

Smith Launches Campaign to Keep Governorship

New Gadget Checks Radiation



WASHINGTON, D. C.—A soldier checks a dosimeter, a pen-like device which records gamma radiation from an atomic or hydrogen bomb or from any other radioactive source. The device, field tested at Fort Monmouth in New Jersey, was developed by Bendix Aviation Corp. The dosimeter will measure up to 600 roentgens of gamma radiation. Over 100 roentgens will produce radiation sickness in the average person. (AP Wirephoto).

4-Lane Salem-Eugene Road Tied to Federal Allotment

EUGENE — Construction of a four-lane super-highway between Eugene and Salem will get under way within three years if pending Congressional road legislation is approved this year, a top state highway official predicted Tuesday.

W. C. Williams, deputy state highway engineer, told the Eugene Register-Guard that the current

IT SEEMS TO ME
By Chester A. Sprague

HILLO, Hawaii—This was the day we have been waiting for: Sunshine and warmth. The residents welcomed it, too, for they have been complaining of the long wet spell.

We were fortunate, too, in meeting old friends: Mr. and Mrs. Bert Coulson. Bert was machinist on The Statesman for a number of years, and now is superintendent of the mechanical department of the Hilo Tribune-Herald. They showed us various points of interest in this vicinity, including the 1955 lava flow when lava ran like a river down to the sea. Parts of the flow are still breathing sulphurous vapors.

On the drive we stopped at beach parks, gathered orchids growing wild, cracked open a coconut that had fallen to the ground. Today (Sunday) proved to us we had reached the tropics.

Hawaii is the largest island of the archipelago, and the farthest south. Here King Kamehameha the Great was born, and here Capt. Cook was killed by the natives (1779).

The island like others of the group is the child of volcanism, and the fires of Pele are by no means cooled. The mountain masses of Mauna Loa and Mauna Kea rise over 13,000 feet above sea level, and the island base is 18,000 feet down in the Pacific.

But Mother Pele strokes.

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British 'Invade' New York Town, Hoist Union Jack

WATERTOWN, N. Y.—British Union Jack flags flew briefly over four north-country communities Wednesday and proclamations on flagpoles said the territory had been "repossessed" by the British.

Police hauled them down soon after dawn. The unconfirmed word was that a group of Canadian students had "invaded" the area during the early morning hours of George Washington's birthday.

The flags flew over schools in Watertown, Clayton, Alexandria Bay and Lagrangeville, all in Jefferson County and part of the original 13 colonies of the United States.

Spelling Bee Site Changed To S. Salem High School

The first semi-finals of The Statesman-KSLM Mid-Valley Spelling Contest will be held in the Little Theatre at South Salem High School at 7:45 p.m. Monday.

The contest, first of nine, originally was scheduled for the State School for the Blind, which recently had two fatalities from diphtheria among its personnel.

It has been stressed that neither the state school nor its staff or students are considered contagious in any way, but a change in locale seemed advisable because of a possible reluctance of others to participate in activities there at this time.

Sup. Walter Dry, head of the blind school, also said Wednesday that his school's spelling champion, 14-year-old Jerry Frizelle, even though cleared completely

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Uranium Offered to Industry

President Frees \$1 Billion Worth For U.S., World

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH
THOMASVILLE, Ga. — President Eisenhower announced Wednesday the United States will make available one billion dollars worth of uranium 235 at home and abroad for promotion of peaceful uses of atomic energy.

The President called the new program an illustration of "our faith that the atom can be made a powerful instrument for promotion of world peace."

The program calls for distribution of 88,000 pounds of the precious uranium — half in this country, half abroad. But Eisenhower barred furnishing any of the supply to Russia or its satellites. He also said it is not intended that any will go to other nations which presently are producing uranium.

After Bulgarian Talk

Eisenhower's announcement came just a bit more than 24 hours after Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin called on his Red party colleagues to use atomic energy to achieve victory for communism.

The move also follows criticism at home that the United States has not been vigorous enough in pushing far-flung use of the atom for power and other peaceful purposes.

Senator Approves

Sen. Jackson (D-Wash.) a member of the Senate Atomic Energy Committee, said the move will "do much to dispel the vicious propaganda that has associated us exclusively with the military atom."

Eisenhower said "distribution of the special nuclear material will be subject to prudent safeguards against diversion of the materials to non-peaceful purposes."

Extinguishers Prove Worth At Silverton

Silverton—Five new fire extinguishers at the New Fire Farmers Co-op got a sensational test Wednesday when flames briefly threatened the half-million dollar elevator and grain plant.

Co-op Mgr. C. M. Brownell credited swift action by employees at the plant and prompt arrival of Silverton firemen with preventing a disastrous blaze.

Using hand extinguishers which Brownell said the co-op had just purchased, eight employees kept the blaze confined to a small office until firemen arrived.

Ass't. Mgr. James Jensen was given first aid at the scene after fluid from one of the extinguishers struck him in the face.

Damage was tentatively estimated at \$500 by Brownell who said cause was unknown. He speculated that it started in wiring in the office.

General Washington Gets Traffic Ticket

CHICAGO — Policeman Joseph Batt spotted a slow moving truck Wednesday, stopped it and asked the driver his name.

"General Washington," the driver, a Negro, replied. "All right, wise guy," Batt countered. "Let's see your license."

The trucker produced it and convinced the officer. Washington was ticketed for failure to keep a slow moving vehicle to the right.

Norblad Names Campaign Chiefs

WASHINGTON — Rep. Norblad Wednesday named Lowell Stockman of Pendleton and Glen McCarty of Portland to handle his campaign for Republican nomination as governor of Oregon.

McCarty is an attorney. Stockman is a rancher and former congressman.

The Weather

FORECAST (from U. S. Weather Bureau, McNary Field, Salem): Partly cloudy with scattered showers today, tonight and Friday; slightly cooler with the highest today near 62 and the lowest tonight near 36.

Temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 36.

Salem	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	44	34	39
Portland	43	34	64
Beaune	46	38	28
Medford	39	35	64
North Bend	43	37	82
Roseburg	42	36	41
San Francisco	62	54	112
Los Angeles	91	67	04
Chicago	28	10	66
New York	28	15	69
Willamette River	11.1	feet.	

SALEM PRECIPITATION Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1

Backs Probe Senate to Check on Lobbyists



WASHINGTON — Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) poses at the Capitol Wednesday after the senate voted to create a special bipartisan committee to investigate any improper or illegal attempts to influence senators.

Gore who has advocated the inquiry may be chosen to head the investigation. (AP Wirephoto).

Britain Favors Truce Zone in Middle East

LONDON — Britain Wednesday disclosed plans for separating the quick-shooting armies of Israel and her Arab neighbors as the starting point of a possible Palestine peace.

Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd told Parliament about the plan — a withdrawal of one kilometer (five-eighths of a mile) by the rival Israel and Arab armies along the 1949 armistice lines with an international patrol moving into the no-man's-land.

Lloyd said he made the proposals secretly a month ago to United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld.

The British statesman announced he will visit Israel in mid-March after a round of face-to-face meetings with leaders of Middle Eastern countries. His aim clearly is to urge upon the rival nations the need to begin negotiating a final peace settlement.

No British foreign secretary has visited Israel since the state was founded in 1948.

Lloyd's visit was announced as signs of fresh tension appeared. King Hussein of Jordan was quoted in a dispatch Wednesday as saying intelligence reports indicated Israel was preparing to attack Jordan in the near future.

Israeli Premier David Ben-Gurion Tuesday issued a call for 160,000 volunteers to give six days work in building air raid shelters and fortifications.

Coos Bay to Add Fluoride

COOS BAY — The Coos Bay-North Bend Water Board will add fluorides to the water supplies of the two cities.

The board voted unanimous approval of the plan Tuesday night and authorized expenditures up to \$3,000 for equipment.

The question of adding fluorides to water to prevent tooth decay in children has not been an inflammatory issue here this year as it has been in the past when the plan was proposed.

Several months ago the board polled its 3,850 water users on the question and received 2,245 ballots cast, favoring the plan by a margin of 4 to 1.

Heavy Snowfall Causes Record Power Failures

GRANTS PASS — Heavy mountain snows were responsible for a record number of power failures in this area.

Broken poles and lines cut by falling trees have forced around-the-clock operations by California Oregon Power Co. repair crews, aided by emergency crews called in from Roseburg.

Hardest hit was the area from Merlin north to Wolf Creek and from Fort Vannoy, west of here, to Galice.

A foot of heavy, wet snow fell Tuesday from Merlin northward, and then more came down on Wednesday.

Only 5 Students Attend Class in Strife-Torn Town

HILLSBORO — Only 5 of the 14 students at Scofield grade school were present Wednesday when the school was re-opened in the strife-torn community.

Mrs. Essa Robertson, 55, the regular teacher, was absent, recovering from injuries she said she received in a beating by Louis R. Forrest, 24, a member of the school board, Feb. 14. The school was closed the following day.

Forrest is to be tried March 8 on a charge of assault and battery. Mrs. Cora Heaton, the substitute teacher, said she expected full attendance Wednesday.

Senate to Check on Lobbyists

Inquiry Includes Campaign Coffer Contributions

WASHINGTON — The Senate voted 79-1 Wednesday to investigate any illegal or improper efforts to influence any senator, or any one in the government.

The debate made it clear that the main things to be investigated are lobbying and campaign contributions, though the resolution does not restrict the investigators to such matters.

Four Democrats and four Republicans will undertake the inquiry for the Senate. They are to report by Jan. 1, but are authorized to make interim reports either before or after the November elections.

Only Sen. Langer (R-ND) voted "no." He said his conscience would not let him vote for the resolution.

Report by Case
All this sprang from a report Sen. Case (R-SD) made to the Senate Feb. 3, the weekend before it voted 53-38 for a bill to exempt natural gas producers from direct federal price regulation.

Case reported he had been offered 25 hundred dollar bills as a campaign contribution by a man who later was shown to have been an attorney-lobbyist for oil-gas interests.

'Incidents' Grows
Since then, the "incident" has resulted in one senatorial and one grand jury investigation, that are still proceeding, and President Eisenhower's veto of the gas bill on the grounds that some of its promoters had acted arrogantly and with impropriety.

Before the final vote Wednesday on the new and sweeping investigation, the Senate accepted an amendment by Sen. Fulbright to make the inquiry cover anyone in government. Fulbright was one of the authors of the vetoed gas bill.

Fulbright said he thought that if an investigation was going to be made, it ought not to be confined to the Senate.

State May Ask U.S. Aid for Flooded Area

Gov. Elmo Smith said Wednesday he might ask for federal disaster aid for damage caused this week by floods in Jackson and Josephine counties.

"We expect," he said, "to have estimates from official sources of damages to roads, highways, bridges and other public works by Thursday afternoon or Friday. We can determine from these estimates whether it will be necessary to ask again for federal flood aid. All state assistance possible will be extended to relieve the suffering and losses of the flood victims."

The federal aid is given for damage to public property. The government gave \$650,000 to public agencies because of the December and January flood.

Faulty Incubator Overheats, Burns Infant to Death

ATLANTA — A 14-day-old boy died in an overheated incubator Wednesday.

Patrolmen W. I. Walker and B. L. Bentley said Wesley F. Ferguson suffered first and second degree burns over his entire body.

They quoted a physician as saying the heat control mechanism failed causing the temperature to rise.

Adams Denies Telling GOP Chiefs Ike to Run

THOMASVILLE, Ga. — The White House denied Wednesday that President Eisenhower's chief aide, Sherman Adams, has told Republican leaders that the President will announce next week he has decided to seek reelection.

"I asked Sherman about that and he said he never made any such statement," James C. Hagerly, Eisenhower's press secretary, told newsmen.

The Detroit News, in a dispatch from its Washington Bureau, said Wednesday Adams and Leonard W. Hall, chairman of the GOP national committee, had told Repu-

Bus Boycott Jails Alabama Negroes

20 Pastors in Wholesale Roundup

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Negro religious and political leaders, including 20 ministers, were arrested on boycotting charges Wednesday in a wholesale roundup of defendants indicted by a grand jury for their mass protest against bus segregation.

But boycott leaders scheduled a mass meeting for Thursday night at the First Baptist Church and predicted 10,000 Negroes would attend to pray "that justice will prevail."

The grand jury returned indictments late Tuesday against 115 defendants accused of taking an active part in the 11-week-old racial boycott against Montgomery City Lines buses.

By nightfall, 67 Negroes had been booked at the county jail. Dates for their trials will be taken up Friday at their arraignment.

Refuse to Ride
Thousands of Negroes have refused to ride the buses since Dec. 5, the day a member of their race, Mrs. Rosa Parks, was fined \$14 for refusing to move to the colored section of a bus. City and state laws require segregation.

Mrs. Parks was sentenced to 14 days in jail in lieu of the fine Wednesday after Circuit Judge Eugene Carter, the jurist who ordered the grand jury investigation, turned down her appeal from the previous conviction in city court.

Law Questioned
Judge Carter upheld city and state segregation laws when the issue was raised in Mrs. Parks' defense. He imposed the jail sentence after she refused to pay the fine and announced she planned to appeal the conviction. All of the defendants brought to the county jail and fingerprinted were released as soon as they put up bonds of \$300 each. They were charged with violating a state law against organized, illegal boycotting. Maximum sentence for violation is six months in jail and \$1,000 fine.

Showers, Cool Temperature On Forecast

Scattered showers and cool temperatures were expected to continue today and Friday, McNary Field weathermen said. They predicted a low temperature tonight near 26.

Rain continued light Wednesday, with less than .3 inch recorded. Southern Oregon reported heavy snow, however, in mountainous areas where rain-soaked slides upset railroad, motor and television schedules Tuesday.

Trains were back on schedule Wednesday night, Southern Pacific representatives in Salem said. Buses also were reported back on schedule Wednesday.

Television cable service which brings network programs to area stations was restored Wednesday.

Snow-furries throughout Wednesday were reported at Detroit, reaching Stuyton by late afternoon. Heavy snow was reported in Sanjam Pass and chains were necessary, State Highway Department officials said, but North Santiam Highway was reported in good condition west of Detroit.

A trace of snow fell Wednesday at Valseit, where 17 inches was reported on the ground. Five feet of roadside snow was reported between Valseit and Falls City.

Highway 101, which had been closed near Seaside by a rock slide at Neahkahnie Mountain, was reported open to one-way traffic Wednesday night.

2 Indian Girls Walk 40 Miles Through Snow

EUREKA, Calif. — Two Klamath Indian girls who walked 40 miles through snow, some of it up to their knees, are in a Eureka hospital Wednesday suffering from frostbite.

Neither would talk except to say they went to Etina to watch television. Then they started walking to their homes at forks of Salmon, 48 miles away. They got an automobile ride the last eight miles.

The girls, Shirley Bennett, 18, and Doris Peters, 16, are students at Yreka High School.

100 PRISONERS DIE

CAIRO, Egypt — The semi-official Middle East News Agency said in a dispatch from Khartoum Thursday that an estimated 100 prisoners died from intense heat in a badly ventilated jail at Kosti, in the Sudan.

Plans to Vie With Norblad

Asserts 'Duty to Complete Work of Patterson'

By THOMAS G. WRIGHT JR., Staff Writer, The Statesman
Gov. Elmo Smith, 46-year-old Eastern Oregon publisher who moved up to the governorship on the death of Gov. Paul L. Patterson Jan. 31, announced Wednesday he would like to keep the job.

"My duty and responsibilities are clear," Gov. Smith stated in announcing that he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor in the May primary.

The governor, who succeeded to Oregon's top political office from his Senate presidency said in his announcement, "The people of Oregon have given decisive support to the leadership and program of Governor Patterson. I believe they want this program continued and completed."

2 Other Candidates
Decision by Smith, predicted ever since Gov. Patterson's unexpected death boosted him into political prominence in Oregon, added a second major candidate to the Republican race. Congressman Walter Norblad is already actively seeking the party nomination. A third GOP candidate is Earl L. Dickson, Albany grocer, who announced and filed shortly after Patterson's death.

"Oregon has great need for far-sighted and aggressive leadership," Gov. Smith stated in his announcement. "For more than 10 years I have been intimately associated with the problems of the state and state administration as a senator and as president of the Senate. The governorship is a challenging opportunity for me to continue and expand my service to the people of Oregon."

Plans Tour of State
"During the course of the year I will visit every section of the state. I want to talk with people in all walks of life about how state government may best contribute to the well-being and prosperity of its citizens."

"The untimely death of my close friend Paul Patterson has placed in my hands the greatest opportunity I have ever had for service to my state. I ask for the help of all the people of Oregon in faithfully discharging the trust he left to us."

Gov. Smith, a John Day publisher, served in the state Senate in the 1949, 1951, 1953 and 1955 sessions, representing Grant, Harney and Malheur counties. (Additional political news in sec. 1, page 3.)

Polk County Selects Top Young Farmer

DALLAS, Ore.—An Independence area farmer who started farming under the G.I. apprentice plan 10 years ago is Polk County's "Outstanding Young Farmer" in the opinion of the sponsoring Dallas Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He is William C. Frazer, who was employed by a Polk County farmer in 1946 following service in the Navy. Within two years, he had rented 200 acres and was on his own.

Today, Frazer farms over 600 acres.

Chosen in competition with nine other young farmers, Frazer was nominated Wednesday by the Dallas Jaycees for the Oregon young farmer award.

(Additional details in section 2, page 6.)

2 High State Appointments Still Pending

Two important appointments, both inherited by Gov. Elmo Smith when he became governor following the death of the late Paul L. Patterson, still are pending.

One involves a director for the state motor vehicle department which, under a 1955 legislative act, will be transferred from the secretary of state to jurisdiction of the governor on July 1.

Reports continue here that Secretary of State Earl T. Newbery is among several persons being considered.

The state motor vehicle department has been administered by many years. Newbery's term expires Dec. 31.

The other pending appointment is a member of the state liquor control commission. The term of Lester Ireland expired Jan. 1. Ireland was chairman of the commission at the time of the investigation of commission employees ordered by the late Gov. Patterson nearly two years ago.

Gov. Smith has not indicated whether Ireland will be replaced or retained.

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The girls, Shirley Bennett, 18, and Doris Peters, 16, are students at Yreka High School.

Corvallis Crash Claims Life of Second Victim

CORVALLIS — Ernest Grierler, 19, died Tuesday from injuries suffered in a crash that claimed the life of his teen-age bride.

The wife of the former Millie R. Steegrow of Alsea, 16, was killed outright when she was thrown from the car in the collision at 9th and Van Buren streets.

The Grierlers had been married only a few weeks.

A passenger, Larry Engam, 15, Corvallis, was not seriously hurt. The driver of the other car was not injured.

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"So then this guy says—'Over my dead body!'"