Death Of Official At Geneva Delays Rusk's Final Speech

GENEVA (AP)—The death of a United Nations official caused quick adjournment of today's session of the disarmament conference and delayed a final personal appeal by Secretary of State Dean Rusk for East-West agreement on limited arms accords.

Rusk had planned a final speech on disarmament before leaving for Washington Tuesday. But the session opened with the announcement of the death Sunday of T. G. Narayanan, 50, an Indian diplomat and U.N. representative at nuclear test ban talks.

Before the session adjourned, Rusk praised Narayanan as "an international civil servant of the highest dedication, a man of great character, a man of great talent."

U.S. officials said Rusk would deliver his disarmament speech Tuesday.

Rusk also arranged a meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko in what was expected to be a final effort at Geneva to see whether any progress toward agreement on Berlin is possible.

Barring some new Soviet maneuver to break the Berlin or nuclear test deadlock, Rusk plans to leave Tuesday for Washington. He is expected to report to President Kennedy that in spite of the stalemates on major issues, the meetings of the foreign ministers in Geneva have registered some gains.

Chief among these in Rusk's view has been the organization of the work of the disarmament conference as well as some clarification of Berlin issues resulting from his talks with Gromyko.

Berlin Settlement Wanted

In the course of the talks Rusk reportedly emphasized repeatedly that the United States and its allies want a Berlin settlement but never at the cost of yielding their basic rights to maintain troops in the city and have access to it.

The United States and the Soviet Union opened the way for actual negotiations at the disarmament conference by agreeing on a system of committees to do the detailed bargaining. They also agreed that Soviet and Western proposals for disarmament would be given equal priority. Gromyko had first demanded top billing for the Soviet plan.

Western and Soviet officials both wrote off as a complete failure their efforts thus far to reach some agreement on a nuclear weapon test ban which would put an end to the race in development of new atomic weapons.

Convict Labor Uneconomical, Says Governor

EUGENE (AP) — Gov. Mark O. Hatfield told the Oregon Building and Construction Trades Council in Eugene Saturday he thought the use of convict labor on the construction of state buildings was uneconomical.

He also said the action does not afford the desired rehabilitation.

With the present unemployment in the building trades, he said, it does no good to teach a convict that trade, since he would be hard-pressed to get a job on his release.

Hatfield said his "belief and faith in the free enterprise system" has led him to oppose the use of convict labor.

He said the use of such laborers would throw free citizens in the building trades out of work and the resulting unemployment would cost the state money for unemployment compensation, and perhaps for aid to dependent children and general welfare assistance.

He said: "One doesn't need a university course in economics to see that, to save a little, we have to spend a lot more."

Hatfield cast the dissenting vote in a recent 2-1 decision by the State Board of Control to use the convicts on state building projects.

Secretary of State Howell Appling Jr., and State Treasurer Howard Belton were in favor of using the inmates.

Parachutist Cuts Power With Leap

A practicing parachutist caused a power outage in the Garden Valley area Friday when the shrouds of his chute fouled Copco power lines near the Fisher Rd. Store.

Copco officials said the chutist, who has not been identified, came down between two phases of a 12,000 volt circuit. The shrouds of the chute caused the wires to contact, blowing fuses and creating a power outage for residents on Quail Lane and Curry Rd.

The chutist was not injured. Copco officials said the jumper and his equipment were gone by the time the repair crew arrived.

It is believed the jumper was a member of a local parachute club. Officials said the company plans to investigate the incident.

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Girl's Curiosity Averts Home Fire

A daughter's curiosity possibly averted a serious fire at the H. LaVon Sanders home at 1495 NW Elmira Ct. Saturday afternoon.

The daughter, Zeta Smith, decided to investigate after two youngsters who had been playing in the home told her they had crawled out the back window of the house because of an unpleasant odor.

She entered the house and discovered it was filled with fumes emanating from a burning pillow and drapes. The Roseburg Rural Fire Department was summoned.

Firemen said it appeared that a davenport pillow had been set afire when it fell against an electric heater. Fiberglass drapes were scorched and ruined, but these curtains did not flame because of their fire-resistant nature, firemen reported. A portion of a davenport and an area of floor were also damaged.

The fire was reported at 4:07 p.m. Seven minutes later the rural department received another fire alarm from the Betty McMurry residence, 169 NE Pleasant. Firemen said an explosive reaction occurred in an oil stove when one of the occupants threw an excessive amount of oil into the stove.

The explosion blew the pipes from the stove, filling the house with smoke. Damage was negligible, said firemen.

Patton To Speak At Local Concert

William Patton, Ashland Shakespearean Festival general manager, will be a featured guest at the second annual Roseburg Dramatic and Musical Arts Association concert April 7.

Mrs. W. L. Heup, a spokesman for the association, said today Patton had agreed to speak as a preface to the program which features county cultural performances.

The Ashland man was formerly connected with such television shows as "People Are Funny," "December Bride" and the Jack Benny Show. He was also a publicity man for the Mark Hopkins Hotel.

Both Patton and his wife will attend the Roseburg performance.

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Either Of Dunes Proposals Okay With Candidate

Charles O. Porter of Eugene, former U. S. representative now running for Democratic candidacy for a return to that post, Sunday took the middle of the road in the Sand Dunes National Seashore controversy.

He said the seashore park, which would take in part of Douglas County's coastline, could just as well be established as a national recreation area under the U. S. forest Service as under the National Park Service.

He spoke at a meeting of Western Lane Democrats in Florence Sunday afternoon.

"The important thing, he said, is that most Oregonians and a majority of those in the Florence area favor some kind of federal recreation area here." He pointed out that most polls and newspaper editorial opinion are strongly positive.

"From the first, Dick Neuberger and I were willing to compromise," Porter said. "I am sure that Mrs. Neuberger will accept Sen. Morse's amendment to omit condemnation of land in the park area."

Porter said the objective could be swiftly accomplished as a Forest Service "national recreation area" largely through land exchanges, which in part meets objections raised by Rep. Edwin Durno to cost and jurisdiction.

"The trouble is not in the Kennedy administration, which will cooperate fully once the governor and congressional delegation reach agreement," he said.

Man Pleads Guilty To Petty Larceny

Jerry Kenneth Wilkins, 32, of Roseburg, scheduled to go on trial today on a grand larceny charge, pleaded guilty instead to a lesser charge of petty larceny, allowed by the court.

Circuit Judge Charles S. Woodrich accepted the plea, and on request of Wilkins for the two-day allowable waiting period, deferred sentencing until 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Wilkins was accused in a Grand Jury indictment brought Jan. 5 with the theft of tools from a pickup truck of Charles Skates on Dec. 21.

Dist. Atty Avery Thompson said he was agreeable to the lesser charge in the case.

Trial Pends

Trial is scheduled Tuesday at 10 a.m. for Andrew Lamar Page, 34, also of Roseburg, who has been charged in an indictment with larceny over $75 in connection with the same theft admitted by Wilkins in his guilty plea.

The two men were arrested by Roseburg City Police.

Roseburg Stores Hit By Vandals

Acts of vandalism were reported to Roseburg City Police over the weekend.

Eleven of the ornamental trees in box containers along SE Jackson St. were tipped over, and one of the trees was broken, shortly after midnight.

A beer bottle was thrown through a window of the Douglas County Farm Bureau Cooperative store, and another was thrown through a window of the Roseburg Loan Co. building at 465 SE Jackson St.

Runaway Picked Up

State police reported taking into custody 17-year-old Darrell Lee French of Seattle, Wash., at Roseburg Sunday. He was arrested for soliciting a ride from a public highway and placed in the custody of the Douglas County Juvenile Office. The boy is listed as a runaway.

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SINGER FRANKIE LAINE, left, points out a group of well wishers to President John F. Kennedy shortly before the President's departure from Palm Springs late Sunday. A group of nearly two thousand persons bade the President farewell as he departed for Washington after a weekend meeting with former President Eisenhower and a relaxing stay in the sun. (UPI Telephoto)

Local Woman Held After Auto Mishap

Mrs. Golda Claire Patchett, 53, of 721 SE Jackson St. was arrested on a charge of being drunk in an auto and violation of the basic rule (control) involving an accident, after her car left the road and hit a tree Sunday, Roseburg police report.

The accident occurred about 6:12 a.m. on W. Harvard Ave. near Stanton St. Mrs. Patchett was taken to the hospital for treatment of minor cuts and bruises and was then lodged in the Douglas County jail.

According to the police report, the car was traveling west on Harvard, about 150 yards west of Stanton St. The vehicle left the black top on the right side of the road. When it was brought back onto the roadway, it went out of control, turning end for end and slamming into a small oak tree. The car was pointed east when it stopped.

Other Accidents Noted

Two other minor accidents were reported to city police. Herbert Frank Wonce, of 1044 SE Main St., was cited for failure to yield right of way to oncoming traffic, after his car was involved in a minor skirmish with one operated by Betty Flo Lee of 1335 SE Lane St.

According to the report, Wonch had stopped at a stop sign, then proceeded through, not seeing the other car. His car fender, bumper and hood were damaged. The accident occurred Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at SE Kane and SE Lane streets.

Two Grants Pass men had to come to Roseburg to get involved in an accident. The car of William Franklin Ward was struck from the rear by one operated by Ernest William Burkett, as the latter stopped for a light on SE Stephens at Washington early Sunday.

Alfred Clare

Funeral services for Alfred E. Clare, 79, Tenmile, who died March 24 in a Canyonville hospital, were held at 2 p.m. today at Schroeder's Funeral Parlor in Coquille.

Interment was at Sunset Cemetery at Coos Bay. Elder A. T. Ritz of the Roseburg Seventh-day Adventist Church officiated at the services.

Clare was born Aug. 3, 1883, in Iowa and was married to Sarah Frances Odle April 4, 1904. She preceded him in death in 1927. Born to them was Doris Stunt, who died in 1943, and seven sons and one other daughter. The family moved to Oregon in 1935.

Survivors include his second wife, Phebe, whom he married in 1948; one daughter, Hattie Lightle, of Tenmile; seven sins, Raymond E. of Tiller, Claude O., of Eureka, Calif., Carl E. of Lebanon, Kenneth F. of Shady Cove, Ore., Lewis D. and Eldon, both of Lakeview, and Robert D., of San Francisco; three stepchildren, Eleanor Tennyson and Alyce Dwight, both of Tenmile; and Ben Tennyson, Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Marion Custer

Funeral services are slated Wednesday at Coos Bay for Mrs. Marion L. Custer, 73, longtime Coos Bay resident who died Sunday night.

Gladys Custer was born in Kansas but had resided in Coos Bay during most of her adult life.

Surviving are her husband, a son Keith of Roseburg and a grandson, Chris, also of Roseburg. She resided at 903 N. 8th St. in Coos Bay. Complete funeral arrangements are pending.

Walter Simmons

Funeral services for Walter Simmons, 72, of Sutherlin who died March 23 at a Roseburg hospital, will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, Sutherline. The Rev. B. E. Longanecker will officiate.

Private interment services will be held at the Roseburg Memorial Gardens.

Sutherlin-Oakland Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

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Surgery: Mrs. Lloyd Stepp, Myrtle Creek.

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Admitted

Medical: Patricia Halford, Roberta Graves, both of Roseburg.

Surgery: Danny Malone, Winston.

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Mrs. James Williams, Mrs. Earl Fender, Jan Kerrick, Mrs. Robert Thomas and daughter Elizabeth Ann, all of Roseburg; Shawn Hogan, Oakland; Connie Cross, Sutherlin; Beth Bissonnette, Winston.

2-Mile Gulf Swim Sees Skindiver Safe

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP)—Four teen-aged skindivers are missing after abandoning their tide-swept rubber raft in the Gulf of Mexico. A fifth youth swam two miles to shore about dark Saturday.

The four missing were Bradford Rice, 14, Warren Felley, 16, Eric Ruyle, 16, and Larry Stuart Bill, 17.

The fifth youth was Brian McCleary, 16, found sleeping on a beach near Fort McRae early Sunday.

McCleary said he and the other four were skindiving in the Gulf when the tide began carrying them to sea. Swells broke over their raft.

He said they tried to moor to a buoy but missed. Then, he said, they abandoned the raft and decided to swim ashore. The raft washed ashore. Face masks, shoes and fins were inside.

McCleary said he, Bill and Ruyle swam together. After a while, both he and Ruyle developed cramps and they separated about dark.

The youths were from nearby Fort Walton Beach.

Winston Chamber Slates Film Showing Tuesday

The regular meeting of the Winston Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the cafetorium of the Winston Junior High School.

A colored movie demonstrating equipment and underwater activities of the Douglas Pelican Skin Divers will be shown. Roy Fisher Jr., instructor, will be present to narrate as the film is shown.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting, which is open to the public, reports Phebe McGuire, correspondent.

Petty Thief Pays Debts

TWIN LAKE, Mich. (AP) — A conscience-stricken petty thief who stole a five-cent item from a Twin Lake market 20 years ago has paid his debt — with interest.

Proprietor Gus Oslund said he received a letter containing $1.05 and a note which explained the sender had taken the five-cent item and was ashamed.

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Kennedy Returns After Coast Visit

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy flew back today from a weekend in California, landing at Andrews Air Force Base, Md.

The flight from March Air Force Base took 4 hours and 22 minutes.

The President, accompanied by his brother, Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy, alighted from the big jet and quickly boarded a helicopter for the short hop into Washington.

Sunday the President lounged under the desert sun at the Palm Springs ranch of singer Bing Crosby. Although the temperature was 85, Crosby's pool was heated several degrees higher before Kennedy went swimming in it.

The President attended services at Sacred Heart Church and heard the Rev. A. G. Edwards preach on the theme that no one can be neutral in the service of God.

Ranger Says Taft Skiing Nears End

Skiing at Taft Mountain Winter Recreation Area east of Roseburg appears to be finished for the year, according to Les Spurgeon, snow ranger for the Little River District of the Umpqua National Forest.

He said today a drizzle over the weekend had melted snow. Late Sunday afternoon, he measured a mere 45 inches of snow on the runways.

The rain started Saturday afternoon just before the Edelweis Ski Club's night skiing session, which drew 45 skiers. It continued to sprinkle intermittently during the evening. The ski club furnished free coffee and doughnuts during the floodlighted evening session.

Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., a total 85 skiers was counted.

W-D Fire Equipment Back At Full Strength

The Winston-Dillard Fire Department again has its full force of equipment.

Saturday Fire Chief Max Neeley and fireman Charles Neavoll went to Salem to attend a pump training school and then went on to Cornelius, where they picked up a pumper truck which had been repaired. They returned home Sunday.

This truck is about 10 years old, the first one obtained by the department. The pump was damaged from freezing in the recent extreme cold weather, so it was decided to have the truck completely remodeled, repainted and repaired. A new, front-mount pump was installed.

The department again has two trucks, along with a disaster unit, in service.

While the truck was being renovated, the Roseburg Rural Fire Department was on standby call whenever the lone truck was out on a fire.

Council To Talk Paving, Sewers

Continuation of a public hearing on W. Oriole St. paving and sewer assessments is included in business before the Roseburg City Council tonight.

In other matters, the council will consider adoption of an assessment ordinance for NW Lynwood sanitary sewer project and W. Center St. and W. Tanager St. paving improvements.

City Budget Committee hearings opened Thursday night and will resume Tuesday night, continuing until the budget draft is completed. Meetings, slated at 7:30 p.m., are open to the public.

$600 Million Asked By Kennedy For Aid To Unemployed Areas

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy asked Congress today for a $600-million program to start public works projects at once in areas suffering from substantial unemployment.

Kennedy outlined his new program in a letter to the House Public Works Committee as the committee opened hearings on another administration public works plan—a standby $2-billion program for use in future recessions.

The President asked for prompt enactment of both an immediate and a standby program to provide jobs. The new program had been strongly urged by labor union leaders at a White House meeting with Kennedy two weeks ago.

The President said that, despite steady economic improvement during the past year, there are nearly 1,000 communities—large cities, smaller cities, and rural areas — that are experiencing "serious problems of prolonged, large-scale unemployment and economic distress."

Last week Kennedy reportedly endorsed a proposal by Sen. Joseph S. Clark Jr., D-Pa., and Rep. John A. Blatnik, D-Minn., that up to $500 million be made available for public works grants this year if the April unemployment figures don't show a dramatic drop.

The latest figures, for February, show 5.6 per cent of the labor force out of work.

The $500 million could be spent only in areas if persistently high unemployment and would have to be matched dollar-for-dollar by state and local governments.

The administration's official view on the proposal will be given to the House Public Works Committee today by Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg, Secretary of Welfare Abraham Ribicoff, Budget Director David E. Bell, Chairman Walter Heller of the President's Council of Economic Advisers and Kermit Gordon, a member of the council.

The committee will hold two weeks of hearings on Kennedy's request for the standby authority, which he outlined in a message to Congress last Feb. 19. He said it would be "an invaluable anti-recession tool."

Martha Raye In Hospital

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Actress Martha Raye was found unconscious late Sunday night on a deserted stretch of beach near her home at suburban Malibu.

A county fire department rescue squad revived her with a resuscitator. She was treated at Malibu Emergency Hospital and transferred to Hollywood West Hospital here.

Her physician, Dr. Morris Katz, said she evidently collapsed from exhaustion while walking alone on the sand. He said she is in good condition but will stay in the hospital a day or two.

The physician said the comedienne was found on the beach by one of her ex-husbands and her daughter who had become worried about her. Dr. Katz declined to identify the former husband or the daughter.

Divorced six times, Miss Raye has a daughter, Melodye Raye Condos, 18, by her fourth husband, Nick Condos, a former night club dancer.

Her husbands were, in order, Buddy Westmore, David Rose, Neal Lang, Condos, Edward Begley and Robert O'Shea.

At the emergency hospital she gave her age as 46. Attendants said she appeared to be in excellent spirits.

Concert Group Selects Artists For 1963 Year

The Roseburg Comumnity Concert Association Saturday, at the campaign, announced selection of a vocalist and a pianist as the two remaining artists for the 1962-63 concert series.

To appear in the fall will be Carole Larsen, young American-Norwegian soprano. She was soloist with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir on its last tour of the United States and Europe. She sang at the White House during the Eisenhower administration and has sung in the Hollywood Bowl, with Fiedler's Boston Pops Orchestra, and has toured Europe.

For a winter appearance will be pianist Leon Fleisher, winner of the Queen Elizabeth Belgian contest in 1952. He is a recording artist and is listed as one of the top ten American pianists.

The other concert selections, previously announced will be Tipton's Chamber Orchestra and Sextetto Mexicano.

Downtown Circulation Due For Food Petitions

Supporters of a move to establish Douglas County participation in a food welfare plan said today petition booths will be set up at three downtown locations Tuesday for the convenience of residents interested in signing the peititions.

Mrs. Nora Anderson said petition workers will be on duty in front of J. J. Newberry Co. store, at the Douglas County State Bank corner and at a third location.

On the following day, said Mrs. Anderson, the petition service will be made available at suburban points including The Drive-N-Save and Mark's Shopping Center areas. The service will be provided from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The petitioners seek county participation in a USDA surplus program administered in Oregon by the state Department of Finance Administration. Under the program, surplus foods are made available to low income families.

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United Fund Board Sets Planning Meet

A discussion on supplemental fund-raising activities is planned tonight when the Central Douglas United Fund board meets with agency representatives in the conference room of the First National Bank in Roseburg.

The meeting opens at 7:30 p.m.

Other problems of concern to agency representatives will be scanned. Officers said business will also include election of a secretary and treasurer to serve in 1962 and appointment of various standing committees.

Participating agencies are urged to have representatives present. Representatives from agencies not presently participating in United Fund are also invited. This will be the board's first regular "fourth Monday of the month" meeting.

Larcenies Investigated By Roseburg Policemen

Two larcenies have been reported to Roseburg City Police.

Charles Collins of Charles Collins Construction, 1245 Cedar St. reported over the weekend the theft the night of March 19 of a ladder, plywood and other materials from the site of a new home he is constructing at 1845 NW Calkins Rd.

A break and entry at the home of Jimmy Allen Boaz, 1334 SE Pine St., was reported as occurring sometime Saturday. Seven records were reported stolen. Entrance was believed through an unlocked front door.

14-Year-Old Reported With Rampant Vehicle

Roseburg City Police investigated a complaint of Mrs. Harry G. Rapp, 715 W. Alva Court, that a 14-year-old boy drove a jeep over the corner of her property, damaging the lawn, then drove the vehicle into a fence on the high school grounds about 11 a.m. Sunday.

The juvenile department is investigating the case in connection with alleged hit and run, destruction of public property, destruction of private property and driving a motor vehicle without a license.

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