,000 yearly. Much of this money goes out of the city and produces little in the way of advertising return.

He emphasized a control plan to be effective requires support from most of the business firms.

Weather Grouch Shuts Out Wife From Will. DALY CITY, Calif. (AP)—Alexander Galbraith's wife complained about the weather so much that he cut her out of his will.

"She sits at the window and broods and growls about it being cold or hot, whichever is her mood," said the native Scot's will which was filed for probate Friday. He died March 3 at 75.

Galbraith, a retired carpenter, willed his \$10,000 estate to three sisters in Scotland and said his widow, Annie, should get "only what the law will allow." He wrote that if his widow's daughter, M. Cassidy, filed a claim, "she is to receive \$1."

Phony 'Sex Pills' Sale Charged To Student, 13. MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP)—A 13-year-old student was turned over to juvenile authorities Friday — accused of selling "sex pills" to sailors and fellow students for up to \$1 each.

Police said the pills were nothing but aspirin tablets and liver pills. They added that the boy said he studied psychology in school. He told customers the pills were very potent.

He admitted charging 50 cents each for liver pills and \$1 for aspirin tablets, which he sold to sailors at nearby Moffett Field and to junior high school students. This netted him about \$50 in the past two months.

Rain In Spring Debut Heralded In Forecast. The frost is off the pumpkin over the weekend, but a nip of spring shower will be in the air. The weather man says it was 69 degrees at the peak point Friday, with a low of 43 Saturday morning. Rainfall is anticipated over the weekend.

The spring-like temperatures of most of the week have brought with them a profusion of flowers. Daffodils, narcissus, violets, hyacinths, Japanese quince, and forsythia are among those in bloom.

Warbling Of Quartets Will Be Heard Tonight. The Centennial Parade of Barbershop Quartets will lift voices in Central Junior High School Auditorium, this time, 8 p. m.

Among the entries in the event are the Anonymous Four from Roseburg, the Gams of Myrtle Creek, and Roseburg's Barbershop Chorus.

Eisenhower, Macmillan Mulling Compromise Bid To Khrushchev On Proposed Summit Talks. Aside from Berlin and German problems, it was evident that Eisenhower and Macmillan were planning to discuss the deadlocked negotiations with the Soviet Union on a nuclear test ban. This is among the issues on which the two do not see eye-to-eye.

Macmillan suggested to Khrushchev a month ago in Moscow some new ideas on a test ban. The ideas have not been officially disclosed, but Eisenhower told a recent news conference he was not convinced they were practical.

According to authoritative diplomatic informants, the differences boil down to this: Eisenhower, as he said in a broadcast speech Monday night, is prepared to go to a summit conference if developments justify it. This means that he wants from the foreign ministers meeting some progress toward resolution of the Berlin crisis. Macmillan reportedly believes that a summit meeting must be held regardless of what the foreign ministers do, and he wants the new notes to Moscow to fix a definite time for a top-level meeting.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

An Italian genius has invented a device to stop snoring without using a deadly weapon. If it proves to be an unqualified success, the world (using Emerson's words) will make a beaten path to his door.