

Chest Kickoff Set Thursday

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the field soliciting contributions from firms, executives and employees in and around the Eugene area," Silva reported.

Group Chairmen
Group chairmen of the various unit divisions include the following:

Industrial: foods, Fred Kelsey; iron and steel, Dean Pape; building and industry, Carl J. Rath; transportation, C. A. Eberhardt; general manufacturing, C. R. Martinek.

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Public service: finance, banks, C. Gilliam; press, radio, theaters, C. P. Tillman; restaurants, J. Don Smith; hotels, laundries, C. F. Wright; new car dealers, E. Gilbertson; automotive, oil, Ray Bacon and C. R. Manerud; hospitals, morticians, miscellaneous, C. E. McLean.

Government: city, Howard Buford; county, Grace Schiska; state, Ted C. Jones; federal, Al Welner; water board, William Moore.

Falling Tree Kills Woman

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ridge, who suffered lacerations and abrasions; Mr. Michael Gallardo, Seattle, broken ribs; and Shirley Twomey, Englewood, Calif., lacerations and abrasions.

Winds up to 60 miles an hour in the mountains brought down several trees across the Willamette Highway, and in Eugene 32-mile-an-hour gusts were accompanied by rain which totalled .86 inch for the 24-hour period ending 10:30 a.m. Monday.

Dee Fox, foreman at Oakridge for the SState Highway Department estimated Monday that there were dozens of trees across the Willamette Highway Sunday, and crews labored all day to clear away debris and keep traffic moving. Some trees were uprooted, and some broke off as high as 80 feet from the ground.

The winds were accompanied by heaviest snows of the season at the summit of Cascade passes. Sanders and plows were operating Monday.

Court Upholds Religious Right

KINGSTON, N.Y.—(AP)—A state supreme court justice Monday upheld as constitutional the practice of New York in releasing public school children from classes for religious training.

Justice Roscoe V. Elsworth held that the state's "released time" programs cannot be "condemned upon a finding that they are in aid of religion."

He dismissed as failing to show facts sufficient for a cause of action a petition of Joseph Lewis, of North Salem, N.Y., president of the Free Thinkers Society of America, who asked that the state's released time system be halted.

New York state's education law permits release of pupils for one hour a week for religious classes outside school grounds. The program is in operation in New York City and elsewhere in the state.

Elsworth said that New York's released time program "entails no use of the school buildings for religious instruction, nor is there any expenditure of public funds for that purpose."

Fire Destroys Historic Inn

NEWPORT, Ore.—(AP)—Fire destroyed the historic Agate Beach Inn Sunday night.

Six guests fled from the building before they were endangered but firemen said the three story frame landmark structure was beyond saving a few minutes after flames were discovered.

Manager Robert Neilson valued the building at \$60,000 and said it was covered by \$35,000 of insurance. Many old furnishings and relics of the early era of the resort were lost, however. Valuable records had been removed a few weeks ago, however, by the Oregon Historical Society.

The hotel was a favorite beach hostel for Oregon Society from its first season in 1912 until after World War I.

The ricksha used in the Orient today was invented by U. S. Marine Jonathan Goble, who visited Japan in 1854 with Commodore Perry.

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Meridian Dam Suits Ready

The Oregon Federal District Court, with District Judge James A. Fee presiding, will open hearings on 10 Meridian Dam condemnation suits Tuesday at Moose Hall.

Several land owners east of Lowell whose property has been affected by relocation of 10 miles of Southern Pacific track have filed suits against the government. They are demanding a higher price for condemned land than the government has offered.

Transfer of the court from Portland was necessitated by the large number of persons involved in the land suits. Actual court proceedings are scheduled to start Wednesday. Motions and pre-trial discussion will be handled Tuesday.

Search Widens For Coed Killer

BOULDER, Colo.—(AP)—The search for the slayer of Theresa Foster, 18-year-old University of Colorado coed, extended to southern Colorado Monday.

Canon City police held a 26-year-old man for questioning by Boulder authorities about the death of the pretty freshman who was found raped and strangled to death Thursday.

Marvin Richards, Canon City chief of police, said he arrested the man on a traffic violation, and held him when he found blood in the trunk of his car. The automobile had a California license.

Meanwhile, police in northeastern Colorado were on the lookout for a black Ford coupe, Denver Detective Joseph Hollendrake said the driver of the car was seen washing out the trunk on a country road. He drove off when he saw he was being watched, the detective said.

State Office Worker Dies at Birch Creek

PENDLETON, Ore.—(AP)—A teller in the state treasurer's office for 18 years, Grace A. Gilliam died Saturday in her historic home on Birch Creek. She was 71.

Before she went to work for the state in Salem Miss Gilliam was Umatilla County treasurer.

Miss Gilliam's family is a prominent one in Oregon history. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gilliam, crossed the plains in 1847 to settle on a donation land claim at Birch Creek.

She was a member of the Salem Methodist Church and active in many clubs in that city including the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Funeral services will be held here Tuesday.

Scientist Says Engine May Travel Through the Earth

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—A noted scientist said an engine can be developed to travel through the earth, with underground warfare a possibility.

The statement was made by Dr. Fritz Zwicky, professor of Astrophysics at California Institute of Technology and director of research for Aerojet, world's largest building of rocket engines. He disclosed at the same time that a new type engine for underwater vehicles had been developed which may double the speed of torpedoes and other submerged weapons.

The latter engine as described in general terms by Dr. Zwicky uses the principle of the pulse jet engine which powered the German V-1 bomb, but uses a fuel which combusts on contact with water instead of burning gasoline as does the V-1 engine.

Discussing the whole field of power plant studies at a meeting of aircraft industry officials and visiting aviation writers, Dr. Zwicky said Aerojet has developed a pulse jet several times as effective as the engine used by the Germans to send bombs across the English channel.

The scientist said studies are being made in the field of power plants for "a propelled vehicle that will drill through the earth like a mole."

"This is something you have not seen yet, but which is also-

lutely in the scheme of things," he said. "We know the theory how it can be done, but we are not ready to go ahead until we know more about the composition of the earth."

Answering a question, he said it is possible that such an earth machine could be used to attack an enemy on the other side of the world.

Such a machine he described as a "terra-pulse" engine. He said it would have great commercial use in drilling for minerals and petroleum.

Discussing the underwater or "hydra-pulse" engine, Dr. Zwicky said speeds of 10 knots (115 miles an hour) were possible. He described the engine as far more efficient than any other propulsion engine.

Engdahl May Get Senate Job

PORTLAND, Ore.—(AP)—State Sen. Carl Engdahl of Pendleton Monday emerged on the inside rail for the Senate presidency, a post second in line for the governorship.

At weekend caucuses of Republican and Democratic senators in Portland, pledges were split between Sen. William E. Walsh of Coos Bay and Senator Engdahl as GOP members of the Senate took stock.

This left the bloc of 10 Democratic senators holding the balance of power, though one was pledged to Walsh and one refused to vote for "any Republican."

About 16 Votes
Eight of the ten Democrats agreed to vote for Engdahl when the Senate ballots, giving the veteran member of the House and Pendleton wheat farmer 16 and possibly 17 votes for the post, according to Democratic sources.

The Republicans hold 19 seats in the new Senate plus the one vacated by Sen. Douglas McKay who was elected governor. A total of 18 votes will be needed to elect a Senate president on the basis of a 30-member upper chamber.

Letters to the Editor Bring Chance to Trade

PORTLAND—(AP)—Two African youngsters wrote to the Oregonian Saturday asking for pen pals from Portland.

Jimoh Ashiru and W. O. All of LaGos, Nigeria, said they were collecting "dollars, sport shirts, belts, sweaters, and ankle socks." In exchange they offer cobra or leopard skin bags.

They wrote the "Dear honorable editor" that "Fortunately we come across your beneficial address" and "We therefore made up our minds to have ourselves in transactions."

City Officials To Meet Here

Mayors, councilmen and other officials of cities throughout the state will be in Eugene this Thursday, Friday and Saturday for the annual meetings of the League of Oregon Cities and the Oregon Finance Officers Assn.

Governor John H. Hall will be the principal speaker at a joint luncheon Thursday noon, and Dr. James H. Gilbert, former dean of the University of Oregon's college of liberal arts, will address the two organizations at a Thursday evening banquet session.

Other prominent speakers will be heard in the course of the convention and a number of leading consultants in specific fields of municipal government will attend the joint convention to advise cities' representatives.

Common problems of Oregon's cities will be analyzed during the two and one-half day proceedings on the University of Oregon campus. The results will then become the basis for the legislative program to be sponsored by the two municipal organizations in the 1949 state legislature.

Cargo Plane Crashes

BERLIN—(AP)—A U. S. Navy four-engined cargo plane crashed and burst into flames at Tempelhof airfield Monday night. All occupants were believed killed.

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