

Blind Man Asks President to Ease Economy Drive Slightly

NORFOLK, Va. (AP)—President Eisenhower will get a letter soon, asking him to relax his economy program just a tiny bit for the sake of a blind man.

James Alfred Neamond, of Norfolk County, who's been blind since 1945, posted the letter Saturday. He hopes it won't escape the President's attention in all the stacks of mail such a pre-eminent personality must receive.

Salem Woman Promoted to Pfc in WAC's

A Salem woman who served in the WAC's during World War II has been promoted to private first class at Camp Drew, Japan, where she is now serving as a fiscal specialist.

She is Virginia E. Collini, daughter of Mrs. Della M. Hall of 1493 N. Cottage St. Miss Collini originally entered the Army in February 1945 and served until May 1948. She reenlisted in 1952 after working as an accounting clerk for the Oregon Military Department in Salem.

Other service personnel from the Salem area were in the news around the world. Marine PFC Alan J. Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bruce, 1525 Bond Rd., is a recent graduate of airman preparatory school at the Naval Air Technical Training Center at Jacksonville, Fla.

Marine PFC Marvin Bibler, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bibler, 2165 Wayside Ter., is now serving with the "Black Sheep" squadron at the Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

DEATH WINS 15TH TRY

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)—Fourteen times in two years a fire department rescuer crew revived Mrs. Josephine Scardini after she suffered heart attacks. Death won the 15th and last battle Sunday.

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Mrs. Hobby Congratulated by Husband



WASHINGTON—William P. Hobby, publisher of the Houston Post, congratulates his wife, Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, after her swearing in at the White House as first secretary of health, education and welfare. The President is at the center. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Wiley Brands Russia Peace Moves 'Phony'

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Wiley (R-Wis.) said Sunday the prime objective of Moscow's peace gestures, which he called "phony," may be to buy time for a Communist move into the Near East to gain a bridge toward Africa.

Wiley, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, advanced this theory in an interview amid growing indications that top American officials are becoming extremely wary of recent Soviet overtures.

President Eisenhower has said these offers should be taken at face value until proved false but Wiley, a frequent conferee with Secretary of State Dulles, had no hesitation in labeling them "phony."

Mau Maus Add Three Victims

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP)—At least three natives were killed in five new attacks by anti-white Mau Mau terrorists reported by police Sunday.

In Nairobi, a gang of Mau Mau leaped out of a car at an African location Saturday and attacked two police reservists, killing one with a panga—short sword—and wounding the other.

Shots were fired at two Kikuyu tribesmen in a drinking house at another location and one was killed. The body was another Kikuyu was fished from the Nairobi River within the city's boundaries. He had been shot through the head.

Police Arrest Youthful Trio

Three youths were apprehended by city police late Sunday night after radio calls from Silverton said a trio threatened a Silverton teen-ager with a gun and then drove toward Salem.

Driver of the car, James Patrick Davlin, 18, Portland, was charged with violation of the basic rule and his 14-year-old companion of Monmouth was charged with juvenile delinquency. Benjamin Franklin Youngblood, 20, of Portland, in whose father's name the car was registered, was charged with carrying a concealed weapon, a .45 caliber revolver.

Taft Asks Anti-Red Oath Rule Repealed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sens. Taft (R-Ohio) and Hill (D-Ala.) said Sunday they favor knocking the anti-Communist oath requirement out of the Taft-Hartley Act and substituting some other curb on Red-dominated unions.

Taft, one of the authors of the act, said in an interview he doesn't believe the section requiring union officers to take oaths that they are not Communists is effective enough.

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Willamette U. Speakers Win

Four Willamette University students finished as finalists Saturday in the Tau Kappa Alpha forensic tournament held on the Montana State University campus at Missoula, Mont., two for their last times as college men.

Seniors Thomas Scheidel and James Wood, both of Salem, represented the senior team and H. Paul Johnson, Albany, and Fenton Hughes, Hillsboro, were on the sophomore team. All four were finalists both in debate and in their individual events.

Scheidel won second place honors in extemporaneous speaking; Johnson fourth and Hughes fifth. Wood won a fourth place in oratory.

The students competed against 200 speakers representing 24 colleges and universities from eight Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast states.

PLANE CRASH KILLS 5

SILER CITY, N. C. (AP)—A Marine Corps plane crashed and burned in a field near here Sunday night, killing five of the seven men aboard, military authorities reported. The torpedo bomber was en route from the Glenview, Ill., Naval Air Station to the Cherry Point Marine Station.

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