TV Network Bosses Unbraided by Comic

NEW YORK (AP) — Jackie Gleason Saturday let fly at his television network bosses, saying they apparently were using "manufactured irritation" to try to force a shuffle in programs.

"It's not going to work," he said. "I don't think a network should push around its performers or sponsors."

The rotund comedian told a news conference that the Columbia Broadcasting System seemed to be behind "many inaccurate statements" circulated about intended changes in shows he produces.

"I think it's underhanded," he said.

Plans Pending

He said derogatory — and erroneous — reports had been put out that the sponsor of "Stage Show," a Saturday show he produces, was dissatisfied, and that plans for replacements or schedule switches were pending.

"It's apparently a subtle scheme of irritation probably aimed at trying to discourage me from keeping 'Stage Show' on the air," he said. "If it's originating at CBS, they're making a sad mistake."

CBS had no immediate comment on the hassle.

"Stage Show," featuring the Dorsey brothers and produced by Jackie Gleason Enterprises, comes on at 8 p.m. (EST) Saturday, just ahead of Gleason's own starring show, "The Honeymooners," from 8:30 to 9 p.m.

False Reports

The false reports, Gleason said, are that there are plans to shift the "Honeymooners" to the 8 p.m. spot, and either eliminate "Stage Show," or change it to a time not adjoining "The Honeymooners."

He said he has asked CBS officials to refute the reports, but they haven't done so, and that from "all indications," CBS has originated the statements.

He said that unless CBS came forward with proposals for keeping the two shows adjoining, or compensating the stage show cast for the whole season, there'd be no chanages.

"It's not going to happen," he said.

Tunisia Act Seen as Stand Against Strife

TUNIS, Tunisia (AP) — The new Tunisian government closed a trap Saturday on ultra-nationalists who want to renounce recent agreements with France and join hands with rebelling Algerians. The government thus appeared to have taken a firm stand against military strife with France.

The leader of Tunisia's diehards, Salah Ben Youssef, evaded police and is in hiding, but half a dozen of his lieutenants were rounded up, including the director of the Youssefist newspaper.

Ben Youssef was in exile before the French-Tunisian agreements were signed last summer and has denounced them continually since his return. He may be heading for Cairo where he has many contacts formed during his exile, which was also partly spent in Geneva and New York.

Police questioned about 1,000 persons in the raids. They began at dawn Saturday after a month of investigations, started when terrorism first began to reappear in Tunisia. Close to 100 arrests are known to have been made. Police, acting under orders of Tunisian officials and courts, also reported seizing quantities of explosives, uniforms, cash and arms at Ben Youssef's headquarters.

The agreements, reached after negotiations begun by then French Premier Pierre Mendes-France in 1954, give Tunisia gradually increasing control of its internal affairs and reserve only defense and foreign relations to the French.

The French, who are pretty well tied up patolling the Algerian frontier, were known to be concerned lest the situation get out of hand in Tunisia.

Car Damaged By SP Train

A car driven by Wayne Arthur Bradford, 1129 Edgewater St., was damaged extensively in a collision with a Southern Pacific train Saturday evening at Second street and Rosemont avenue, police said.

Willamette Ambulance answered a call to the scene about 6:50 p.m. but the three occupants of the car were found to be uninjured, drivers said.

New Episcopal Coadjutor Arrives

PORTLAND (AP) — The Very Rev. James W. F. Carman, bishop coadjutor-elect of the Oregon Episcopal Diocese, was here Saturday preparing to take over his new duties.

He and his wife arrived Friday from Phoenix, Ariz., where he was dean of a parish.

The Rev. Carman will be consecrated to his Oregon position at a ceremony Feb. 7.

Sen. Morse Welcomes Bid By Patterson

Story also on page 1.)

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Morse (D-Ore) welcomed Gov. Paul Patterson of Oregon into the race for the Republican senatorial nomination in that state Saturday.

Morse, who ran as a Republican in 1950 but has changed his allegiance to the Democratic Party, said that if he is nominated by the Democrats he will be "delighted" to campaign against Patterson "or any other Republican."

"I am confident that the substantial majority of voters in my state, from both major political parties, will reelect me because they want a senator who will exercise an honest independence of judgment on the merits of issues, free from partisan dictates," Morse said.

Howard Morgan, Democratic state chairman, said Patterson's candidacy showed lack of leadership in the statehouse.

"For more than a year Oregon has been without the leadership of a working governor," Morgan said. "Instead, we have had in the statehouse a timorous and hesitating Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate."

Heart Attack Takes Life of W. A. Gritton

William A. Gritton, former Rosedale Community farmer and retired Marion County Courthouse custodial employe, died Friday evening, apparently of a heart attack, at the age of 75.

He was found dead in the bathtub at his home, 1020 N. 20th St., by his wife, Mrs. Charlotte Gritton. He had spent an active day which included a trip downtown on his bicycle. First aidmen were called. Coroner's deputies said death apparently was caused by a heart attack.

Born in Missouri Sept. 27, 1880, Gritton had lived in the Salem area since 1895. After retiring from farming, he worked about 12 years at the courthouse before retiring from that position three years ago. He was a member of the First Christian Church.

Besides his widow, he leaves a son, Willard Gritton, Salem; daughter, Mrs. Agnes Ware, Eugene; sister, Mrs. Clara Blankenship, and brother, Eugene G. Gritton, both of Salem.

Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in Virgil T. Golden chapel. Other arrangements are pending.

Ike's Policies Draw Attack From Morse

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Morse (D-Ore) said Saturday night the Eisenhower administration is fostering a "dangerous" resurgence of anti-federalism that threatens the civil and economic rights of millions of Americans.

This, Morse said, must be checked if the general welfare goal of the Constitution is to be fulfilled.

"We must expose in the 1956 campaign the sorry record of this anti-federalist administration," he said. "The shocking record of the past three years of political expediency and downright political hypocrisy of the Eisenhower administration must be disclosed at every crossroads in America."

Morse attacked the administration in a speech prepared for a Roosevelt Day dinner sponsored by Americans for Democratic Action.

He said the administration had "attempted to appropriate just enough" of the program and philosophy of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt "to escape too much criticism."

"The Eisenhower Administration has given lip service to the goals of a fuller life for all, set by FDR, while at the same time serving the interests of a small but powerful economic class," Morse said. "The past three years have provided a shocking contrast between government in the public interest and government by and for big business."

8,600 CHICKENS BURNED

CANBY (AP) — Fire destroyed a three-story chicken house and killed an estimated 8,600 chickens on the M. R. Turner farm near here Saturday night.

Fishermen along the coast of Brazil use peeled-log rafts called jangadas.

Succumbs

Rev. Willard Alfred Elkins, 80, resident of the Keizer area and for 50 years a Willamette Valley minister, who died Friday at Veteran's Hospital in Portland.

Rites Tuesday For Minister

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at First Christian Church for the Rev. Willard Alfred Elkins, 80, longtime Willamette Valley minister, who died Friday at Portland Veterans's Hospital.

The Rev. Wayne Greene will officiate and interment will follow at Rest Haven Memorial Park in Eugene under direction of Howell-Edwards Mortuary.

The Rev. Elkins had been a resident of the Keizer area since his retirement in 1944.

Car Flips on Highway 22

Statesman News Service

RICKREALL — A Willamina man escaped serious injury Saturday evening in a car which flipped upside down into a ditch after an accident, police said.

Archie Murray, Willamina Route 2, received only bruises although the car in which he was driving alone was damaged extensively in the accident in rain about 7:10 p.m. on Highway 22 about two miles west of Rickreall, state police said.

The other car, driven by Virginia McCoy, Dallas Route 1, Box 438, received slight damage, police said.

Polk County Sheriff's Deputy Bob LaFors helped State Patrolman Leonard R. Crisler direct traffic as a tow truck from Dallas broke down at the scene and a second truck was required to haul away both it and the damaged auto.

Political Oratory Debased, Claims Sen. Neuberger

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — U.S. Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore) said Saturday night that America's political oratory has reached a stage "where advertising slogans and public-relations cliches have replaced the exalted language of such documents as The Declaration of Independence and the Gettysburg Address."

Neuberger, first Democrat to be elected to the Senate from Oregon since 1914, told the annual Roosevelt Day Banquet of Americans for Democratic Action here that politicians now have a "morbid fear of talking over people's heads."

He declared that the "debasement" of political oratory and speeches was due in substantial measure to the influence of money in elections.

School, Marriage Don't Mix, Board Warns at Talent

ASHLAND (AP) — The Talent School Board has warned that students who marry will be suspended from school.

"An increasing number of high school students has married with the intention of finishing school," the board noted at a meeting.

Roy B. Barr, superintendent, said, "Most of these young people are not ready to assume the responsibilities of marriage and also be in regular attendance at school, and there are other problems which directly or indirectly involve the school."

Two Meetings Today to Clear Primary Air

By JOSEPH D. KAMIN

CONCORD, N. H. (AP) — Will Sen. Knowland (R-Calif) enter New Hampshire's first-in-the-nation presidential primary? And will Adlai Stevenson risk an indirect battle with Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn) in a state generally regarded as Kefauver territory?

The answers to those two questions, currently clouding the March 13 primary, are expected to come Sunday as the result of simultaneous meetings 20 miles apart.

There's an abundance of circumstantial evidence to indicate that the answers to both questions could well be "Yes." But there are other signs pointing to possible negative decisions, at least in regard to the Knowland candidacy.

The Senate minority leader is expected to give his reply in person at Manchester, the state's late afternoon news conference and deliver an evening banquet address.

Stevenson Role

The role which Stevenson will play in New Hampshire will be determined at a meeting of the 1952 Democratic nominee's supporters in Concord.

As of now, the winners of this state's last presidential primary—President Eisenhower and Sen. Kefauver—are the only names entered in the preference poll section of this year's contest. Other potential candidates have only three more days to climb aboard before the Feb. 1 filing deadline.

The preference poll was added to New Hampshire's presidential primary for the first time four years ago, when Eisenhower defeated the late Sen. Taft (R-Ohio) and Kefauver upset President Harry S. Truman.

The poll, in which voters express a direct choice for their presidential candidate, is by law only "advisory" for national convention delegates, who are elected in another section of the ballot.

Some Indication Of Polygamy Said Found in Idaho

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — There are indications polygamy is being practiced in Idaho and nearby states, members of the Idaho Prosecuting Attorneys Assn. were told Saturday.

Frank E. Moss, prosecutor in Salt Lake County, Utah, urged his fellow officials to be on the alert for such cases. He said a number of polygamy cases had been prosecuted in Utah recently among members of the so-called Fundamentalist sect.

The Latter Day Saints Church, which once favored polygamy, outlawed the practice many years ago and now excommunicates those who refuse to conform.

Former Idaho Governor to Address Meet

PORTLAND (AP) — Len Jordan, former Idaho governor and now chairman of the International Joint Water Resources Commission, will be the main speaker at a Washington-Oregon Chamber of Commerce managers and officers conference. It starts here next Sunday.

Other scheduled speakers at the three-day meeting include:

H. Calvert Anderson, Spokane, executive secretary of the Columbia Basin Interstate Compact Commission; W. A. Galbraith, director of the Washington State Department of Conservation; Sverre Omdahl, Washington State Department of Agriculture director; Don Lane of the Oregon Water Resources Board, and Marion D. Thomas, Oregon State College agricultural econxmist.

Queen, Duke Reach Nigeria, Greeted by Fantastic Throng

By ALVIN J. STEINKOPF

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Queen Elizabeth II, wearing a glittering tiara and sky blue satin gown, presided at a colorful African colonial state dinner here Saturday night. It was the first in her tour of sweltering Nigeria.

The young monarch and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, arrived by plane Saturday from London for the first visit of reigning royalty to this century-old British colony.

They received an ovation from fantastic throngs, ranging from the half-naked to dignitaries in the height of Nigerian and European fashion. It was a mixture of cheers and tom tom language.

The dinner of chicken and barracuda followed a drive through the jammed streets of Lagos and a reception for the more than 100 journalists accompanying the royal tour.

An ancient air-conditioning device cooled the Queen as she sat with 50 guests at a t-shaped table in the governor general's white three-storied mansion. They were attended by 32 stewards.

The air-conditioning is done by punkahs—fans made of a dozen wide blades suspended high over the table; a man outside pulls a rope which wafts the blades to and fro, stirring up breezes that give relief from the heat, but do not riffle a lady's hairdo.

While the Queen dined with African notables, crowds of curious Nigerians passed in endless parade outside the mansion to admire the floodlighting.

The temperature was in the mid-80s when the Queen arrived. She was calm and unflustered as she stepped from the plane.

Flocked from Brush

Tribesmen who for days had flocked to Lagos from deep bush country let out a great shout of "Ekaba ("welcome" in the Yaruba language) and "Kabiyesi" ("long live the Queen.")

This capital city of 300,000 reverberated with the music of strange instruments, the most stirring of which were the jungle drums which pounded out "welcome" in their mysteriously exciting language.

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