

Electronic 'Slave' Gives Beauty Treatment



SCHENECTADY, N. Y.—Model Ruth Feldheim gets a beauty treatment, lipstick, hair-do, and all from the "Yes-Man," the two-armed electro-hydraulic "slave" developed by General Electric engineers here. The dexterous mechanical device, designed primarily for chores in dangerous radioactive areas, duplicates motions performed by an operator with a twin "Yes-Man" from a remote point. (AP Wirephoto).

Fired Civil Service Employee Reinstated

A state employe who said he was fired because he was too curious was reinstated to state service by the Civil Service Commission at a hearing Wednesday.

Commission members also intimated that more "time and patience on all sides," could have been displayed in the case of Clyde Hill, dismissed from State Industrial Accident Commission employment last April 26.

The SIAC said Hill was given a 10-day suspension to be followed by dismissal because of "insubordination and misconduct."

The civil service commission agreed to the 10-day suspension but recommended that Hill, because of his good work record, be reinstated to his job as safety inspector with the accident commission.

Hill, who works out of the Eugene area, denied that he was insubordinate or "caused dissension among fellow workers." He said he was only trying to get from his supervisors information on the intricate procedure of civil service merit ratings.

It all began last February when a vacancy for a new supervisory position with the SIAC came up. Employees took civil service examinations and grades were posted. Later the list was changed. It was explained in the commission hearing Wednesday the change was made because of a calculating error.

Told Dissatisfaction Hill expressed his dissatisfaction with the listing. He wrote the SIAC a letter in which he intimated "it was who knows who" which determined the ratings. His superiors also said he hinted at "connivance" between the civil service and industrial accident commissions.

Following his dismissal, Hill appeared. He alleged at a proper explanation of the merit system by his superiors. His immediate superiors rated him as "excellent" and "top man" in verbal testimony Wednesday.

Inasmuch as the civil service commission can only recommend reinstatement, the SIAC does not have to reinstate Hill, said Charles Terry, civil service director.

It is not clear just where the House committee applied its hatchet. The budget submitted had this breakdown:

Military assistance \$3,000,000,000
Defense support (economic aid to countries receiving military assistance) 1,130,700,000
Development assistance (economic aid to other countries) 170,000,000
Technical cooperation 157,500,000
Other programs 401,775,000
Appropriations made last year amounted to \$3,285,800,000, so the amount recommended in the House bill is still above that figure. (Continued on editorial page 4.)

Britain Aims at A-Power in Fall

LONDON (AP)—Britain Wednesday put into operation an atomic pile it hopes will push electricity into the nation's power lines by this fall.

This country expects to be the first in the world to supply electricity on a large scale from atomic sources.

WILBERT

"Wilbert's out in the garden aggravating the flowers!"

Robot Devised For Work in Radioactivity

SCHENECTADY, N. Y. (AP)—General Electric Co. engineers have developed a machine with mechanical arms and hands to work in radioactive areas where it would be too dangerous for a man to work.

The "electro-hydraulic manipulator" has two pairs of limbs that can be operated from a distant point, GE said Wednesday.

General Electric said the machine works this way:

The operator, at one point, straps his own arms and fingers into the mechanical arms and fingers. He then goes through the desired arm and finger motions for the task at hand, such as using a wrench, a screwdriver or pouring water. A similar machine, at another point, duplicates the movements. The machines are connected by wires. The operator can watch his work via a television hookup.

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Mendes Quits Cabinet Post

PARIS (AP)—Pierre Mendes-France Wednesday night quit Premier Guy Mollet's cabinet. His resignation climaxed a long-simmering disagreement over French policy in rebellious Algeria.

As minister of state, Mendes-France served as a kind of deputy premier. Mollet was in Moscow on a state visit.

In his letter of resignation, Mendes-France said force of arms alone cannot master the rebels.

"Any policy which ignores the sentiments and the miseries of the native population leads step by step from the loss of the Algerian people, to the loss of Algeria itself and later, inevitably, to the loss of all our holdings in Africa."

The Weather

Max. Min. Precip. Salem 68 49 .00
Portland 68 54 .00
Baker 84 47 .35
Medford 73 55 .00
North Bend 71 53 .00
Roseburg 66 47 .00
San Francisco 66 48 trace
Los Angeles 63 54 .00
Chicago 58 41 .00
New York 71 57 .19
Wilmington River 27 8 8

FORECAST (from U. S. Weather Bureau, McNary Field, Salem)
Mostly cloudy today, tonight and Friday, but some afternoon showers. High temperature both days near 72, low tonight 56.
Temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 55.

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Salem Boater Lost in Rogue Rapids

Idaho River at Record High; Dikes Burst

BONNERS FERRY, Idaho (AP)—More dikes protecting farm lands broke late Wednesday night, flooding more rich land but temporarily relieving pressure to this town after the snow-swollen Kootenai River had crested at an all-time high of more than 36.6 feet.

Water was lapping just inches from the top of the 37-foot dikes around the town when Farm Districts No. 2 and No. 16 and the Kerr tract were breached. Some 2,278 more acres of rich wheat land was flooded, but the river

PORTLAND (AP)—The next few days probably will determine whether the lower Columbia River area will be hit by a flood this year.

The critical action will take place hundreds of miles upstream, where the weather in the Snake River Basin of Idaho will determine the downriver fate.

Elmer Fisher, Weather Bureau river forecaster here, said that if the Snake River reaches its crest in the next few days—perhaps by Sunday—the lower Columbia area will escape disastrous flood levels.

But if the Snake River crest is delayed, then trouble could follow, he warned. He estimated there was a 50-50 chance for the lower area to escape.

began dropping, the Army Engineers reported.

Communications to the town were interrupted temporarily and there was no immediate information on the rate of decline, but after the water went "over the top" of the No. 2 dike, the river gauge here dropped to 35.85 at 10 p. m.

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Warden to Allow Convict to Break Prison's Walls

RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—A life termer at the state penitentiary here will get to fulfill the desire of many prison inmates—he'll be allowed to knock a hole through the penitentiary walls.

Identified only as "Georgia Boy," the lifer heard that the west wall of the penitentiary would be extended 250 feet this summer. He asked superintendent Frank Smyth if that meant the old wall would be torn down. Told that it did, he replied:

"Well, would you mind if I tore open the first hole? I've been wanting to knock a hole in that wall for a long time."

Georgia Boy, with several guards standing by, will be able to satisfy that longing.

Giant Timber Firms' Union Claimed Near

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A substantial majority of the stock of the Hammond Lumber Co. of San Francisco has been optioned to the Georgia Pacific Corp. at \$310 a share, E. B. Birmingham, Hammond president, announced Wednesday.

There are 256,400 shares of Hammond stock outstanding so purchase of the entire holdings by Georgia-Pacific would involve about 79 1/2 million dollars.

The announcement said O. R. Cheatham, president of Georgia-Pacific, had confirmed the granting of the option. Georgia-Pacific's executive headquarters are in New York and its operations headquarters in Portland, Ore.

Paving Advances Two-Thirds Mile Per Day

Paving crews on the Salem-Portland freeway are shown laying down a layer of blacktop on a section north of Salem. At far left is southbound lane being gravelled prior to paving. Crews, now on schedule, can cover two-thirds of a mile on a "good" day. Road is closed for about two more months while it is being completed to four lanes. (Statesman photo).

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Judge Defends Lane County Jury Roster

Lane County Circuit Judge Frank B. Reid contested Wednesday a suit which challenges the legality of his county's grand jury.

Judge Reid filed a demurrer in the Supreme Court. He claimed that the suit, filed by Lane County Dist. Atty. Eugene C. Venn, doesn't contain facts sufficient to constitute a law suit.

The Supreme Court ordered oral arguments in the case be given at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Judge Reid, who brought his demurrer to Salem, listed nine Eugene lawyers as his attorneys.

The grand jury was empaneled to investigate an alleged embezzlement of funds of Moses Moody, convict at the state prison. Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton was ordered to take over the investigation.

Judge Reid empaneled the jury which Venn says was drawn from an illegally compiled list.

At the same time Venn filed the suit against Judge Reid, he filed a similar action against County Clerk Harry Chase. Chase filed an answer Wednesday that he had drawn a new jury list.

BRITISH SOLDIER KILLED

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP)—A British soldier was killed and two were wounded Wednesday in new outbursts of violence on Cyprus.

Squirrel-Headed General Remark Denied by Truman

NAPLES (AP)—Harry S. Truman said Wednesday he didn't want to embarrass anybody—but that in fact he never held "squirrel-headed" generalship responsible for the way Allied landings were carried out below Rome in 1943-44.

He had been quoted as saying the Salerno and Anzio landings were unnecessary "and planned by some squirrel-headed general" and also that there were a lot of easier places that could have been chosen for beachheads.

"I had been listening to the conversation of several people who had been there. I am very sorry about it. But it's an embarrassing situation and I hope you'll clear it up."

Truman's secretary, Eugene Baily, earlier had reported the ex-President made "a complete denial" of the quotations attributed to him Tuesday night. When reporters asked Truman himself about that, he said:

BASEBALL

NORTHWEST LEAGUE
At Lewiston-Salem, rain
At Eugene-Yakima 8
At Spokane-Wenatchee, rain
PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
At Portland 6, Hollywood 5
At Los Angeles 10, San Diego 9
At Sacramento 10, San Francisco 9
At Vancouver 10, Seattle 6
AMERICAN LEAGUE
At Chicago 2, Baltimore 2
At Kansas City 2, Washington 8
(17 innings)
At Detroit 5, New York 13
At Cleveland 6, Boston 3
NATIONAL LEAGUE
At Brooklyn-Milwaukee, rain
At New York-Cincinnati, rain
At Pittsburgh 8, St. Louis 9
At Philadelphia 4, Chicago 5

River Dumps Craft West of Grants Pass

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP)—An outboard motorboat capsized in swift rapids of the Rogue River, about 50 miles west of here Wednesday, and a Salem man was missing and feared drowned.

State Police here reported the boat capsized on Washboard Bar about 13 miles upstream from the river community of Marial. Glen Woolridge, a Grants Pass river guide, said he understood three men were in the boating party.

State Police identified them as Richard F. Chambers, Acorn Lane; Dr. Charles Mills, 617 Chermeketa, and Phil Johnson, 2800 Mountain View Dr., all of Salem. Johnson, about 45, was listed as the missing man.

Woolridge said Mills told him only one man was in the boat when it overturned. He swam to shore but then tried to swim back through the swift current to reach the boat when it grounded on a bar. He was swept away.

Woolridge, who has a boat at Marial, said he would take a search party there by automobile early Thursday and take the boat to search the remote area.

Three Salem boatmen involved in Wednesday's Rogue River accident were attempting an unusual feat, it was learned Wednesday evening.

Going Upstream The men planned to negotiate the rapid river from Gold Beach to Grants Pass. Usually boats traveling the river make the trip with the current. They were within about 50 miles of the goal, Grants Pass, when the accident occurred, according to Associated Press reports.

Phil Johnson, reported missing and feared drowned, operated the A & W Fireside Drive-In, 110 N. 12th Street. He has been a resident of Salem for about a year and a half, coming here from Fairbanks, Alaska. He and his wife, Betty, have five children.

Friends of the Salem men said the trip planned to leave Gold Beach about 4 a.m. Wednesday. Their Alaskan river boat, which Johnson brought to Oregon from Fairbanks, was equipped with a spare motor and carried about 65 gallons of gasoline. Donald Richardson, a friend of Johnson's said, Johnson was reported to be an experienced boatman.

Johnson's father, Frank Johnson, is a resident of Portland. Mrs. Richard Chambers and Mrs. Johnson left Salem about 6:30 p.m. Wednesday for Grants Pass after a telephone report of the accident.

BPA Fears Power Lack Next Winter

BOISE (AP)—The Pacific Northwest may face a serious power shortage next winter, an official of the Bonneville Power Administration said Wednesday.

If water supplies are low, a condition which is possible but not expected, "heavy industry will be pretty much at loose ends" for power, he said.

W. H. Marple of Portland, program co-ordinator for BPA, addressed a meeting of the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency Committee.

Marple said the power supply for next winter "looks a little tighter than we had anticipated" because of an increase in use and a recent strike of Westinghouse workers which cut into the power producing capacity of Chief Joseph Dam.

Corvallis Voters Approve Bonds For Fire Station

CORVALLIS (AP)—A \$100,000 bond issue to help finance a new fire station was approved by Corvallis voters Tuesday, 1,335 to 247.

This cleared the way for the city to sell its present fire station. Roberts Bros. has offered to buy the site. The firm, planning a department store here, already has bought the adjoining old city hall building. It plans an \$800,000 store.

The new fire station is to go up outside the main business district.

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Weather Helps Keep Freeway On Schedule

Good paving weather has kept repair crews working "right on schedule" on the closed section of the Salem-Portland freeway north of Salem.

Barring unforeseen bottlenecks the announced completion time, set for early August, probably will be met, state highway officials said Wednesday. The road will remain closed until then.

Two separate crews are paving, patching, grading and rock on one lane of a six mile section about 10 miles north of Haywardsville started Monday. A new southbound lane also is being built there by the Porter-Yett Construction Co.

Paving on the next nine mile section to the Wilsonville bridge has been going on since May 1 by Warren-Northwest Co. The paving work there is less than half completed and will require from five to six weeks to complete.

Other work, such as grading, sealing and some shoulder work also remains to be done.

While the freeway is closed traffic is being routed over "old" Highway 99E, through Brooks, Woodburn and Aurora. The section of freeway from Wilsonville to Portland is open to travel.

New Farm Bill Ready for Ike

WASHINGTON (AP)—A new farm bill which sets up a billion dollars a year soil bank and many other farm benefits is ready for President Eisenhower's signature.

The House approved the compromise bill by a 304-59 roll call vote Wednesday. It won Senate approval Tuesday.

The President is expected to sign the new legislation which is a substitute for the farm bill he vetoed April 16.

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