

Paul Patterson Takes Governor's Oath in Brief Ceremony



This paper started a chain of events that changed Oregon's governors Wednesday. It's the resignation of Douglas McKay (left), who is shown handing it to Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury.

With his hand upraised for the oath of office, Paul L. Patterson of Hillsboro became Oregon's 26th state governor Wednesday morning. Following in the legal succession upon the resignation of Douglas McKay, former Senate President Patterson was sworn in by Chief Justice James T. Brand of the State Supreme Court (right).

Shown above with Gov. Paul L. Patterson are Edwin H. Armstrong (left) who will remain as administrative aide to Patterson, and Miss Alene (Peg) Phillips, personal secretary to the last three governors, who will work in the Interior Department under Ex-Gov. McKay.

To Keep McKay Program

By WINSTON H. TAYLOR
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Oregon gained a new governor Wednesday, as Paul L. Patterson, 52, a Hillsboro attorney, was sworn in to succeed Douglas McKay, soon to become U. S. secretary of the interior.

The ceremony took less than 10 minutes in the governor's public office at the Capitol, with more than 150 state officials and other well-wishers crowded around.

Patterson issued a statement of his intention to continue the McKay program for Oregon, with the special objectives of integrity and fairness, carrying on reconstruction for efficiency and economy, holding state tax demands to a "proper minimum."

"McKay filed his resignation with the secretary of state's office at 10 a. m. Then Patterson moved from Salem to his new office as governor with the oath administered by Chief Justice James T. Brand of the State Supreme Court.

"Difficult Decision"

In a statement McKay said the resignation ending his service as governor of Oregon was the result of a "most difficult decision."

"It was possible only because I hoped it would be of service to the people of Oregon as well as to the people of the nation by active participation in the new administration," the statement continued. "Dwight D. Eisenhower inspires the best a man has to offer."

"The decision could not have been made had I not felt that the governorship would pass into qualified and capable hands. The splendid record of Paul Patterson in all his distinguished service is guarantee of courageous and vigorous leadership. The state will go forward under his administration.

Given Support

"It would be impossible to thank all those who worked with me in the state administration and the thousands of sincere citizens whose encouragement, support and counsel sustained our effort."

McKay first became governor in 1949 and his current term would have expired in January, 1955.

Patterson declared he was tremendously pleased with the opportunity to serve the people of Oregon as their governor.

It is particularly pleasing that the continuity created by the naming of Governor Douglas McKay to a position of important trust in the Eisenhower administration," Patterson continued. "His appointment symbolizes to the nation recognition of integrity, sincerity and a common sense of approach to the problems of national administration which he has so ably demonstrated in his Oregon administration.

To Continue Program

"The people of Oregon in 1950 approved and endorsed the McKay program for Oregon. It is my responsibility and my intention to continue that program."

"Three objectives will have my special interest and concern."

"That Oregon shall have a state government whose integrity and fairness will justify the unlimited confidence of the people of the state.

"That during this period when national defense has a first claim on our tax resources, state tax demands should be held to a proper minimum and that Oregon shall guarantee that no one is required to pay more than his fair share because others escape by favoritism or loopholes of law and administration."

Governor Patterson said he is not unmindful of the difficulties that lie ahead in these critical times.

"I am confident, however, Patterson continued, "that with the aid and assistance of the many fine people of Oregon who have expressed their desire to help, I can succeed in carrying on the work of my great predecessors."

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Night Temperature To Stay Freezing

Sub-freezing pre-dawn temperatures, which have struck the Salem area for the past several days, are expected to continue today, according to the U. S. Weather Bureau at McNary Field.

But the weatherman looks for slightly warmer temperatures Friday with the possibility of rain.

The mercury has dropped to 30 degrees—two below freezing Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and is expected by the weather bureau to repeat this morning. Tuesday's low was the coldest reading for this month.

Hanson to Operate Santiam Ski Lodge

BEND (AP) — The Santiam Ski Lodge, owned by the U. S. Forest Service, will be managed this year by Harold Hanson of Salem.

Hanson said he expects to have a tow and other facilities operating for the Christmas holidays.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

UNITED NATIONS, New York, Dec. 14—New York is getting all dressed up for Christmas. Other cities across the country are doing the same to be sure, but here, especially in the stores, the decorations are on a more lavish scale.

The central feature of outside decorating may be found at Rockefeller Center. There in front of the RCA building a tall fir tree has been set up, gaily trimmed with luminous plastic balls, a myriad of tiny lights, and with silvery ropes looping among the branches. On the promenade leading from Fifth Avenue to the skating rink rows of tall white candles topped with lights search along the strip where in summer the waterfall plays. And fronting the scene, across the avenue in the lighted front of Saks-Fifth Avenue Store, figures of carollers line the second story.

Most interesting of the store windows are those at Lord & Taylor's where animated figures perform gay skaters on a rink of mirrored ice, a ferris wheel, domestic scenes with figures busy at sewing and cleaning. Macy's have given over a long stretch of their 34th St. windows to a Lionel train exhibit. Other stores of course have very attractive windows. The prevailing color is white rather than red and green, even the "trees" are lacy with frost and ice.

Along Park Avenue, which our hotel faces, thirty Christmas trees were set up in the parking strip in the center, and were lighter to night. They were raised in memory of those who died in World War II and in the Korean War. And down in front

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New \$600,000 State Agriculture Building Sought

The State Board of Agriculture decided Wednesday to ask the 1953 legislature for an appropriation of \$600,000 to construct a new state agricultural building.

It was proposed that the structure be located on the fringe of Salem, where adequate parking space would be available. Board members said the current building, located in the capitol group, is inadequate to meet the increasing demands of the agricultural department.

The department, under the proposal, would repay half of the money appropriated by the legislature through a levy on licenses and service fees not to exceed two per cent annually. Fred Cockell, Milwaukie, presided at the meeting.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH

DES MOINES (AP) — Ben Taylor, 114, a former slave who refused to brag "about bein' de oldest man in Iowa and maybe in de whole world 'cause de Lawd don't like braggin'," died of pneumonia at a hospital here Wednesday.



"Just give me a jug of wine thou, and let me loaf."

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Benton County Men Arrested In Surplus Deal

PORTLAND (AP) — A charge of conspiring to commit fraud in connection with the purchase of war surplus trucks put five Oregon men under bond Wednesday.

Three of them are prominent Benton County lumbermen, one a logging truck driver, and the other a sand and gravel company employee.

They were charged under a Los Angeles indictment, accusing them of being involved in a transaction to buy trucks from the War Assets Administration for re-sale, Marshal Jack Caulfield said.

He said that one of the five, Francis W. Fetherston, Eugene, a logging truck driver who formerly lived at Corvallis, is charged with buying several trucks under the guise that they were for his own use. As a veteran he could make such a purchase.

Actually, the government contends, the trucks were bought for re-sale. The other four are charged, as purchasers, with conspiring in the transaction.

Arrested and released under \$2,500 bail each, besides Fetherston, were Ben Ellis and George Edward Shroyer, Corvallis lumber mill operators, and John M. Fields of Philomath, an employe of the Corvallis Sand and Gravel Co.

Rex Clemens, head of Clemens Forest Products Co., Corvallis, owner of the largest lumber mill in Benton County, was indicted, but was not placed under arrest because he was in a hospital with a heart attack.

Karl Huston, his attorney, said he would post the \$2,500 bail for Clemens. Huston, who also represents Ellis and Shroyer, said the three told him they were unable to explain the indictments.

The five would be removed to Los Angeles to face the charges under the indictments. The United States attorney's office at Los Angeles said seven men were indicted altogether, but the other names and details would not be released until all were in custody.

Grounded Ship Moves Slightly

ABERDEEN (AP) — A salvage tug pulled the freighter Yorkmar "a length of the ship" on the beach west of here Wednesday and hopes ran high for refloating her on the high tide at noon Thursday.

The 7,200-ton ship has been held a captive of beach sands for nine days.

The Coast Guard reported the tug Salvage Chief from Portland succeeded in swinging the ship's stern on Wednesday's high tide and pulling it about 400 feet closer to the safety for which salvage observers once almost despaired.

The captain and 37-man crew of the Calmar Line ship have remained aboard since she ran aground while trying to enter Grays Harbor on a trip from San Francisco.

The tug Sea Lion from San Francisco will be added to the salvage forces for Thursday's try. It passed a tow line to the Salvage Chief Wednesday afternoon so it will be able to "brace" the Chief in the next pulling effort in case the Chief's catch anchors should slip on the ocean floor.

McKay to Occupy Office in Capitol

Former Gov. Douglas McKay will occupy a conference room in the State Capitol pending his departure for Washington, D. C., probably about Jan. 1, to assume his duties as Secretary of the Interior.

McKay said he has a series of appointments with numerous individuals and delegations prior to his departure.

Siamese Twins Parted In 12½-Hour Operation

CHICAGO (AP) — The 15-month-old Brodie boys, Siamese twins, were separated Wednesday night in a dramatic, unparalleled 12-hour, 40-minute operation that culminated more than a year of medical planning and preparation.

If the twins live, the operation will be the first successful one of its kind in medical history. It will go down as one of the longest on record involving children.

Doctors said the odds were against the twins' survival from the start but that the boys, Roger Lee and Rodney Dee Brodie of Moline, Ill., were "unbelievably hearty."

The twins were joined at the head. Tests before Wednesday's operations showed they had separate brains and separate brain coverings, at least in part.

Stanley Olson, dean of the University of Illinois College of Medicine, said the twins still had a "long way to go" before their survival is assured.

He said the post-operative period usually is more critical than the operation itself.

Teams of doctors, representing five medical specialties, began operating at 8 a. m. Announcement that the twins had been separated came at 7:30 p. m., but surgeons continued to work over the twins as the announcement was made.

The hospital spokesman reported the separation was accomplished at 6:30 p. m. That was 10 hours and 36 minutes after the start of the operation.

Doctors Exhausted

The spokesman said that a detailed account of the history-making surgery will not be available until Thursday morning. He explained:

"The members of the operating team are exhausted."

Two of the surgeons, including the head surgeon, did not leave the operating room during the entire operation.

The operation was conducted in the Illinois Neuropsychiatric Institute, part of the University of Illinois Medical Center in Chicago. Cost of Wednesday's surgery and eight previous preparatory operations was borne by the university with cost to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Royt Brodie.

Other was Simple

In comparison, the successful separation of twin girls born Sunday in Mount Sinai Hospital, Cleveland, was relatively simple. The girls were joined at a point where the chest and abdomen meet by a thin band of flesh, small vessels and cartilage. No vital organs were involved.

Except for the joined skulls the Brodie boys appeared to be normal.

Weeks before Wednesday's operation, they could crawl, roll and sit. Roger would stand in a crouched position when invited to do so. Both loved to "patty cake" and could say "Da Da," "Hi," and "Nighty-Night." They attempted to mimic whatever they heard.

This month the twins tipped the scales at 38 pounds, combined weight. Roger measured 30 inches long and Rodney, 29 ¼ inches.

The Brodie boys live on an 87-acre farm near Moline, Brodie, 34, farmer, the land last summer was been employed as a meat cutter in a Moline warehouse this winter.

The most famous Siamese twins were Chang and Eng, born in Siam of Chinese parents in 1811. After a prosperous career as showmen in the United States, they retired to a North Carolina farm, married sisters, had children, and lived until 1874.

THE WEATHER			
	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	43	30	.00
Portland	48	31	.00
San Francisco	55	45	.00
Chicago	46	38	.00
New York	48	35	.00
Los Angeles	58	48	.00

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy with little temperature change today and tonight. High today, 44-46; low tonight, near 37. Temperature at 12:31 a. m. today was 37.

RALEIGH PRECIPITATION

Since Start of Weather Year, Sept. 1	This Year	Last Year	Normal
	31.42		14.48

Steel Allotment For Civilian Use Increased

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government Wednesday authorized millions of automobiles and other civilian goods to increase their use of steel in the second quarter of next year up to 70 per cent of the amount they consumed before the outbreak of the Korean war.

The Defense Production Administration said this is the highest allocation of steel since the present mobilization program began.

It is about 16 per cent higher than for the third quarter of this year.

Ralph Trigg, acting DPA chief, said the bigger allotments should permit in the second quarter:

1. Production of 1,250,000 passenger cars and 315,000 trucks.
2. Increased construction of small schools, hospitals, power and transportation facilities and public works.
3. The highest rate of highway construction ever achieved in this country, but still slightly below the rate of one million living units annually.
4. Full development of the atomic energy construction program as planned, along with meeting full defense needs of defense agencies.
5. New housing construction at the rate of one million living units annually.
6. Production of 9,000 freight cars a month, the highest rate since scarce materials were put under government control.

Unander Takes Treasurer Oath

Sigfrid Unander, Portland, who will become Oregon State Treasurer Jan. 5, took his oath of office Wednesday.

It was administered by Chief Justice James T. Brand.

The law requires that the new treasurer must take his oath within 20 days after he is notified that he has been elected.

NEGOTIATIONS COLLAPSE

PARIS (AP) — An eleven-hour effort by the Truman administration to solve the Anglo-Iranian oil dispute appeared Wednesday night to have collapsed, with the British-American talks ended here without "any sort of solution in sight."

Official sources said the latest British-American talks ended here without "any sort of solution in sight."

Willamette Basin Meet Talks Favor More Local Controls

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
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A back-to-the-state-and-the-people policy on river basin projects was clearly favored by practically all the speakers at the annual meeting of the Willamette Valley Basin project committee meeting held at Senator Hotel Wednesday.

More than 200 people attended the meeting and luncheon over which Elmo Chase of Eugene presided.

The Willamette Valley projects will be developed just as rapidly as the valley wants them developed, Ronald E. Jones, Brooks, chairman of the basin commission and opening speaker, told the group. He said development will be measured "by just how much you will be able to assist."

The new policy was apparently due to two causes: that the construction period was more than 50 per cent completed, and that it was time to put to work the provisions under the 1950 rivers and harbor bill, that the army engineers cannot start any revetment and channel bank work unless local groups provide right of ways and assure maintenance of the projects.

Cash outlay on the local and state level was not expected to be large, as the federal government will step in and assist where any major need is noted, Jones added.

While five of the major seven dams in the basin project have been constructed, Jones said that "Senators tell us that it's going to be pretty tough to get these last two underway without real, substantial local interest."

However, both Brigadier General C. H. Chorprening, assistant chief of the army engineers, and Col. T. H. Lipscomb, Portland district engineer, promise "every cooperation possible in the continuation of the project, which it was essential to finish" as soon as funds are available.

During more recent years, irrigation in the Willamette Valley has grown tremendously, Marshall Dana, agricultural chairman of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, said during the afternoon session. Currently irrigated acres in Western Oregon was listed at near 100,000 acres and the job of providing irrigation is now approximately one fourth completed.

Water and power shortages, two things speakers admitted they hadn't expected to be a problem in the Willamette Valley, were now facts, all admitted.

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Ike, MacArthur Discuss Ways to Achieve Peace

By JAMES DEVLIN

NEW YORK (AP) — President-elect Eisenhower and Gen. Douglas MacArthur discussed across a luncheon table Wednesday the problem of how to achieve peace in Korea and the rest of the world.

"We discussed the possibility of peace in Korea with particular reference to the world situation, in which, of course, such Korean peace would have to be determined," Eisenhower said afterward.

Eisenhower and MacArthur conferred for more than two hours as guests of John Foster Dulles, secretary of state designate, in Dulles' town house.

The President-elect described it as a "very enjoyable luncheon." MacArthur said it was a "very pleasant reunion with the President-elect."

The meeting stemmed from a Dec. 5 speech in which MacArthur said there "is a clear and definite solution" to the stalemate Korean fighting.

Neither Eisenhower nor MacArthur gave any details on the views they exchanged nor did they reveal whether they were agreed on a course to follow to achieve peace.

MacArthur, who had just emerged from the house together after the session, and the two military men gave an informal report on it to more than 100 newsmen and photographers congregated about the entrance.

Eisenhower spoke in a low voice that could be heard only by those nearest to him.

Later, back at Eisenhower's Hotel Commodore headquarters, he gave a recapitulation of his remarks, as he recalled them, to James H. Hagerty, his press secretary, who relayed them to the press. They were as follows:

"I have just met with two old friends for a very enjoyable luncheon."

"Our general topic of conversation was peace. We discussed the possibility of peace in Korea with particular reference to the world situation, in which, of course, such Korean peace would have to be determined."

"I hope my former commander will say the few words."

Eisenhower had served under MacArthur years ago in the Philippines, and later when MacArthur was chief of staff.

MacArthur told the cluster of newsmen at the Dulles home that the discussion centered around "the problem of peace in Korea and in the world in general."

He remarked that he had not seen Eisenhower for six years and that the meeting marked the resumption of a friendship of 35 years.

Shirley Temple Shuns Publicity For Daughter

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ex-movie moppet Shirley Temple, angry at what she called an attempt to capitalize on the presence of her four-year-old daughter in an undergarment Christmas play, took her out of a private school Wednesday.

"I have not and will not allow anyone to commercialize on my daughter's presence," said the young mother, now the wife of Navy Lt. Cmdr. Charles Black.

Shirley said she understood Thursday's show would be a benefit with admissions charged.

Susan, the daughter of Shirley's first husband, John Agar, is just a year older than her mother was when she began her sensational career as a movie star. Her stepfather is stationed in the Navy here.

IKE SELECTS MASHBURN

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lloyd A. Mashburn, California state labor commissioner and long a leader in the American Federation of Labor, announced Wednesday he has been offered the post of assistant secretary of labor in the Eisenhower administration and has accepted.