

Old Rosedale School Destroyed by Blaze

ROSEDALE — A roaring fire, with flames shooting high into the darkening sky, Sunday evening ended the career of historic Old Rosedale School, a landmark and community center for over four decades in this little community seven miles south of Salem.

Abandoned at the end of the last school year in favor of a new school now being constructed across the hills on Bates Road, the old, wooden structure fell victim to the fast-moving fire in little over an hour and was declared a complete loss.

Starting in a shed at the south end of the building around 7:40 p.m., the fire burnt itself out in the northeast corner, leaving nothing but two brick chimneys standing. Cause of the fire was unknown.

Connell Ward, clerk-business manager of the school, estimated the loss as around \$12,000, including \$2,000 worth of books, desks, chairs, maps and an old upright piano, most of which would have been moved to the new Rosedale School.

Among the spectators at the fire were Harry B. Johnson, assis-

tant superintendent of schools, and Melvin H. Drake, supervisor of buildings and grounds for the Salem School District, into whose custody Rosedale came last January.

Rosedale School was a separate school district until voters last December decided to consolidate with the Salem district.

There were 77 students and three teachers in the structure during its last year.

Ward said the destroyed structure had stood on its site atop the hill and under the oak tree since about 1910, or perhaps a little earlier. The site for the building, he said, was acquired in 1902.

For many years it was a two-room structure. Later, a third one was added, with a shed at the southernmost end. It was here that the fire started.

Keeping a watchful eye for possible spread of the fire, was the Liberty-Salem Heights Fire truck—which has a contract with the school district, although it does not operate in that area—a state forestry department truck, and a private firefighting truck belonging to Howard and Don Duffield.

2 Auto Firm Executives Missing at Crater Lake

CRATER LAKE, Ore. (AP)—Two executives of a Detroit motor firm have been missing for more than 24 hours in this Southern Oregon National Park.

Park officials identified the missing pair as A. M. Jones, Concord, Calif., and C. P. Culhan, Detroit, Mich., executives of the United Motors Service Corp., Detroit.



Justice William O. Douglas was in Portland last week transacting some judicial business after a fishing trip into the Olympics. He announced his intention to leave soon for Singapore there to mount a pack train for a journey through the Malay States. Thus the jurist will pursue his zest for travel and for intimate acquaintanceship with the peoples of Asia. Already he has traversed historic lands of the Middle East and on to India, and recorded his impressions in a book which might very well be made required reading for diplomats, members of Congress and politicians who talk glibly about world affairs. Even journalists might profit from the reading.

For the trips which Justice Douglas made were not on well-beaten paths of foreign travel, punctuated with official receptions at capitals which his judicial rank easily would entitle him to. They were made a foot or horseback through remote sections of mountains and deserts stopping at villages or at camps of nomads. All the while he studied the country and listened to the plaints of the peoples who are wrestling with their enemies—chiefly impoverished soil, greedy landlordism and lack of education.

For the most part the peoples of the Middle East are fearful of Russia. They want no part of Soviet domination; but the propaganda from Russian radios, offering golden promises of land proprietorship and social status does reach them. The ferment of discontent is working, and the West will be wise if it encourages the aspirations of the peoples rather than in league with the privileged classes seeks to suppress them.

Of the problem of subsistence which the populations struggle to solve (Continued on editorial page 4.)

Searchers Find Lost Boy in South Oregon

KLAMATH FALLS (AP)—A five-year-old boy missing more than 24 hours in the rugged Lost Lake region, was found alive and well Sunday.

The boy, Ernie Lefler, was found at about 2:15 p.m. (PST) in the forested region 25 miles northwest of this Southern Oregon city. His screams led searchers to the scene.

First word of the rescue came from Wally Myers, a Klamath Falls reporter at the scene. He said the boy was safe and well.

Ernie's mother, Mrs. Marie Clark of Medford, Ore., and Herman Lefler of Klamath Falls, vanished Saturday afternoon while on a camping trip with his grand parents.

Three crews searched through Saturday night without finding any trace of him. Sunday morning five different search crews totaling 125 men began beating through the brush. A party of three searchers reported hearing childish screams on a ridge west of nearby Four-Mile Lake.

After that the hunt concentrated in that area until the boy was found by six members of a Medford logging crew. He asked his rescuers to send a message to his mother.

"Mommy," he said, "I didn't want to, but I lost my Mickey Mouse sweater." He was apparently unharmed except for a touch of poison oak.

PLANE CHASH KILLS 5

DEL NORTE, Colo. (AP)—Five persons were killed Sunday night when a light plane crashed into a cliffside at the edge of Creede, 40 miles northwest of here.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"I'd like something for a piano quartet."

Delegate Disputes to Open Demo Conclave

Gov. Stevenson 'Draft' Gains; Start Set Today

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL CHICAGO (AP)—Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois shied away from the Democratic presidential nomination Sunday night with an I-don't-want-it statement.

But friends said he could be drafted. Pennsylvania attempted to crank up Stevenson band wagon for the Democratic National Convention opening Monday.

Pennsylvania counted noses, asking its big 70-vote delegation for "personal preferences" for a party nominee. The results—not binding—were:

Stevenson 32, Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee 14, President Truman 7. Others scattered or uncommitted.

Former Sen. Scott W. Lucas of Illinois came out of a puddle with Stevenson and other political associates saying:

"We're definitely going to draft him. There isn't any doubt in my mind that as you would accept."

Vice President Barkley, who wants top spot on the 1952 ticket and says he expects to get it, lost support from some labor union leaders but got a bit of solace from the backing of James A. Farley.

Averell Harriman, hoping for a nod from President Truman, revived his own drive for the nomination with a slap at Republican candidate Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Harriman said Eisenhower has a "schoolboy" knowledge of domestic problems. And if the general tries to besmirch administration foreign policy, Harriman predicted, "we'll pin his ears back because he's lying."

Outlook Uncertain But all the whirling maneuvers on the eve of the 31st Democratic Convention left the outlook as confused and uncertain as ever as to who eventually would pocket the nomination.

While would-be candidates scrapped among themselves—in genteel fashion—the real battle of the convention was shaping up as another North-South war over the administration's "Fair Deal" program.

It may break out Monday on the convention floor, almost before delegates are settled in their chairs. The big stake in the struggle is control over the convention and over the type of nominee it selects.

Change in Rules Northerners, and the coalition forces, at first were angling for a change in convention rules that would compel every delegate to pledge allegiance to the party candidates. Several Southern delegations said that might force them to take a walk—as some of them did in 1948 over the civil rights issue—because they are under orders not to make firm commitments on candidates and platform.

But then the Northerners beat a partial retreat, aiming their guns only at Mississippi and Texas delegates.

Those two states each sent rival pro-Truman and anti-Truman delegations to the convention. The Democratic National Committee voted that the anti-administration group should be seated subject to hearing the convention credentials committee and the convention itself.

Double-Barreled Now the strategy, as outlined by a Harriman spokesman, is to offer a double-barreled amendment to convention rules providing that:

First, any delegation that has been contested couldn't vote on the seating of a disputed delegation. That would apply only to Mississippi and Texas.

Second, before a Texas or Mississippi delegation could be seated, the credentials committee would have to make a finding that the delegation and each of its members would support the nominees for President and Vice President and give assurances the nominees will be on the official Democratic ballot at home.

Democrats Combine Smiles -- Barkley Has Truman's Nod, 'Sources' Indicate



CHICAGO—Two men who seek the Democratic presidential nomination ran second to a woman when it came to animated expressions. The woman who stole the spotlight in this greeting scene was Mrs. Robert S. Kerr, wife of the senator (center) from Oklahoma, as she shook hands with Sen. Richard B. Russell of Georgia. Senator Kerr was "made up" for a television show in Chicago when the meeting occurred. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)



CHICAGO—Maury Maverick (right), leader of "loyalist" Texas delegate group, which lost preliminary battle to be seated at Democratic national convention, gets over an objection point to Frank McKinney, chairman of the Democratic national committee, at credentials hearing in Chicago. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Mahoney's Demands for Pledge Split Delegation

By A. ROBERT SMITH Statesman Correspondent CHICAGO—Oregon's 12-man delegation to the Democratic convention was sent into a factional dispute Sunday night in its first caucus when State Sen. Tom Mahoney moved to bind the delegation to Sen. Estes Kefauver until such time as released by the Tennessee.

Pledged to support Kefauver and help gain for him the presidential nomination as long as he maintains a reasonable chance of winning, Oregon delegates must determine at which point the jig is up, should Kefauver begin to fade in the convention balloting.

Mahoney's motion to prevent Oregon delegates from abandoning a sinking ship until so signalled by their candidate was scheduled to be acted on at this morning's 9 a.m. caucus.

Representing his maneuver as a safeguard against a possible shift from Kefauver to Gov. Adlai Stevenson or Averell Harriman by some Oregon delegates, Mahoney continued a intra-party feud with national committeeman Monroe Sweetland, whom he has charged with supporting Stevenson rather than the choice of Oregon Democratic voters in the May 16 primary.

Sweetland, however, reaffirmed his intentions to work for Kefauver's candidacy.

Delegation Chairman Terry Schrank, Multnomah County sheriff, pooh-poohed any need for Mahoney's motion, saying each delegate was responsible to the party organization and the voters for carrying out their will in supporting Kefauver. He said only by majority vote of the delegation could it move to abandon the crime-busting senator.

Schrank, moreover, said the Mahoney motion would place the delegation at the disadvantage of not being able to control its own votes after balloting gets under way.

Privately, some delegates saw in Mahoney's efforts a subtle strategy designed to place the Sweetland group in the position of opposing a strict Kefauver loyalty pledge which Mahoney himself hopes will be defeated. Mahoney could then, they calculated, attempt to justify a possible switch in his own vote to another candidate after the first few ballots—possibly to Sen. Kerr of Oklahoma, whom Mahoney visited recently in Salt Lake City, all expenses paid to and from Portland.

Union Shop Issue Snags Steel Parleys

PITTSBURGH (AP)—New peace talks at White House prodding failed again Sunday to end the crippling 49-day-old steel strike.

After an all-day series of meetings, the industry issued a statement which said:

"The chief stumbling block . . . continues to be the question of compulsory unionism."

That statement followed a four-hour bargaining session between President Philip Murray of the CIO United Steelworkers and representatives of the industry.

A second meeting was held by industry leaders representing the largest producers in the country for two and a half hours.

"There are no further meetings scheduled for today," Next move in the defense-economy squeezing walkout is expected Monday when the union's big wage-policy committee meets in Pittsburgh to hear Murray's report on the status of negotiations and to give him help in planning the next course of action.

After the joint industry-union meeting broke up, speculation arose that enough progress had been made toward working out a settlement to get industrywide approval.

But that speculation was quashed by the industry's statement that compulsory union membership still is the big obstacle and that no new sessions are planned now.

Rains Dampen Olympic Track

HELSINKI (AP)—Heavy rain began falling Sunday night after conclusion of the first day's Olympic track and field competition and Finnish authorities again may have to set the running track aflame.

They flooded the clay track with gasoline early Sunday and set it afire. The track, which had taken a pounding both from Saturday's opening ceremonies as well as from the many days of rain, was springy and fast and two records were set on it.

The athletes had complained a few days ago the track was slow.

Barkley Has Truman's Nod, 'Sources' Indicate

-- Wrath at Chicago Conclave



CHICAGO—The Presidential nod, plus the far more important maneuvering of the most seasoned party chieftain, is quite likely to get the top spot for the 74-year-old vice president at the Democratic National Convention which opens here Monday.

In effect, the President has now nodded to a man he does not much like, and does not really approve as a candidate. Only a few days ago, Truman was still pointing out that if he feared leaving the White House in a pine box at the age of sixty-eight, the vice president, at seventy-four, was even more plainly debilitated by his age. But the party leaders have been working on the President.

Truman might well have seized the real leadership of this convention by deciding to organize a willy-nilly draft of Gov. Adlai Stevenson.

Matt Connelly and other White House allies of the pro-Barkley party leaders have been doing their efficient best to set the President against the Illinois governor. Truman would not "stick his neck out for Stevenson."

Truman might also have backed W. Averell Harriman, as, in fact, he was three-quarters committed to do. But again, the pro-Barkley leaders warned the President, probably entirely accurately, that at least two-thirds of the convention delegates would gang up to stop a Harriman nomination.

Among the candidates acceptable to the President, only Barkley was left. So Barkley got the famous nod. The question still remains how much this nod is worth. The pro-Barkley leaders divide naturally into two factions. The first faction is the Senate group, master-minded by the always ardent Senate secretary, Leslie Biffle. These men are for Barkley all the way. Faction number two comprises such local potentates as Col. Jacob Arvey of Illinois, Mayor David L. Lawrence of Pittsburgh and National Comptroller Chairman Frank McKinney. These men are not all-outers.

They are for Barkley because they like him, think him a good campaigner and believe he will hold the Democratic party together. They would rather back a draft Gov. Stevenson. But they do not dare start a draft-Stevenson movement at this time without a lead from the White House.

Draft-Stevenson On the other hand, if Vice President Barkley does not get a majority in Iran that would be a draft-Stevenson movement. In that case, those who really prefer Stevenson will soon begin deserting Barkley as well as the other candidates. The snowball can then roll up rather rapidly. Now it is the President try to stop the snowball. His nod to Barkley is only intended to give the vice president his chance. It is not a promise of last-ditch support.

Heavy Setback The heavy forces of Sen. Estes Kefauver and Averell Harriman have now united to fight Democratic Chairman McKinney's intended compromises of the civil rights issue and the delegate contests in Mississippi and Texas. If McKinney is beaten on these issues, it will be a heavy setback for the Barkley strategists.

Finally, there is the ruck of delegates, now just arriving in Chicago. Rightly or wrongly, the great majority of them have recovered from the defeatism which the mere name of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, formerly inspired. They think their party can win again, and most of them have an acute personal interest in victory. They do not seem to be too pleased by the news that Barkley, so widely advertised as the "caretaker candidate," has got the nod.

Summing up, Barkley is now the favorite, because he has the kind of support from the leaders that Truman got in 1944. His chances are all the better because, again as in 1944, the Liberal Democratic forces are divided and distracted. But Barkley's age and the "caretaker label" are still most heavy handicaps, and this is still very much a horse race.

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Los Angeles to Import London Fog for Study

LONDON (AP)—A Los Angeles architect prepared to leave for home Sunday night with bottled samples of London's famous fogs. S. Kenneth Johnson kept close tabs on fog and smoke in London during the month of June. With apparatus devised for the purpose he collected bottles of fog and smoke, and samples of the sulphuric content.

The Los Angeles County air pollution control board asked Johnson to make the check.

Boy's Appeal to Bicycle Thief Brings Donations

COLUMBUS, Ga. (AP)—A 15-year-old boy wrote a story Sunday about "The Bicycle Thief."

"I am just a poor boy," said Newt Jones of nearby Phenix City, Ala. "I work to go to school. My father was out. I would go to school in the morning and deliver papers in the afternoon."

"I managed," he continued, "to buy me a bicycle with some help from my father. You see there are seven in our family and I can't expect too much help."

Then his letter to the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer went on: "I have a little sister 9 years old. She has never walked. She does not have a wheelchair so you see we have to carry her in our arms."

"On Sundays I always ride her around on my wheel and the onliest time she gets to go to the show which she is crazy about is when I carry her on my bicycle."

"Well July 4th I carried her to the theater and after the show we came out to go home and some one had stolen my wheel. . . . I thought her heart would brake for she knows she won't get to go as much as she did. I hope that the one who got the wheel reads this and always remember that they did not steal a bicycle but the onliest way a little cripple girl had to go about in the city."

Newt had had to give up his grocery job and now he's working at odd jobs when available. The money is put aside for the final three dollar payment on a bicycle he doesn't have any more.

A few hours after the letter was published, two heavy hearts were lightened by donations of a bike to Newt and a wheelchair to his sister. Also by donations of money and offers of other bicycles—by children and grown-ups alike.

BASEBALL

Western International At Spokane 2, Salem 0 At Wenatchee 2-2, Vancouver 22-6 At Yakima 9-3, Victoria 1-8 At Lewiston 2-7, Tri-City 1-2

Pacific Coast League At Portland 9-2, Los Angeles 2-1 At Hollywood 10-0, San Diego 5-1 At San Francisco 5-1, Sacramento 2-6 At Seattle 1-3, Oakland 2-4

American League At New York 4, Chicago 5 At Boston 8, Cleveland 7 (12 inn.) At Philadelphia 8-3, Detroit 7-3 At Washington 7-6, St. Louis 6-3

National League At Pittsburgh 5, Brooklyn 8 At Chicago 7, New York 9 At Cincinnati 6, Philadelphia 8 (10 inn.) At St. Louis 8, Boston 4

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	75	52	.00
Portland	68	57	.00
Chicago	68	54	.00
San Francisco	65	75	trace
Chicago	96	79	trace

FORECAST (from U. S. Weather Bureau, McNary Field, Salem): Mostly fair today and tonight. Slightly warmer today, high near 80, low tonight near 50. Salem temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 56.

SALEM PRECIPITATION Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1

This Year	Last Year	Normal
42.69	49.94	37.43