AWARDS RECEIVED — Stars of an awards program which highlighted Sunday's Hospital Day open house at the U. S. Veterans Hospital in Roseburg were the four women above. The three women on the left received volunteer service awards, and Mrs. Vevia A. Howard, second from right, was chosen by her co-workers as the outstanding aide at the VA Hospital. Mrs. Howard has been a nursing assistant at the hospital 16 years. From left, the women receiving volunteer awards were Mrs. Cora Carlson, who received a bronze plaque for 7,500 hours of service; Mrs. Hazel Ison, gold emblem for 5,000 hours; and Mrs. Amy Driskell, silver emblem for 2,500 hours. Shown congratulating the women is Dr. John Donnelly, county medical officer.

Pro-Communists Take Laos City Near Red China Border

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP)—Pro-Communist forces have captured Nam Tha, a provincial capital only 20 miles from Red China's border that the royal Laotian government had vowed to defend to death.

Premier Boun Oum's government and Peiping radio today announced the fall of the town to the rebels after a Sunday of fighting.

The United States denounced the rebel attack as a violation of the year-old cease-fire but U.S. officials in Washington generally hoped it would not wreck attempts to set up a coalition neutralist regime to take Laos out of the cold war.

Boun Oum's Information Minister Bouavan Norasing said the 5,000 defenders of Nam Tha had been evacuated and the city was now in enemy hands.

Bouavan said the government had received only fragmentary reports from the area, 225 miles northwest of Vientiane, and gave no details of the retreat.

The only overland escape route from Nam Tha, which had been under siege for four months, was a road leading to Houei Sai, 150 miles to the southwest on the Thai border.

A group of 12 American military advisers with the government forces in the town fled in a helicopter to the royal capital, Luang Prabang. An American officer said the government troops put up a pretty good fight.

Peiping radio said Pathet Lao forces stormed Nam Tha in a fierce counterattack after the royal army — "along with the American" — began a large-scale attack on rebel defense positions.

The New China News Agency dispatch from Xieng Kouang, the rebel headquarters, said the defenders were routed and took flight in great numbers. The dispatch said surrounding areas also were seized.

There was no indication of the casualties in either the government or communist reports.

Nam Tha was the last government stronghold in the northwest Nam Tha Province. Vientiane had been sending reinforcements to make the town a showpiece of resistance.

The doom of the provincial capital was sealed with the rebel capture of Muong Sing last Thursday in an attack in which American military sources claimed about 200 Chinese Communist troops took part.

While Communist reports identified the captors of Nam Tha as Pathet Lao, Bouavan said he presumed the majority of the troops were Red Chinese and from Communist North Viet Nam.

Pope Canonizes Peru Handyman

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John XXIII has proclaimed a Peruvian mulatto handyman a saint and held up his dedicated life among the poor and sick as a valuable example for youth in the modern world.

A throng of 30,000 faithful from all parts of the world attended the canonization of Dominican Brother Martin de Porres Sunday in St. Peter's basilica.

The new saint was born out of wedlock nearly 400 years ago, son of a Spanish noble and his Negro mistress.

The vast throng jamming St. Peter's included representatives of the white, yellow, black and brown races. Thirty-eight cardinals were present, including Laurian Cardinal Rugambwa of Tanganyika, first Negro to become a prince of the church. Also present were Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York, Albert Gregory Cardinal Meyer of Chicago and Joseph Cardinal Ritter of St. Louis.

Bonneville Switchover Due For Hanna Nickel Tuesday

Bonneville Power Administration will complete a $250,000 high voltage conversion of its Hanna substation facilities May 8, with a four-to-five-hour outage at the Riddle nickel plant, according to L. A. Moore, Eugene, BPA district manager.

Energization of the new 230,000 volt facilities will coincide with similar conversion of the Pacific Power and Light Company's transmission system serving the area.

"The new Hanna substation high voltage service facilities will roughly quadruple the transmission line power capacity to the substation and provide reserves for any future expansion in the operations of the Hanna Nickel Smelting Company," Moore said.

Major new equipment added at the substation includes a 230,000 volt line terminal, an oil circuit breaker, installation of control and protective equipment, bus connections with the high voltage transformer bank, construction of a new entrance road and yard improvements. Approximately one - half acre of land was added to the substation site for the conversion facilities.

Moore said initial service to the Hanna plant was started in 1954 for production of the strategic defense metal. A wheeling agreement with the former California Oregon Power Company provided for transfer of the power from the Bonneville interconnection at Yamsey, south of Redmond, Ore., to the BPA Hanna substation. Consolidation of the company with the Pacific Power and Light Company now provides transfer service through that company on an energy exchange basis.

"BPA's current contract with the Hanna Company provides for delivery of about 70,000 kilowatts of firm and interruptible power representing gross revenues of over a million dollars a year," Moore said.

The Hanna mining and smelting operations served by BPA made a direct outlay of $8,147,973 in 1961 for supplies, payroll, taxes and other operating expenses, including power, according to Company officials.

Production of about 1,064,000 tons of crude ore at the mine accounted for 20,650,000 pounds of contained nickel in ferronickel at the smelter.

Last year the two companies, The Hanna Mining Company and Hanna Nickel Smelting Company, paid an average of 450 workers about $3,000,000 in salaries and wages, purchased over $3,300,000 worth of materials, supplies and services, paid $297,273 in State and local taxes and bought $1,263,956 worth of power.

Moore said the 115,000 volt terminal facilities, oil circuit breaker, disconnect switches, control and other equipment being retired from the sub-station will be utilized on other parts of the BPA system.

Douglas Gets Liquor Funds

Bert Laurance, county treasurer, reports the receipt of a check from the state of $6,915.20 for the county coffers.

The money, he said, represents the county's share of the quarterly distribution of 5 per cent of excess available monies remaining to the credit of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission at the end of March 31.

The distribution is made on the basis of population determined by the State Board of Census as of March 31.

Two Minors Held On Liquor Count

Robert Oliver Emerson, 19, of 2571 NE Stephens St., and Robert Wesley Warmock, 19, Tenmile, were arrested by Roseburg City Police Saturday about 9:45 p.m. to face charges of being minors in possession of alcoholic beverages.

The officers had stopped Emerson on a minor traffic violation, when they observed 17 full bottles of beer and two bottles partly full, which were held for evidence, the officers reported.

Stolen Car Recovered

State police report a car, owned by Edgar L. Person, 1622 SE Jackson St., Roseburg, was stolen here Sunday night but was recovered at Medford, where it had been abandoned. Another car was stolen in that city, according to the report.

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