

Demos Convene Today; Adlai, Ave Scrap for Delegates

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Salem Kiwanians Greet Alaskan Couple



Annual convention of the Northwest District of Kiwanis International opened a three-day run in Salem Sunday. Pictured prior to initial session at Hotel Marion are Russel Pratt (left) member host Salem club; Mrs. Bunny LeSievre and Bunny LeSievre, of the White Horse, Alaska, club and farthest traveling convention participant; and Charles Schmidt of Salem, convention chairman.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Smyke

Since roll calls in legislative chambers provide a permanent record of a member's attitude on issues, some interested in politics put a great store on how an individual's record shows up, especially if he is running for reelection. Not long ago Senator Neuberger called attention of Oregon editors to the fact that he had voted in support of the Eisenhower foreign aid program on six out of seven rollcalls, while some of the Republican leadership deserted the President. It is true that Eisenhower hasn't had 100 per cent backing of his legislative program from members of his own party who may this fall seek to ride into office again on Ike's coattails. However the inference that might be drawn from votes on specific measures that it was the Democrats who rescued the President's program from defeat is not substantiated on the complete record. On individual issues, yes; overall, no.

This is shown in the summary just released by Congressional Quarterly, an unbiased research and reporting agency whose service is received by The Statesman. It starts its report in this wise:

"Republicans in Congress outscored Democrats by a whopping 24 per cent in their legislative support of President Eisenhower in 1956."

The score showed 72 per cent of Republican senators and representatives backed up the President on the 99 rollcall votes on issues on which the

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Lake Claims Father, Son
VANCOUVER, Wash. — A nine-year-old boy was jarred from a small boat as it hit an object in Lake River near here Sunday evening, and his father jumped in to save him. Both were presumed drowned.

Sheriff Clarence McKay identified the father as John Johnston, 32, Rt. 1, Box 649, Vancouver. The boy was Steven Johnston. McKay said witnesses reported this was what happened:

A party of seven was riding in a 16-foot boat on the river, which connects Vancouver Lake with the Columbia River. The boat hit something, apparently a snag, and Steven toppled overboard. Johnston dived in and both were lost in the darkness. Sheriff's officers were to resume dragging at daylight.

WILBERT
"No, Mrs. Rumpus, Wilbert hasn't given me a bit of trouble!"

900 Delegates Here For Kiwanis Confab

3-Day District Meeting Begins

Over 900 Kiwanians and members of their families had registered at the Marion Hotel late Sunday night for the 39th annual Pacific Northwest District Kiwanis convention which will get into full swing here today.

Registration today is expected to boost the total to well over 1,000.

Kiwanian Douglas McKay, former Secretary of Interior and Republican candidate for U. S. senator, will address the convention at 9:40 a. m. today at the Elsinore Theater.

Community Sing
A 7 a. m. breakfast and a 9 a. m. community sing will precede the official convening of the convention.

Joseph O. Tally Jr., Kiwanis International Trustee from Fayetteville, N. C., will speak to the group at 10:45 a. m. Reports, appointment of convention committees and announcements will occupy the remainder of the morning business session.

This afternoon delegates will travel to Silver Creek Falls and a chicken feed will be held there beginning at 5:30 p. m.

300 Wives Register
About 300 wives had registered at the Marion Hotel Sunday night. They will be entertained Monday and Tuesday with golf at the Salem Country Club, tours of the Capitol area and Santiam River and a fashion show.

Sunday Kiwanians attended an evening inspiration service at First Methodist Church. Dinners honoring past district governors and 1956 lieutenant-governors were held in the Marion Hotel. The district Board of Trustees met during the afternoon.

Election of officers will be held Tuesday and the convention will conclude Tuesday evening with a Governor's Banquet in the Armory.

Blast Wrecks School; Hint Of Sabotage
GOLDEN CITY, Mo. — A dynamite explosion demolished two partly completed walls of a new high school building here early Sunday, and City Marshal Craydon Lyons said, "I'm sure it was sabotage."

Lyons said a "large charge of dynamite, probably a case" exploded shortly before dawn, wrecking the structure of bricks and concrete blocks. The school was about one-third completed. There were no injuries.

"I'm sure it was sabotage," said Lyons. "I got there about six minutes after it happened and the smell of dynamite was very strong."

Although the only visible injury was a bruise on the lower part of her chest, she was in severe pain and was brought to a hospital here where she died of an internal injury diagnosed as possibly a liver rupture.

The truck driver, unaware of the mishap, drove on.

Rival Claims Made

Many Delegates Stay on Fence; Adlai Leading

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL

CHICAGO (AP)—Adlai Stevenson and Gov. Averell Harriman battled furiously Sunday night on the eve of the Democratic national convention for the votes that will seal the Presidential nomination. Many delegates showed a tendency to perch on the fence.

Harry S. Truman rounded up some of the battle tested old pros in the party and waded into the scrap on behalf of Harriman—the man he contends is best qualified to be President.

Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee stepped up his pressure to put over Stevenson.

Rebuilding Round

Every train and plane spewed more delegates into town for a bewildering round of caucuses and other preliminaries to the opening of the convention itself and delivery of the keynote speech by Gov. Frank Clement of Tennessee.

With the gathering of the Democratic clans nearly complete, Stevenson passed the 500 count and Harriman the 200 mark in the Associated Press box score of minimum votes indicated on the first ballot.

With 586 1/2 votes needed to bag the nomination, Stevenson had

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509 1/2, Harriman 201, others 280, and 381 1/2 were undecided or uncommitted.

The Louisiana delegation, bound by the unit rule, voted to lay its 24 votes on the line for Stevenson on the first ballot. Oklahoma, another unit rule state, pledged its 28 votes to Harriman.

Advance Dope

That was according to all the advance dope.

But for varying reasons, all involving bargaining power, a number of delegations decided to go slow now and make no commitments.

New Jersey decided to play a waiting game and party leaders of the state asked Gov. Robert B. Meyner to accept a favorite son vote on the first ballot. Meyner told a news conference he was reluctant but didn't say no.

With a view to keeping the pressure on the platform committee to write a civil rights plank acceptable to the South, the Alabama delegation refused to commit itself on a nominee until later in the week.

Refuse Stand

They wouldn't even take a stand on whether to give way to Illinois or Kentucky on the first ballot to open the way for the name of either Stevenson or Gov. A. B. "Happy" Chandler to go in nomination first.

Although decisions such as these weren't necessarily a direct result of Truman's endorsement of Harriman, they fitted in with the strategy of the Harriman-Truman forces to prevent Stevenson from romping off with the nomination on an early ballot. They figure if they can stop Stevenson for perhaps three or four roll calls, he is stopped for good.

Rival Claims

With the accustomed immodesty attendant on these political postures, the rival camps were claiming everything in sight.

Stevenson interrupted a two-hour hand pumping jamoree at a reception he gave in honor of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt to offer his current appraisal of what Truman's plug for Harriman meant.

"I don't think that it will have any material effect. I expect to be nominated on an early ballot."

A White House statement made clear that Eisenhower and Dulles expect the London conference to open on schedule Thursday. The statement indicated both Democrats and Republicans had supported the administration's policy of seeking a settlement which would place the Canal under international control.

The British answer to Nasser had been in the making for a week. Aircraft carriers and paratroops had already sailed for the Mediterranean and others were ordered fitted out for movement.

But Britain held up an airlift of troops last week—and the order to go came Sunday morning. (Story also on Page 3)

Young Sisters Practice Draw, Father Killed

CHICAGO (AP)—Two young sisters, fresh from seeing a western-type movie, engaged in a pistol-drawing contest in a friend's home Sunday. The result:

One of the weapons discharged, killing their father, Manuel Martinez, 33.

The girls—Rebecca, 8, and Lucy, 12—were playing with the pistols in the home of Antonio Aguilera on the southeast side. Rebecca's gun, a .32 caliber revolver, discharged, the bullet striking Martinez in the abdomen.

Police sought to find out who owned the pistols.

6 Burglaries In Woodburn Area Cleared

By LARRY HOBART

Staff Writer, The Statesman

Six burglaries at Woodburn and Gervais early Friday morning were cleared Sunday, Marion County Sheriff Denver Young announced.

Young said Ronald Eugene Huffman, 16-year-old Silverton youth, admitted participation in the break-ins and Sunday led officers to a spot about five miles east of Silverton where a safe taken from a sub-postoffice in Woodburn was found.

Huffman was arrested by city police Saturday afternoon. He was placed in the Marion County jail on a charge of burglary, not in a dwelling. Young said complaints will be signed today.

Second Youth

A second 16-year-old, now in MacLaren School for Boys, was also admitted taking part in the Woodburn - Gervais break-ins, Young reported.

The safe, which was removed from the post office at the Highway Variety store in Woodburn, was intact when recovered, Young said. It reportedly contained \$164 in cash and stamps when taken.

Young said the safe was hidden in brush near the Huffman boy's home.

Safe Taken

Theft of a safe from Ann's Market at Brooks July 24 was also admitted by Huffman, Young reported. The safe was recovered Saturday in Albion Creek about 2 1/2 miles from Silverton.

The sheriff said Huffman and the 16-year-old MacLaren parolee had carted the safe away, pried off the door and removed about \$300 in cash. The two youths burned checks and other papers found in the safe, he said.

The MacLaren parolee was returned to the school by a counselor the morning after the Woodburn - Gervais burglary reports, the sheriff said. He had been temporarily placed with Huffman's step-father as a foster child. Young reported Huffman reportedly had been living in Bend until recently moving to Silverton. (Add. details page 3.)

Girl Killed by Flying Spring From Truck

GRANTS PASS, Ore. — A piece of spring steel fell from a pickup truck, bounced on the highway and crashed through the windshield of an oncoming passenger car, bringing death early Sunday to a 14-year-old San Francisco girl.

The accident occurred on Highway 99, a mile north of here near an area of road construction work Saturday afternoon.

The car driver, Charles McLean, San Francisco, insurance salesman on a vacation tour with his wife and their daughter, Linda Jean, 14, said he noticed an object fall from the truck and bounce twice before it came through the windshield.

It struck the girl who was sitting at the extreme right in the front seat.

Although the only visible injury was a bruise on the lower part of her chest, she was in severe pain and was brought to a hospital here where she died of an internal injury diagnosed as possibly a liver rupture.

The truck driver, unaware of the mishap, drove on.

BASEBALL
NORTHWEST LEAGUE
At Yakima 3-15, Salem 1-18
At Eugene 7-4, Silverton 1-1
At Wenatchee 4-7, Lewiston 0-5

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
At Portland 4-8, San Diego 8-10
At Los Angeles 4-7, Sacramento 2-0
At San Francisco 0-3, Hollywood 4-3
At Seattle 1-2, Vancouver 15-3

NATIONAL LEAGUE
At Milwaukee 8-4, Cincinnati 2-1
At Chicago 4-0, St. Louis 2-0
At Pittsburgh 3-11, New York 2-3
At Brooklyn 7-1, Philadelphia 3-1

AMERICAN LEAGUE
At New York 6-4, Baltimore 2-2
At Washington 3-0, Boston 2-1
At Kansas City 3-0, Cleveland 6-1
At Detroit 5-3, Chicago 2-2

Car Dives Into Detroit Lake; Mill City Youth Dies, 3 Escape

New Life, New Parents Greet Reich Baby



Little Rita Lou Miller, poses with her new parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Miller, 515 Chemawa Rd., after her arrival Sunday by plane from Germany. The infant, who will reach her first birthday on Wednesday, was adopted out of a Nurnburg orphanage. (Statesman photo)

German Tot Reaches New Home in Salem

By JERRY STONE

Staff Writer, The Statesman

One of the big moments in a Salem area couple's lives came early Sunday morning when an airliner flew out of the night sky into Portland airport. It carried their first child—an infant from faroff Germany.

For Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Miller, 515 Chemawa Rd., it was the end of a long and anxious wait as they stepped on the plane about 3 a. m. and first saw the baby girl. She was sleeping contentedly in the arms of a stewardess.

Year Old Wednesday
Later Sunday little Rita Lou Miller, who will be one year old Wednesday, was getting acquainted with the household on Chemawa Road that will be her home.

The arrival of Rita Lou capped the months of negotiations and legal tie-ins necessary before the Millers could adopt the little girl out of a Nurnburg orphanage. The Millers gladly paid all transportation costs for the baby as well as fees for passport and other items. Total expenditure was estimated at about \$800 to get Rita Lou to her new home.

The Millers first became interested in the infant when a nephew of Mrs. Miller, serving in the Army in Germany, called attention to the case. The Millers, yearning for a first child, quickly became interested.

Baby Tired
Rita Lou, tired from the long air trip which included a stopover at New York, slept away most of Sunday. When she wasn't sleeping, the blonde, blue-eyed, chubby infant was an attraction for numerous friends and relatives.

"She's a very good baby," said Mrs. Miller. "She hasn't actually cried once since we took her from the plane."

17 FRENCH SOLDIERS KILLED
ALGIERS (AP)—At least 17 French soldiers were reported killed Sunday in a nationalist rebel ambush near Boucken, less than 40 miles by air south of this capital.

Betsy, the year's first hurricane caused one death, flattened wooden buildings, flooded some areas and crippled San Juan's power and transportation systems.

The U. S. weather bureau at San Juan, Puerto Rico, said that winds would increase Sunday night in the southeastern Bahamas Islands, reaching hurricane force in the Turks Island area Sunday night and central Bahamas Monday.

Location of the storm was about 900 miles from Miami. Turks Island lies 700 mile east-southeast of Miami.

Highest winds were estimated at 125 miles per hour over a small area near the center of Hurricane Betsy.

STARCH SELLS FOR SULFA
TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—Tung Ming-Tai, manager of one of Taipei's leading pharmacies, has been sentenced to five years in prison for selling fake sulfa tablets to the Chinese Nationalist armed forces. Authorities said the tablets were made principally of starch.

Vehicle Rolls Over 100-Foot Embankment

DETROIT, Ore.—A 21-year-old Mill City youth died early Sunday morning when a car plunged off the North Santiam Highway into Detroit Lake about two miles west of Idanha. Three other youths in the vehicle escaped with minor injuries, state police said.

The victim was identified by Officer Stanton Zelmer as Richard Kanoff, 21, who reportedly was driving the vehicle when it dived over a 100-foot high embankment. His body was recovered in dragging operations Sunday afternoon, some 12 hours after the 2:30 a. m. tragedy. The 1956 Chevrolet coupe involved in the accident had been pulled from about 10 feet of water a few hours earlier.

The three youths who escaped serious injury were listed as Clifford Swift, 28; Phillip Goebel, 22; and Floyd Landgasher, all of Mill City. They reportedly freed themselves from the submerged car and swam ashore. Swift and Goebel were taken to Santiam Memorial Hospital but released shortly.

Young Kanoff's death raised the 1956 traffic toll in Marion County to 12 and pushed the fatality total in the Marion-Polk area to 15.

Officers said Kanoff apparently was trapped in the car after it smashed a guard railing, plunged over an embankment and sank in the waters of the lake behind Detroit Dam.

Indications were that the victim may have gone to sleep as the vehicle was traveling east toward Idanha. A witness said the vehicle left the highway and careened and rolled some 350 feet along the right shoulder before hurtling over the steep, high embankment into the lake. The car was located about 30 feet from shore.

Left Falls City
The party of four had been seen in Falls City shortly before the accident.

The victim was the seventh person to die in a car plunge into Detroit Lake, according to unofficial figures. Another mishap at almost the identical spot some two months ago proved fatal to Ray Watkins of Idanha.

Kanoff was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kanoff of Mill City and was a graduate of Mill City High School, where he was a member of the basketball team.

Others surviving in addition to the parents include a brother, Larry.

Funeral arrangements are in care of Weddle Mortuary at Stayton.

Booze Price War Flares In Portland
PORTLAND (AP)—It was a tippler's delight in Portland over the weekend when a price war broke out in some of the city's bars.

For the first time since Granddad's day, you could get a healthy shot of bar whiskey in a downtown emporium for two-bills. Another bar—catering perhaps to those of stouter stock—offered a two-ounce double shot for only 40 cents.

The boys behind the bars admitted they didn't know how the whole thing got started. Most of them wished it would end. Several bar owners said they were losing money hand over shot glass trying to keep up with the competition.

But the booze bonanza showed signs of ending. The Oregon Liquor Commission invited all of those engaged in the price slashing to an OLC meeting here Monday. The commission apparently believed the price slashing showed signs of getting a bit out of hand.

Weatherman Says Cooler
Clouds are expected mornings and evenings here today and Tuesday but otherwise it will continue fair, according to the McNary Field weather station.

Predicted high today is 78—a little cooler than Sunday's 93. Low tonight will probably be 50.

Northern Oregon beaches will probably be foggy and cloudy today with partial clearing this afternoon. Expected high is 50 to 63, the low tonight 50 to 53.

Four Brothers Claim Strip Of Highway 99, Block Road
GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP)—Four brothers who claim they own a 16 1/2-foot strip across the Pacific Highway barricaded the busy thoroughfare with a rope Sunday afternoon, blocking traffic and testing motorists' tempers.

Robert G. Stumbo, a logger in the nearby community of Wolf Creek, Ore., and three brothers established the road block about 37 miles north of here on U. S. Highway 99, a main route to California.

They placed the rope across the highway and erected a sign which read: "Private property—permission to trespass revokable at any time." They then stood guard.

"As many as 200 north and south-bound automobiles and trucks were delayed 30 minutes or more, and at least one bus was caught in the jam. One motorist crashed the blockade and several cars followed him through before the rope was put back across the highway.

Police got traffic moving again after the Stumbo brothers removed their barricade and went on their way.

Their attorney, Jim McGoodwin of Medford, said the Stumbos are rightful owners of the 16 1/2-foot strip which happens to cross the highway. McGoodwin said St. St. Stumbo, father of the brothers, purchased the property some 40 years ago and when the highway was built, no one bothered to purchase the Stumbos' land.

McGoodwin said the Stumbos will petition the county court in Roseburg Monday for a toll road franchise. The attorney said that it was possible the brothers would attempt to sue the state in an attempt to clarify the situation. No charges had been filed by late afternoon.

WOMEN DRAFTED

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP)—Syria announced Sunday a nationwide draft of civilians—including women. The men and women will go into military camps for 30 days' training "to defend the Arab nation against the existing foreign threat."

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