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U.S. Dependents Begin Evacuation



JESTER HAIRSTON, famed Negro spiritual conductor from Los Angeles, was greeted with a packed house Tuesday night as he led some 600 youthful voices in a two-hour concert featuring his compositions. The event, which was enthusiastically received, was held in the Roseburg High School gym. Chorus from seven county high schools and the two Roseburg junior high schools took part, after

rehearsing with Hairston during the day on Monday and Tuesday. Hairston is shown with members of the Roseburg High School Chorus. Success of this major musical undertaking is prompting plans for a possible repeat in future years, according to those in charge. (News-Review Photo)

First Group Leaves Today Via Airliner

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (UPI)—The United States today evacuated nearly 200 Americans from strife-torn Haiti on a two-plane airlift. The evacuation was carried out without apparent incident.

The first batch of 68 dependents of U.S. Embassy personnel went out on a regular commercial flight at 7:30 a.m. p.m. The second aircraft, a charter flight from Miami, departed at 9 a.m. Of the 106 persons on the charter flight, 84 were dependents of military personnel.

The first plane was returning to Miami, Fla., via Montego Bay, Jamaica. The second plane, however, was scheduled to fly direct to Miami.

U.S. Embassy officials said they had expected about 200 American civilians or their dependents also to evacuate, but that the Washington recommendation they leave Haiti apparently had not been accepted.

Other Flights Thursday

Evacuation of 220 U.S. government civilian personnel and dependents here is expected to be completed Thursday morning with the arrival of a second charter flight from Miami. There are also two regularly scheduled American World Airways flights out of Port-au-Prince Thursday.

Most of today's evacuees were children, dressed in their Sunday best for the occasion. Heaps of baggage were stacked around the airport.

The U.S. order to evacuate women and children of government personnel was issued Tuesday because of what Washington termed a "continued deterioration" of the internal situation in Haiti.

The U.S. government Tuesday ordered all 220 dependents removed and urged the 1,300 private American residents to leave Haiti also.

"Progressive Disintegration"
Undersecretary of State George W. Ball said in Washington that the regime of President Francois Duvalier "seems to be in a kind of progressive disintegration" and in fact appears to be "falling apart."

(In Willemstad, Curacao, informed sources said the Haitian government had requested permission for a military plane to land on that Dutch Caribbean island off the Venezuelan coast, about 475 miles southeast of Haiti.)

(The sources said Haiti told Curacao authorities the plane's mission was to pick up passengers but there was no immediate reply to the authorities' request to specify the passengers' names. The report raised speculation that Haitian officials, possibly including Duvalier himself, might be making arrangements to leave the troubled Negro republic.)

Capital Appears Calm

The Haitian capital appeared calm today, but a strict 5-to-5 curfew remained in effect Tuesday night.

An exodus of Americans from Port au Prince has been in evidence for the past 10 days since the crisis with the Dominican Republic, Haiti's neighbor on the island of Hispaniola, neared the boiling point.

The threat of a Dominican invasion seemed to be held in abeyance today pending action by the Organization of American States (OAS) and the United Nations Security Council. Haiti requested the U.N. action.

The internal political situation remained tense. Duvalier's opponents have marked May 15 as the day for an attempted uprising. That is the day the president's legal six-year term expires.

IWA Locals Start Strike Balloting
International Woodworkers of Roseburg began taking strike ballots today at 7 a.m. in connection with pending industry-wide negotiations of forest products plants served by the IWA in this area.

The strike balloting will continue today until 5 p.m., then resume Thursday at 7 a.m., said Marvin Williams, business agent. Balloting ends Thursday night.

D. C. (Gundy) Gundulson, Western States Regional Council No. 2, Portland, is in Roseburg assisting in negotiations with three local major industries.

Contract negotiations were conducted this morning with U.S. Plywood plant officials. A 12:30 meeting was held with Evans Products management, and a conference with Forest Industries, Inc., was slated at 3:30 today.

Industry-wide contracts come up for renewal in the near future. The strike action votes of the employees will determine strength for union demand negotiations.

Col. J. K. Gray Is New County Health Officer

Col. James K. Gray, who retired May 1 after 20 years of service as an Army and Air Force doctor, has been appointed as Douglas County Health Officer.

County Judge V. T. Jackson said Dr. Gray expects to arrive in Roseburg to assume his duties here later this month. Dr. B. R. Shoemaker has served as interim county health officer during the past year, since the post was left vacant by resignation of Dr. John Donnelly. Dr. Shoemaker agreed to serve in this capacity until the county found a replacement for Dr. Donnelly.

The 56-year-old USAF doctor is ending his military career at Hancock Air Force Base, near Syracuse, N.Y. His family will remain in North Syracuse until the end of the school year.

Dr. Gray is a native of Wisconsin and a graduate of Beloit (Wis.) College, class of 1931. He was graduated from the University of Wisconsin Medical School in 1936 and served his internship and residency at the University of Oklahoma.

He has previous experience in the field of public health, having been employed by the Oklahoma State Health Dept.

Dr. Gray is presently a surgeon with the 26th Air Division, serving as medical advisor to the commander of the 26th and as supervisor of medical dispensaries for 18 radar squadrons.

Slayer Committed

EUGENE (UPI)—Albert Rowland, 48, Springfield, has been ordered committed to the Oregon State Hospital at Salem by Circuit Judge Roland Rodman.

He was charged with the fatal stabbing of Chester Fish, 32, Eugene, at Springfield April 16.

Mental Hospital Aides Charged With Brutality

COSTA MESA, Calif. (UPI)—Thirteen psychiatric technicians were charged Tuesday with more than 30 counts of mistreating mentally retarded children at Fairview State Hospital. One 19-year-old employee allegedly beat and blackened the eye of an infant.

Dave Bach, Orange County deputy district attorney, said the

Five Lose Lives On State Roads

By United Press International
Five persons lost their lives in Oregon accidents Tuesday. Three of the accidents were in Portland.

Lyle Steinbruck, 21, Portland, died in a car-in in Southeast Portland. He was buried for an hour and 20 minutes under 10 feet of mud.

Steinbruck was installing concrete cylinders for a septic tank for a house under construction. He was dead on arrival at Portland Sanitarium.

George Volkman, 63, Albany, was killed in a one-vehicle accident on the Salem Freeway near Portland. Multnomah County police said Volkman's vehicle rolled over four times after going out of control. A passenger, Harlan Johnson, Albany, suffered minor injuries.

Lloyd Hanmick, 8, Portland, and Michael Chilik, 78, Portland, lost their lives when they were struck by cars in northeast Portland.

Extortion Charge Hits New Mayor Of Illinois City

STREATOR, Ill. (UPI)—The popular, newly elected mayor of Streator said today \$3,000 in alleged "extortion" money was just a political donation from a Kansas sewage equipment firm.

Mayor Ralph Sopher was arrested by FBI agents in a cocktail lounge in Chicago Tuesday. He had just accepted an envelope which FBI agents said contained nearly \$3,000 in cash.

The mayor of the Central Illinois community had been sworn in for a new term less than 24 hours earlier. He was charged with extortion.

Free on bond in Streator today, Sopher defended his acceptance of the money.

He said the Kansas firm had offered to pay him and the four members of the city council "political remunerations" if they would help secure a \$30,000 sewage equipment contract for the city.

"It was a political contribution they were willing to make," Sopher said. "It was good will."

FBI agents were reported to be in Streator questioning other members of Sopher's administration.

A few hours before his arrest, Sopher had told fellow citizens that during his second term he planned to resurface the alleys, build a golf course and buy a water plant.

Hundreds Battle Chemical Blaze

SOMERVILLE, Mass. (UPI)—A cluster of chemical storage tanks exploded in a fury of flames today when fire swept across a chemical plant.

Hundreds of firefighters battled the general alarm blaze at the American Mineral Spirits Co. plant in a thickly industrial section of this city three miles north of Boston.

The wind-fanned fire broke out shortly after 6 a.m. PDT and three hours later was burning fiercely.

At least one fireman was injured. The rapid-fire explosion of 10 of 29 small tanks sent flames shooting 100 feet into the air and heavy black smoke turned day into night, hampering the fire-fighting operations. The smoke could be seen 15 miles away.

Cause of the fire was not known immediately. The flames threatened nearby industrial plants and employees in surrounding buildings were rushed to safety.

The sprawling chemical plant, a division of Pure Oil Co., was turned into an inferno as flames leaped from tank to tank and building to building.

Firemen were summoned from nearby communities including Boston, Arlington, Everett, Belmont and Saugus 12 miles away. Scores of policemen were dispatched to the area.

APPOINTS NEGRO EDUCATOR
NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI)—Gov. Frank Clement Tuesday appointed a Negro educator to the State Board of Education, the first such post ever to be held by a Negro in Tennessee.

Telstar's Signals Are Weak, But Satellite 'On Course'

NEW YORK (UPI)—Despite weak signals received at a French tracking station, Telstar II, the newest communications satellite is very much on course, a spokesman for American Telephone & Telegraph Co. said today.

Once it is in orbit, "a satellite doesn't get off course," the spokesman said. "It just continues to go around and around." He traced weak signals received Tuesday night at Pleumeur Bodou, France, to an "inauspicious slant range"

and "attitude" of the satellite. The "slant range" of Telstar II, or its distance in space from tracking stations, was especially great Tuesday night he said. This, he added, will improve as the satellite's orbit changes in relation to tracking stations on earth.

The gleaming space vehicle, launched Tuesday at Cape Canaveral, Fla., had a trajectory "as close to normal as any we have had to date," according to Robert H. Gray, a spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

At Goonhilly Downs, England, a spokesman for the British tracking station said he had "heard nothing about" the French report of trouble with the satellite. He said the station had picked up a "good" picture from Telstar II early today.

There was speculation that Telstar II would be able to relay to overseas points television pictures of astronaut L. Gordon Cooper's 22-orbit flight around the earth scheduled for next week.

Spokesmen for three of the major networks said they hoped parts of the Cooper shot could be relayed live on European television.

The Weather

AIRPORT RECORDS
Partly cloudy with a few showers today through Thursday.
Highest temp. last 24 hours 61
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 43
Highest temp. any May (56) 95
Lowest temp. any May (34) 26
Precip. last 24 hours 10
Precip. from May 1 3.66
Normal May Precip. 1.85
Normal Precip. 9:1 to 5:1 29.16
Precip. from Sept. 1 32.96
Sunset tonight, 7:23 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 4:51 a.m.



ARMORED VEHICLE lumbers down the street in Birmingham, Ala., with its occupants keeping close watch on parading negroes Tuesday. Loud-speakers on the top barge commands if necessary. Steel plate and heavy plate glass windows make the vehicle impregnable. (UPI Telephoto)

Settlement Hint Sounded In Tense Racial Turmoil

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (UPI)—A settlement to the racial strife that has plagued this city for more than a month appeared imminent today.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., leader of the massive protests that have resulted in more than 2,000 arrests, called a news conference for later today.

In Washington, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell said Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy had told him that "something very big" is due to break in the Birmingham situation.

Powell, at a news conference, emphasized that he was not quoting Kennedy. He said the development apparently involved "concessions," and not just token concessions.

The New York negro congressman said he originally called the conference to announce that he was asking President Kennedy and the attorney general to act against Birmingham authorities under an existing section of the federal criminal code.

A Birmingham Negro radio station said a settlement was expected shortly. Another station also carried a similar report.

Scores of the negro demonstrators arrested during the past week of stepped-up protests were being released from the crowded jails on bonds of \$500 each.

OAS Appeals For Crisis End In Caribbean

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Organization of American States appealed to Haiti and the Dominican Republic today to refrain from any action that might aggravate the 11-day-old Caribbean crisis.

By unanimous vote, the 20-nation OAS Council also agreed to enlarge a fact-finding mission which has been investigating the dispute. The mission was given additional power to deal with the deteriorating situation.

The action by the full OAS Council followed a similar appeal made earlier by its chairman to the presidents of the two warring governments to let the OAS find a peaceful solution to the crisis.

OAS Council Chairman Gonzalo Facio summoned all OAS ambassadors except those of Haiti and the Dominican Republic to thrash out in private a report of a fact-finding mission sent to the two countries last week, before turning the matter over to the OAS Council in public.

The OAS Council is expected to be asked to enlarge the powers of the fact-finding mission and send it back as soon as possible to the island of Hispaniola, shared by Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

The United States declared that the Haitian government of Dictator Duvalier was in a state of "progressive deterioration" and in fact "falling apart."

It was the prospect of chaos and violence that might accompany such disintegration that led the United States to order evacuation of 220 dependents of U.S. government personnel from Haiti and to recommend that private American citizens leave there.

Brookings Gets Soaked

BROOKINGS, Ore. (UPI)—Brookings, which had more than 10 inches of rain in the 48 hours up to 4 a.m. Tuesday, had only .02 of an inch in the 24-hour period following that.

TO VISIT ALGERIA

ALGIERS (UPI)—Algerian Labor Minister Bachir Boumazza said Tuesday that Cuban Premier Fidel Castro will visit Algeria "very soon."

Castro is currently visiting the Soviet Union. The government has been expecting him to visit Algeria but no date has been announced.

Helmeted state troopers formed a human barricade between the white and negro sections of the city.

Only a few new prisoners were added to the crowded jail population Tuesday but the situation almost got out of hand twice.

More than 3,000 Negroes participated in the demonstrations in which rocks were hurled at policemen and firemen who routed the demonstrators with water hoses.

Alabama Gov. George Wallace in Montgomery ordered 250 riot-trained state troopers to Birmingham to help preserve order.

President Kennedy was in close touch with the situation but the White House Tuesday indicated he had no immediate plans to intervene.

"The President continues to hope the situation can be solved by the people of Birmingham themselves," said acting White House press secretary Andrew Hatcher.

The Justice Department's chief civil rights trouble shooter, Burke Marshall, conferred almost constantly with various groups in an attempt to reach a settlement in the crisis, Negro leader Martin Luther King Jr. said just before the new round of demonstrations Tuesday that negotiators apparently were making some progress.

Says Merchants Reneged
"We have found the ground-work for some meaningful negotiations, but nothing positive has been done so far," he said. King ordered the demonstrations April 3 because, he said, white Birmingham merchants had reneged on promises to end segregation practices.

In New York, former baseball star Jackie Robinson said he would lead a demonstration in Birmingham next week "to show Martin Luther King that we are behind him." Negro leaders in Washington announced plans for a nationwide pilgrimage to Birmingham to support the demonstrators. They were awaiting word from King as to when to start the pilgrimage, they said.

Negro author James Baldwin warned at San Francisco the events in Birmingham should be ample indication to other cities that they are sitting "on a powder keg." Birmingham, he said, is "a forerunner of what's going to happen throughout the country."

A group of Negro ministers at Mobile, Ala., protested the "treatment of Negroes in Birmingham and other high-tension areas in the South who seek merely to demonstrate against the injustices of a segregated society."

Say Negroes Misled
But a Negro organization in Montgomery, calling itself the Sensible Approach of Negro Efforts (SANE), charged that "professional agitators posing as ministers are using the cloth to mislead Negroes." The group said persons such as King were creating an atmosphere so intense that peaceful settlement was difficult.

At Groton, Conn., the atomic submarine Flasher, sister ship of the ill-fated Thresher, was hit by three workmen in the sub's ballast tanks were killed and two others were injured.

The accident at the General Dynamics Electric Boat Yard came less than a month after the Thresher was lost at sea with 129 men aboard.

In New York harbor the British freighter City of Perth plowed into the Dutch ship, Pinta, and sank it. The captain and 21 crewmen of the 1,000-ton Pinta managed to lower two life boats and reach the British ship safely.

The collision ripped a gaping hole in the side of the Pinta and it sank in 39 minutes.

Speed-Up On Olalla Dam Requested By Farm Bureau

A request for accelerated action on the feasibility report for the proposed Olalla dam project has been made by the Douglas County Farm Bureau Federation.

The request will be sent to the regional office of the Bureau of Reclamation, with copies to be sent to Oregon senators and representatives. The action was taken at this week's meeting of county Farm Bureau group at the county fairgrounds.

It is hoped that the request will speed up action on overall county water development, according to Marie Brady, Farm Bureau reporter.

With eight centers represented and 38 members and guests present, legislation came in for considerable discussion. A bean grower told the group the proposed minimum wage law would be "hard for them to live with" because of extra record keeping involved.

Bill Alderson, Roseburg area Tidewater representative, introduced Ray Bigger and Homer Blum, also representing Tidewater Oil Co. Blum showed a short film on farm safety and explained the Tidewater program.

Don Ollivant reported that the wool pool sponsored by the Douglas County Livestock Association brought one of the top prices in the state. He also announced the lamb show will be held June 1.

Bert Allenby, fair manager, was present and said he plans to have a representative from his office attend each of the Center meetings sometime during the year.

Joe Brumback, chairman of the newly formed fair-exhibitors committee, explained the functions of the committee and asked that the County Farm Bureau elect a representative. Don Auer was elected with Webster Briggs as alternate.

It was decided the next meeting will be "J. Roland Parker Night," in honor of the extension agent who is retiring July 1.

In other racial developments Tuesday:

—The Georgia Board of Regents ordered Savannah State College closed to outsiders and gave striking Negro students until Thursday to return to classes or face expulsion. A large number of students withdrew from the college in protest against the dismissal of a professor, apparently for his efforts to get white students to attend his classes.

—The Alabama Legislature created a five-man committee to investigate racial disturbances in the state and gave it subpoena power to summon witnesses.

—A North Carolina Senate committee approved a bill eliminating a requirement that employers provide separate rest room facilities.

—Attorneys for the Madison (Tenn.) County school system asked a federal court to separate the county from Jackson City schools in a pending desegregation suit.

Six Men Dead In Sea Mishaps; One Is Injured

By United Press International
Three Atlantic Coast ship mishaps Tuesday took the lives of six workmen and injured at least one other.

Flash fires raced through an oil tanker and an atomic submarine in shippards and a small Dutch vessel sank in New York harbor after colliding with a British freighter.

At Gibbs Shipyard near Jacksonville, Fla., three men were killed and a fourth critically burned when a flash fire engulfed the hold of an oil tanker under repairs.

Firemen with oxygen masks worked in dense clouds of black smoke for an hour before bringing the victims to the deck. The four men were working about 10 feet below the water line of the "Gloucester," anchored in the St. John's River.

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