

Adlai Guest Of Truman at White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gov. Adlai Stevenson came to Washington Wednesday night to "discuss the Democratic party" with President Truman.

That was about all the defeated presidential nominee would say about plans for his two nights and a full day as a White House guest, but there appeared no doubt that the big subject for talks with Truman and other party bigwigs was planning for a Democratic comeback.

Flying in from Atlantic City where he had attended memorial services for Philip Murray, late president of the CIO and one of his staunchest supporters in the recent campaign, Stevenson's commercial plane was about an hour late.

A crowd of some 200, largely made up of women and children, waited that hour in dark, chilly weather to shout a greeting. There was a chant of "we want Adlai" when the plane landed, and Stevenson in '56" and there were banners reading "retrieve with Steve."

Stevenson, who has had little to say about his own plans since he lost the election to Republican Dwight D. Eisenhower, left the welcoming group guessing. As he boarded a White House car on the way to the executive mansion he told them:

"I have only this to say aside from my gratitude. I'm not coming back for four years." There was no elaboration to clear up whether he meant he was pulling out of national capital affairs for that long, which would suggest an inactive political role for the present.

Basin Project Board to Meet

The Willamette-Basin project committee will hold its annual meeting, Dec. 17, in room 309, State Capitol building. Much of the day's program will center around irrigation and drainage development in the valley.

Luncheon speaker at noon in the Senator Hotel is Brigadier General C. H. Cherpensing, assistant chief of engineers for civil works from Washington, D.C. Governor Douglas McKay, Col. T. H. Lipscomb and Marshall Dana will all participate in the day's discussions.

During the day, a motion picture film, taken during the year of a large Polk County drainage project, will be shown.

Reforestation Classification For Land Near

Approximately 2,200 acres of Marion County land were tentatively approved by the State Forestry Department Friday as ready to be classified as reforestation lands under the Oregon forest fee and yield tax law.

The step was taken at a public hearing for owners of the 2,707 acres originally considered for the new classification. The hearing was held Friday afternoon in the Marion County courthouse.

Only one land owner, St. Benedict's Abbey at Mt. Angel was represented at the hearing. Several hundred acres of the abbey's land is affected by the new classification.

The forestry department's action Friday is contingent upon approval of the State Board of Forestry and the Oregon Tax Commission.

Lands classified as reforestation lands are removed from the ad-valorem tax roll of the county and placed on a special tax whereby the owner pays a 5 cents per acre per year forest fee.

At the time the timber crop is harvested a 12 1/2 per cent yield tax, based on the stumpage value of the timber, is made, thus deferring the bulk of the tax burden to a time when the landowner is better able to pay.

Purpose of the new law is to encourage more timber harvesting in Oregon and to encourage land-owners to let their timber grow to a better harvest period.

Sheriff to Attend State Convention

Marion County Sheriff Denver Young will be in Portland today and Friday attending the annual convention of the Oregon Sheriffs Association, of which he is a former officer.

The District Attorneys Association also will meet today and Friday but Marion County District Attorney E. O. Stadter Jr. indicated he would not attend. He said that Kenneth Brown, who will take over the district attorney's office in January, probably will attend.

Skelton Plans Divorce, But Wife Says 'No'

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Red Skelton said Wednesday that he and his wife Georgia are getting a divorce although "I'm so much in love it's pitiful."

"But she doesn't want to be in love," Red added sadly. "I can't take it any longer."

"All I want out of life is to go in and talk to my kids. I do not want my wife to lock her door."

He had been incommunicado for several hours in a Beverly Hills hotel suite.

Advisers who had tried to keep him from saying anything quickly jumped in with a statement that the comic's views had been voiced "in haste." There will be no divorce, they added, "at the moment."

Georgia, reached at the couple's Bel Air home, acknowledged she doesn't get along with Red, and "he doesn't get along with me."

The tall ex-model, red-haired like her husband, said:

"But maybe a guy with that much pressure on him doesn't get along with anybody."

Georgia said she doesn't want a divorce. "I've never been a quitter. I'm not going to be a quitter now."

She added: "I've devoted eight years of my life to him. He deserves a little happiness; he makes so many people happy."

"I've been a secretary and wet nurse, I've coddled, babied, alibied, and made excuses for him. I've tried to make it easier for him so he could work."

She said Red's clothes were still at home.

They have two children, Valentina Marie, 5, and Richard, 4.

Courthouse Board to Meet

General problems concerning construction of the new Marion Courthouse will be considered at a meeting of the Courthouse Commission Friday.

The meeting will take place at 1:30 p.m. in the County Court rooms in the temporary courthouse.

Construction on the new structure in downtown Salem is lagging behind, court members said Wednesday. Because of a shortage of structural steel, only partial crews are working, erecting the north wing.

The steel is needed to erect the main structure. A court spokesman said Wednesday the steel would arrive in early January.

550 Attend Y Smorgasbord

A total of 550 persons were served at the sixth annual YMCA-YWCA Smorgasbord dinner - program Wednesday night at the Salem YMCA.

Proceeds will go to the World Service fund. Theme of the program, which took place during the dinner, was an international "festival of nations."

The program, with Dave Hoss as master of ceremonies, included Polish songs and dances by Mrs. E. Donald Jessop; Indian songs and dances by a group of students from the Chemawa Indian School; square dances by the YMCA Swingmasters; international dances by Hans and Caroline Schnoor and a Portland YMCA dance group; piano numbers by little Rebecca Hang, and a medley of songs by the State Employees Association Caroleers.

No Plans to Attend Consistory



KRASIC, Yugoslavia — Archbishop Alojzije Stepinac, one of 24 new cardinals selected by Pope Pius XII, sits in his library on Krasic, Yugoslavia, Nov. 30. The archbishop, released a year ago from a prison on charges of collaborating with the Axis powers in World War II, said in a formal interview he has no plans to attend consistory in Rome for his formal elevation. "If I did leave I probably would not be permitted to return," he said. "I want to stay with my people—in life and death." (AP Wirephoto by radio from Paris to The Statesman.)

Ice Cycles in Portland Soon

PORTLAND—Declared to comprise the most unusual and surprising number ever produced by Ice Cycles is this year's production of "Birds of a Feather," one of the nine big sequences in the presentation set for the Portland Ice Arena Dec. 25 through Jan. 1.

Jane Kirby and Marshall Garrett headline the event. They are skating the Blue Bird Ballet and were trained by Babe Lynn.

Sixty-four Ice Cycles strut through the production in glittering costumes. The girls appear as peacocks, complete with huge fan-tail feathers.

Chuckie Stein, noted comic of the Ice Cycles, plays the role of Santa Claus.

Other production members include Gypsy Gold, Jingles Belles, Juke Box Jamboree, Dance Date, State of the Union, Minstrel Daze, Teddy Bears' Picnic and Walt Disney's Cinderella.

Saving Center Burglarized

Saving Center Market, 3390 Portland Rd., was reported burglarized sometime Tuesday night and \$307 said taken from two cash registers in the store.

Entry was apparently made by picking a lock on the back door of the building, with police reports indicated. No merchandise was reported stolen.

Hearing on Oil Truck Rates Set

A public hearing has been slated at 10 a.m. Monday in Room 210, Public Service Building, Salem, on a petition filed by the Pacific Inland Tariff Bureau, Inc., a proposed increase in rates on the transportation of petroleum and petroleum products in tank trucks be increased by 9 percent.

Roseburg to Install One-Way Traffic

ROSEBURG (AP) — A one-way traffic system will go into effect here Dec. 28. City Manager W. A. Gilchrist said installation of new street signs would start immediately.

The City Council approved the one-way traffic plan in a move to speed traffic.

Pilgrims View Body of Saint At Goa, India

GOA, Portuguese India (AP) — Roman Catholic pilgrims from five continents viewed the body of St. Francis Xavier, the apostle to the East Indies, as it was exposed Wednesday on the 400th anniversary of his death.

The body was placed in a silver casket in the Cathedral of Saint Catarina where it will lie until Jan. 3.

The pilgrims heard a transcribed radio address by Pope Pius XII, who referred to present day hardships of missionaries in Communist China, from which most Roman Catholic priests have been expelled.

The Pope expressed the hope that the heavens, "in this tremendous storm that is raging upon so many Catholic nations," will aid the "peaceful armies of God, who are so severely tested."

The 400th centenary of the saint's death was heralded at dawn by the ringing of bells in the cathedral and other old churches of this ancient city. Bands played, fireworks were set off and mortars fired in celebration.

A procession of church notables bore the urn containing the body of St. Francis Xavier to the cathedral from the Church of Bom Jesus (the Good Jesus) where it has been enshrined for 400 years.

There the seals of the coffin were broken and the exposed body placed in the silver casket.

R. E. Bonesteel Installed as Head Of Auto Dealers

PORTLAND (AP) — Russell E. Bonesteel, Salem, Wednesday was installed as president of the Oregon Automobile Dealers Association.

Gov. Douglas McKay spoke at the meeting.

Others installed include Roy Burnett Jr., Portland, first vice president; Benjamin V. Collard, Eugene, second vice president, and D. C. Clark, Baker, and B. E. Owens, Salem, directors.

Mrs. Seales Rites Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Nora Seales, who died Tuesday, will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in the W. T. Rigdon Chapel.

Mrs. Seales was born in Whitman City, Wash., on April 4, 1879. She grew up and went to school there and in 1914 married Clarence A. Seales. They moved to Independence, Ore., and stayed until 1924 when they came to Salem.

Mrs. Seales was a member of the Christian Science Church. Survivors include her mother, Anne Scott, Salem; a son, Robert Seales, Salem; daughter, Mrs. Doris Davis, Loyalton, Calif.; sisters, Cloy Zimmer, Portland, and Ruby Armfield, Bingham, Wash.; two grandchildren.

Permits Issued For 2 Homes

Construction permits for two new homes were issued Wednesday by the Salem city engineer's office.

The permits were issued to Oregon Rentals for a \$5,500 home at 2275 Electric Ave., and a \$7,000 home at 2281 Electric Ave. A permit was also issued to Ernest Bowen to alter a dwelling at 686 University Ave., \$1,200.

was unable to explain the source, since there had been no fire burning in the house.

Gene spent the night with the Ray Watkins family. No estimate of the loss was available pending the Rudy family's return.

Fire Levels Idanha Home

IDANHA—Fire of undetermined origin claimed the recently-remodeled home and the possessions of the Julian Rudy family near Idanha Tuesday night.

The two-bedroom home and its contents, many of which were new furnishings, were a complete loss. The family's pet dog, which was shut in the house, died in the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy were in Portland at the time. Their only son, Gene, 15, who had been at home earlier in the evening, was attending a basketball game at Detroit when the fire struck. He

Contrast Noted in Russian, Oregon Cannery Output

SAN FRANCISCO — Oregon's production of canned foods measured in terms of comparative population is 60 times greater than that of the Soviet Union, according to Dr. H. E. Michl, economist for American Can Company.

He said U. S. Department of Commerce figures show that the USSR annually produces about 4.6 cans of food per person. Oregon's yearly production is equivalent to about 277 cans of food for every man, woman and child in the state, added Dr. Michl, whose company has pioneered in the development of high speed can production equipment, which has made a large scale American canning industry possible.

"Although Pravda, official Soviet newspaper, disdainfully labels life in the United States a 'tin-can civilization,' the Russians since the end of World War II have quadrupled their production of canned foods," Dr. Michl pointed out.

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Berry Certification Subject of Meeting

Laying hens will be 2 to 4 per cent fewer Jan. 1 than they were a year ago, while feed prices are not expected to go up materially, leaving the feed-egg ration more favorable for next spring than last spring, Ben A. Newell, Marion County agent, said Wednesday while reviewing the outlook for the 1953 poultryman.

The result will be an increase in the number of chicks raised in 1953, Newell added, as he advised farm people to check carefully their management and housing conditions before the season starts.

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Washington Prepares for Colored Oleo

SEATTLE (AP) — Tons of colored oleomargarine poured into Washington retail outlets at the break of midnight Wednesday for distribution to consumers for the first time in a half century.

Midnight marked the effectiveness of the initiative passed overwhelmingly by Washington voters at the Nov. 4 general election. Distributors were using railroads, trucks, private automobiles and taxicabs to get the colored product into stores before the opening of business Thursday morning.

In Tacoma, A. L. Rasmussen, who fathered the oleo initiative after several unsuccessful attempts to get it through the state legislature, said:

"The people's will is served at last. x x x It's a good thing we have a process that permits people to get what they want when the Legislature refuses to recognize their wishes."

Rasmussen said the committee he headed spent only \$3,000 in putting through the sale of the colored vegetable spread.

Which answered the remaker of one oleomargarine company representative who said:

"We couldn't understand. Rasmussen. We offered to pour thousands of dollars into the campaign but he said he didn't want any help. He said he didn't want to owe us anything, he might want to tax us someday."

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