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Attorney General Rules Centennial Cost Check Legal

Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton ruled Thursday that Secretary of State Mark Hatfield has authority to require the Oregon Centennial Commission to be more specific in its expense statements.

Ketch Crew Arrested In Pacific

HONOLULU (U.S.) — Four pacifists sailed defiantly out of Honolulu Harbor en route to the Mid-Pacific atomic test zone Thursday only to wind up a few hours later in jail here on contempt of court charges.

Slayer, Pals Nabbed After Jail Escape

EPHRATA, Wash. (U.S.) — Three jail escapees, including a murderer sentenced to hang, were reported captured at a road block near this Central Washington town late Thursday night.

Balmy Day on Area Forecast

Fair weather and balmy temperatures will continue for the rest of the week except for late night and early morning cloudiness, weathermen said early today.

Customers Bring Own Bats To Horror Movie Preview

HANCOCK, Mich. (U.S.) — They're still trying to pluck the bats from the third balcony area of the staid old Kerredge Theater Thursday in the case of the horror show that came to life.

Slot Machines Crushed

HILLSBORO, Ore. (U.S.) — A big roadroller crushed 50 slot machines here Thursday. The slot machines were seized Wednesday night in a raid at a deserted school building near here.

Registration for Primary Vote Sets New State Mark

A record primary election registration of 529,770 voters was reported Thursday by the State Election Division. The previous largest Oregon primary registration was 785,285 in 1954. The record for any election was 877,952 for the 1954 general election.

Parade at Jefferson Due Today

JEFFERSON—A mile of floats is expected Friday morning in Jefferson's community May Day parade. Business firms and organizations throughout the area annually enter the event.

Pupils Picked To Speak at Graduation

Mary Ann Looney and Kent Lammer, North Salem High seniors, will speak at the school's commencement exercises June 8. Mary Ann has served as president of the North High Girls' League organization and Julia Briganti Y-Teens this year.

Forest Fire Flares Briefly Near Drain

ROSEBURG, Ore. (U.S.) — A forest fire flared briefly Thursday as the humidity dropped dangerously low in parts of Douglas County. Some logging operations shut down as the humidity dropped below 30 per cent in parts of this important lumber producing area.

Today's Statesman

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Guilt Plea Entered By Lifer

D'Autremont Acts To Obtain Parole (Picture at right).

PORTLAND (AP)—A man Thursday pleaded guilty to a 35-year-old charge that grew out of a train bombing for which he now is serving a life prison term.

Hugh D'Autremont, 55, went into U.S. District Court here and said "I wish to plead guilty" to a charge of assaulting a mail clerk. D'Autremont was charged with assaulting Elynn Friebe, one of four men killed in the abortive holdup of a mail train in 1923.

Park Benches Loaded as Belated Spring Welcomed

By CONRAD PRANGE Staff Writer, The Statesman. A sunny day in May is not so rare, but five days of flawless, golden sunshine are as welcome this time of year as a tax refund.

Driver Dies At Falls City; House Struck

FALLS CITY—Mrs. Leja Fletcher, 64, apparently suffered a fatal heart attack Thursday afternoon while driving alone on South Main Street. She died almost immediately and the Mack Hatcher home near the bridge approach over Little Luckiamote river.

Arrested in Midwest

His twin brothers, Roy and Ray, were captured in the Midwest. All were convicted of murder and given life terms. Ray still is in the penitentiary. Roy for several years has been an inmate in a state hospital.

Sewage Bonds Okehed

OAK GROVE (U.S.) — A bond issue of \$1,200,000 for construction of a sewage system here has been approved by voters for the second time. The first vote was voided because of technicalities in the official publication. The second vote was 992-284.

Hotel Work Starts

PORTLAND (U.S.) — The Hoffman Construction Co. Thursday turned the first ground for a new Sherraton Hotel here. The hotel will cost \$10 million dollars.

The Weather

Today's forecast: Fair except for some late night and early morning cloudiness. High 70, low 40. (Complete report page 2)

Admits 35-Year-Old Charge



PORTLAND, Ore.—Hugh D'Autremont (center) walks from federal court Thursday where he pleaded guilty to a 35-year-old charge of assaulting a mail clerk. He is accompanied by two guards from the state prison in Salem where he is serving a life sentence for murder growing out of the mail train robbery. (Story at left) (AP)

Dulles Offers To Cut Down Polar Flights

Russ Reply to Affect Summit

By WARREN ROGERS JR. WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States offered Thursday to consider cutting down its H-bomb flights in the arctic if the Soviet Union accepts the U.S. North Pole inspection plan.

Jobless Pay Bill Approved

WASHINGTON (U.S.) — With the help of Southern Democratic conservatives, the Eisenhower administration Thursday won approval of its emergency unemployment relief program. By a roll-call vote of 223-165 the House rejected a 14-billion-dollar Democratic leadership plan, which critics called an outright dole in favor of a 600-million-dollar program backed by President Eisenhower.

Without Mockery

The substitution motion was made by a Democrat, Rep. Herlong of Florida, who said the GOP administration bill would provide a temporary extension of jobless pay benefits "in a sound way, without making a complete mockery of the entire unemployment compensation program."

Pond Claims Eugene Boy

EUGENE (U.S.) — David Norman Callen, 5, drowned in a mill pond in West Eugene, about one block from his home Thursday. The boy's body was recovered Thursday night, some six hours after he was reported missing. Police said the child apparently was playing in a field and toppled from a bank about 12 feet high into the pond.

Politics on Parade

Who's Running for What in May Primaries (Editor's Note: The Oregon Statesman's exclusive Political Parade series is presented by the candidates themselves. It is published as a public service, without cost or obligation, and may or may not be in accord with the editorial policies of this newspaper.)

BASEBALL NORTHWEST LEAGUE: At Wenatchee 4, Salem 2; At Yakima 1, Yuba 4; At Tri-City 3, Eugene 2. PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE: At Sacramento 2, Portland 6; At Salt Lake City 19, Vancouver 8; At Boston 7, Kansas City 2; At Spokane 4, Seattle 5. AMERICAN LEAGUE: At Washington 1, Cleveland 9; At Baltimore 3, Chicago 4; At Boston 7, Kansas City 4. NATIONAL LEAGUE: At Chicago 3, Milwaukee 2; At Los Angeles 3, Pittsburgh 2; At San Francisco 6, Philadelphia 7.

Sunshine, Balmy Air Bring on Severe Attacks of Spring Fever in Valley



Willamette University students John Sweeney (left), Los Angeles, and Truman Baird, Woodburn, brought a card table and adding machine outside Thursday so they could do their accounting homework and still enjoy the sunshine.



Four-year-old Charles Johnson, Monmouth, gave little Karen Tarter, Monmouth, a stroll around Willson Park Thursday during the summer-like weather while their mothers sat on the grass enjoying the sun.



Empty park benches were hard to find Thursday as scores of people flooded the parks to soak up the sunshine and like (left to right) R. B. Baker, Albert M. Cook and Richard Johnson talk of politics, weather and squirrels.

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GEORGE ROSSMAN Candidate for Position 7 Oregon Supreme Court The exceptional service which Judge George Rossman has rendered as a member of the Oregon Supreme Court has been widely recognized. In the American Bar Association Journal, John H. Wigmore, textbook writer and law dean, ranked Rossman with 22 other judges who were "habitually writing masterly opinions in the various Supreme Courts." Another writer said one of Judge Rossman's decisions "established for the first time the right of survivorship in joint bank accounts. Thus, was first recognized in Oregon this type of the poor man's will." That decision has saved for many people probate charges and has enabled the family of the deceased to gain prompt access to needed money. Judge Rossman wrote the decision holding unconstitutional our alien land law. Many courts had sustained constitutionality of similar legislation. Judge Rossman's was the first decision declaring the act invalid. After the decision, a member of the U. S. Supreme Court wrote Judge Rossman as follows: "You have written a handsome and cleanly reasoned opinion, a fine example of how the law can be adapted by men of good will to the best instincts and aspirations of our people. It is work such as this which reassures us that we labor not in vain." Since his appointment to the supreme court, Judge Rossman has been one of its most industrious members. There are seven judges. Throughout his service, Judge Rossman has written more than 1/7 of all decisions. Last year he wrote better than 1/5. The year prior to that better than 1/6. (Next: Don Methany)