

44 States to Participate in Polio Vaccinations Project

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NEW YORK (AP) — All but four of the nation's 48 states are lined up for participation in the mass polio vaccinations to begin within a week, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis said Wednesday.

Massachusetts and Minnesota have withheld authorization for the program, saying they prefer to wait and see how it works out in the initial states in other regions. Maryland and Arizona, and the District of Columbia have decided not to take part, because of delays in the start of the process and early closing of schools in their areas.

"There was no question as to the safety of the vaccine in those states at all," said a spokesman for the foundation, which is supervising the project.

He added that Minnesota and Massachusetts were holding back because they "have given evidence from actual inoculations that there are no possible side effects or any untoward results."

May Be Included
He said the two states had taken this position two months ago, and may decide to be included after the vaccinations get started, probably first in the south.

"No state has pulled out because of Winchell," he said. Columnist Walter Winchell said in his Sunday TV broadcast that the vaccine "may be a killer." His assertion was promptly challenged by several leading health authorities who gave their assurance of the safety of the vaccine. They said all vaccine is given nine

separate tests to insure its safety before its release for use. Start of the vaccinations—to be given to between a half million and a million children—has been April 12, depending on the speed with which vaccine can be supplied.

By the end of April, the work will be going full steam, with tens of thousands of volunteer doctors, state public health workers and civic volunteer doctors, state pub-

lic health workers and civic volunteers taking a hand in routing children through the inoculation lines.

First Large Test
All states and the District of Columbia were invited to take part in the tests, seen as the first wide scale experiment to determine the effectiveness of the new vaccine in protecting against polio.

Only specified counties or "trial areas" in each of the participating states will be included. These were chosen in joint consultation between state health officers and foundation medical experts, based on available health facilities, past high polio incidence, and aimed at a broad geographical representation.

Altogether, about 180 counties have been chosen. By the middle of June, the whole job is expected to be complete. It will end considerably earlier in some areas.

"Both the start of the vaccinations and completing them in the different areas will vary according to the logistics of producing and shipping the vaccine," the spokesman said.

Cars Finish Mobilgas Run
SUN VALLEY, Idaho (AP) — A Chrysler Imperial led 20 cars across the finish line of the Mobilgas economy run late Wednesday, and officials started checking gas tanks to determine which made the best performance on the 1,335-mile drive from Los Angeles.

Winners will be announced Thursday with the sweepstakes prize going to the car with the best ton-mileage record.

The remaining 19 stock passenger cars followed John Gersen, Los Angeles, across the finish a few minutes apart.

A Studebaker Land Cruiser driven by Robert Donkin, Maywood, Calif., was leading the sweepstakes division, and a Studebaker Champ, driven by Dick Johnson, Riverside, Calif., was ahead on gasoline mileage when the cars left Elko, Nev., Wednesday morning.

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Windstorm Leaves 500 Boats in Danger
LISBON, Portugal (AP) — Ninety small fishing boats with about 500 fishermen aboard were reported in danger Wednesday off the coast of Algarve, Southern Portugal, in a violent windstorm.

Rescue ships in nearby ports were unable to go out to help the boats.

France Pleads Again for Aid To Indochina
PARIS (AP) — France, underlining the importance it attaches to the battle for Dien Bien Phu, announced Wednesday it had made another in a series of urgent requests to the United States for more planes and material aid in Indochina.

Through a French Foreign Ministry spokesman, the government made clear it considers all other aspects of the Indochina struggle subordinate to the fate of the beleaguered French Union fortress.

This applies to the reported proposals for U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles for united action by the countries concerned to prevent a Communist victory in Southeast Asia.

The spokesman said Premier Joseph Laniel's cabinet postponed considering Dulles' proposals until its next meeting.

This matter, he said, still is being studied by the Foreign Ministry and is the subject of discussion among the countries concerned.

The spokesman carefully avoided any hint whether the French approve or disapprove Dulles' call for united nations to prevent Indochina falling to the Communists.

He said one thing to be settled is whether any such action as Dulles has in mind should be taken before the Geneva conference on Asian problems.

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REGISTER To Vote

April 20 is deadline if you expect to vote in May Primary election.

REGISTER WITH YOUR COUNTY CLERK or LOCAL REGISTRAR

47,171 From County Sign to Vote May 21

Approximately 47,171 Marion County residents have registered to vote in the May 21 primary election, but another 3,000 eligible voters have failed to qualify.

These figures came Wednesday from Marion County Clerk Henry Mattson, who added that registration for the coming primary this year would probably not equal the 50,448 voters who were registered for the general election of 1952.

Deadline for registering is April 20.

Party Registering
So far, Mattson said, 28,907 Republicans have registered and 17,708 Democrats. Also 267 Independents, 66 Prohibitionists, 18 Socialists, 15 Progressives and 190 miscellaneous. No Communists have registered.

Voters registered within the city of Salem are divided into 13,283 Republicans, 6,756 Democrats and 142 Independents. For the county outside Salem it's 15,624 Republicans and 10,952 Democrats and 125 Independents.

Must Register
Persons who failed to vote in either the 1952 general or primary elections must register, Mattson said. Also those who have reached voting age, those who have moved from their former precinct and women who have married since the 1952 general election should all register.

Newcomers to the state who will have lived in Oregon six months by May 21 may vote and must register.

The clerk's office has been receiving many calls from voters living in West Salem regarding registration. West Salem residents must register in Polk County and may do so at Persons Drug Store on Edgewater Street, Mattson said.

Joke on Police Backfires
RICHMOND, Calif. (AP) — Jack D. Hayes was annoyed at getting a tag while he said, he was getting change to put in a parking meter.

So he mailed in his \$3 bill enclosed in two copper tubes, one inside the other and each soldered shut. Municipal court attaches promptly mistook it for a bomb.

"It's not a bomb," Hayes said Wednesday. "It's my bill."

"We don't recognize it as such," said court clerk James Landon. "We are returning it to Mr. Hayes with his second notice—bill now \$10."

QUERVILLE IN COMMAND
HAIPHONG, Indochina (AP) — Rear Adm. Jean Marie Querville, 51, of Tours, France, Wednesday assumed command for French naval forces in Northern Indochina, succeeding Capt. Raymond Maggier of Paris.

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Flames Claim B29 Tanker, Five Missing

TOKYO (AP) — A converted B29 Superfortress tanker ignited while refueling a jet fighter Thursday and plummeted like a flaming arrow into a mountainside near Nagoya on central Honshu Island.

The Far East Air Forces said six crewmen bailed out of the flaming tanker but five others were missing.

The big, four-engine tanker started spouting gasoline into the air while refueling a jet interceptor. The fighter plane cut loose but fire started aboard the tanker. Then came an explosion and the big Superfort plunged to earth.

The rescued crewmen were taken to an Air Force hospital at Nagoya.

An air and ground search was pushed for the other five. Japanese firemen quelled a blaze ignited by the plane.

The accident occurred shortly before noon during a training refueling flight.

An Air Force spokesman said a leak was discovered and the jet disengaged immediately.

The Air Force said it was possible all five were trapped in the burning plane, but there also was a good chance some may have escaped. Helicopters and ground parties were making the search.

The plane was attached to the 421st Air Refueling Squadron, stationed at Yokota Air Base near Tokyo.

The jet was not damaged. It returned to its base.

Kurusu, Japanese Diplomat, Dies
TOKYO (AP) — Death Wednesday claimed Saburo Kurusu, the smiling little diplomat who was negotiating in Washington when the Japanese struck at Pearl Harbor. He was 68.

He died at his home of a cerebral hemorrhage, one of a series of strokes which had left him partly paralyzed since 1948.

Chairman



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Dr. Parker Fluoridation Drive Leader

Dr. Dale Parker, local dentist, was elected chairman Wednesday night of Salem's Fluoridation for Dental Health Group at their regular meeting in the McKay Chevrolet building.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Dr. David M. Witter, attached to the Oregon State Board of Health, dental department, who gave a progress report on fluoridation in Oregon. He said a total of nine communities are currently adding fluorides to their water supplies and Waldport and Newport recently approved this addition.

A seminar followed the meeting during which time Dr. Witter showed the group a series of slides pertinent to fluoridation. Dr. Parker replaced Wade Patterson who was serving as temporary chairman.

Japanese See Movie Version Of H-Blast

TOKYO (AP) — Japanese jammed theaters Wednesday to see the first showing of the U.S. hydrogen blast of 1952 as resentment still ran high over the one March 1.

The Japanese are touchy about the tests since a fallout of radioactive ash hit a fishing boat off Bikini March 1. But they appeared eager to see the films and formed long lines outside several theaters.

The note of bitterness was most apparent in the relations between Japanese and U.S. doctors over treatment of the 23 fishermen from the Lucky Dragon who were burned by the ashes.

The Foreign Office said Japanese doctors at a meeting of the Japan - American commission investigating the incident agreed to allow the Americans only 30 minutes to examine the men. The U.S. doctors rejected the offer, saying that was not enough time.

The Foreign Office statement said the doctors felt the Americans wanted to treat the victims as "guinea pigs" for research. This has been a favorite complaint in Japanese editorials and cartoons.

The element of distrust and resentment on the part of the Japanese physicians is one of the most serious cases of its kind in postwar relations with the United States. It has been fanned by a storm of sensational newspaper stories.

The fact that university scientists and physicians have been in charge of the 23 sick men also may have contributed. There is considerable anti-American feeling in Japan's universities.

Dr. Kazuo Miyoshi, chief physician of Tokyo's University Hospital where the fishermen are being treated, said he had "no optimism" over the recovery of some of the 23 and "the next week appears to be the crisis."

A U.S. doctor had said previously the men were suffering from various degrees of "radiation sickness" but should recover.

Prefers Jail To Television

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Police say they found Roscoe Tard chasing his wife Beatrice around their house Tuesday night after hacking off their television antenna.

Wednesday the 35-year-old laborer pleaded guilty to a disorderly conduct charge, telling the judge: "She played the TV all night, your honor. I couldn't sleep. She just wouldn't turn that thing off."

"I can see," the court sympathized, "that it might make you emotionally disturbed. Twenty-five dollars or five days."

Tard chose jail.

Fee Flies to Washington

PORTLAND (AP) — There was much speculation here Wednesday in connection with the appointment of a successor to U. S. District Judge James A. Fee.

Judge Fee, who was nominated Tuesday for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco, left Wednesday for Washington, D. C., where he will be among 13 judges to call on the President and to confer with Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell Thursday.

Any number of attorneys have been mentioned as possible appointees for the district judgeship.

FRENCH ARREST 300
PONDICHERRY, French India (AP) — Three hundred persons were arrested by French police Wednesday during demonstrations for a merger of French Indian settlements with India. A number of acts of hooliganism were reported.

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