

6 Contempt Convictions Overtaken

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court overturned Monday the contempt convictions of six persons who balked at answering questions from congressional committees investigating Communist activities.

The high tribunal, in an opinion by Justice Stewart, said the convictions had to be set aside because the indictments returned by the grand jury against the six failed to identify the subject under congressional subcommittee inquiry at the time each witness was interrogated.

Stewart said Congress had expressly provided that no one could be prosecuted for refusal to answer questions of congressional investigators except upon indictment by a grand jury.

Group Files Waldo Lake Appeal Notice

Notice of a formal appeal to the recent decision on a management plan for the Waldo Lake area has been filed with the U.S. Forest Service.

The Oregon Cascades Conservation Council, through its president, William Oberteuffer, of Eugene, filed the notice late last week and asked an extension of time (30 days) in which to file a detailed statement.

The Forest Service recently announced a new plan of development of the lake and its basin located high in the Cascades north of the Willamette pass.

Earlier Appeal

This plan followed appeals of an earlier proposal and placed considerable recreational emphasis on future use of the basin and lakeshores.

Sen. Wayne L. Morse, D-Ore., said two weeks ago that the new plan was inadequate and much too general.

Oberteuffer Monday said that the appeal his group is making will be based on the alleged failure of the new plan to comply fully with the newly-proclaimed policy for high-mountain areas.

This high-mountain policy is also a new action by the government. It was announced by the Secretary of Agriculture, a higher authority than the Forest Service.

The policy states that groups of small lakes in the high mountains will be placed within "landscape management areas" to preserve their scenic character.

Objections Unanswered

Oberteuffer asserts that some groups of lakes, especially those south of Mt. Fuji, were not placed within such a landscape management usage in the Waldo Lake plan.

He also claimed that the objections of some 18 outdoor groups to the earlier Waldo Lake plan were not answered in the new plan.

The conservationist said that the appeal the OCCC is making is not intended to halt construction of a road from the Gold Lake area to the Waldo Lake eastern shores.

The road construction could go forward regardless of the appeal, he said, because his group has no objection to the route or other construction plans.

Administration Sponsors Rallies

Thousands Hear Medicare Plea

By Associated Press

The Kennedy administration, with the President leading the assault, has carried a plea for its medical care for the aged program across the nation in an attempt to bring pressure to bear on Congress. The American Medical Assn. goes on nationwide television tonight to counter the move.

While President Kennedy addressed 17,500 persons at New York City's Madison Square Garden Sunday, Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson and other administration spokesmen sounded calls for support of medical care for the aged under Social Security at more than a score of rallies across the country.

Many listeners, including some gray-haired prospective recipients of benefits under the King-Anderson bill, chanted "We will, we will" when the spokesmen told them to write their congressmen and urge support for the measure.

Kennedy, whose speech was carried on nationwide television, predicted that the bill would pass Congress "this year, or as the tide comes in, next year." He noted that Britain adopted similar legislation 30 years ago.

The president of the AMA, Dr. Leonard W. Larson, blasted the bill and the rallies saying the U.S. Treasury is being looted "in a massive propaganda blitz designed to pressure Congress" into enacting the program.

In a statement after the Kennedy speech, Larson said: "Giant Madison Square Garden rallies cannot conceal this fact: The King-Anderson bill would force an immediate 17 per cent payroll tax increase on workers earning \$5,200 or more and their employers."

Larson described the measure as radical and said it would "give the federal government dangerous power to control medical practice in hospitals."

The AMA favors the present Kerr-Mills law, which provides for federal assistance to states but leaves administration of a program of medical care for indigents over 65 to the states themselves.

Under the King-Anderson measure, Social Security recipients would be eligible for medical aid financed through a

Social Security payroll tax increase of one-fourth of one per cent on employes and employers.

Several thousand persons who could not get into the Garden to hear Kennedy's speech sat outside and listened to it via public address system.

At one point, Kennedy noted that he had paid several visits in the past two days to his sick father, Joseph P. Kennedy, in a rehabilitation institute here.

"He can pay his bills," the President said. "If he couldn't, I would have to, and I'm not as well off as he is."

The President said at least half the mail he has received on the bill has been "wholly misinformed" about its provisions.

He urged that doctors throughout the country write to him, to Welfare Secretary Ribicoff or the bill's sponsors—Rep. Cecil R. King, D-Calif., and Sen. Clinton P. Anderson, D-N.M.—and get a "concise explanation" of the proposal.

Kennedy said the administration wants the help of doctors "and gradually we are getting it."

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Senate to Take Up Kennedy Farm Bill

Demo Urges Senators to Consider Proposals Apart From Estes Case

WASHINGTON (AP)—Democratic Whip Hubert H. Humphrey appealed to the Senate Monday to consider President Kennedy's farm requests without becoming involved in the Billie Sol Estes investigation.

He made the plea as the Senate prepared to take up its version of the President's proposals.

The Minnesota Democrat conceded that the Estes case probably "will be part of the social environment in which the farm bill will be discussed." But he reminded that the Senate was a legislative rather than an investigative body.

In discussing the farm bill, Humphrey told reporters he thought "the administration might do quite well" in getting the Senate to restore some of its proposals cut out of the bill in committee.

Closed Hearings

Noting that the McClellan investigating subcommittee was starting closed hearings on the Estes grain-fertilizer scandal today, the senator told newsmen: "The best way to investigate is to investigate in committee and not in the Senate. The McClellan committee is one of the best in Congress and will give all the support possible. We should separate these two matters."

First stages of the investigation were held in the office of Sen. John L. McClellan, D-Ark., chairman of the investigating subcommittee. Among those in on the session was N. Battle Hales, who was transferred to a field post after charging that the Agriculture Department was partial to Estes in cotton allotment awards.

The subcommittee held a closed afternoon session to begin looking into information on the case.

Informal sources said the Senate investigators had quietly arranged to examine the income tax files of Estes and others involved in his dealings with the government.

They said McClellan's subcommittee had asked for tax records of Estes and three former government officials who lost their jobs as a result of disclosures arising from Estes' grain and cotton operations. An executive order gives the subcommittee the right to make use of tax returns.

U.S. Buildup In Thailand Nears Goal

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP)—

The United States military buildup in Thailand neared its 5,000-man goal Monday and American officials expressed satisfaction with their speedy deployment to defense positions.

The last few hundred reinforcements were flying in from Hawaii on 13-hour, one-stop flights.

After a round of weekend inspections and conferences by the U.S. commander for Southeast Asia, Gen. Paul D. Harkins, processing of the new men and materials was functioning like clockwork.

U.S. Ambassador Kenneth Todd Young told newsmen Sunday that American forces will remain in Thailand "so long as the situation remains confused, dangerous and a threat to Thailand's security."

Young indicated that a political settlement among the three rival princes of neighboring Laos would not necessarily mean U.S. troops would leave Thailand immediately.

The Thai government is concerned about internal subversion.



(AP Wirephoto)

Sent Back

A Hong Kong policeman assists an elderly Chinese who is being sent back to Communist China after an illegal entry into the British crown colony. The policeman is carrying loaves of bread the immigrant will take with him as he crosses the border. Nationalist China announced Monday it will accept refugees who are being sent back from overcrowded Hong Kong.

Nationalist China to Admit Refugees From Mainland

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—The Nationalist Chinese government Monday announced it will accept all Chinese Communist refugees who want to come to Formosa from Hong Kong.

Authorities in the British crown colony have cracked down recently on the flow of illegal refugees from Red China and have shipped thousands back.

The formal announcement issued by Vice President Chen Cheng, who is also premier, set no limit on the number of refugees Formosa will accept.

It said the Nationalist Chinese treasury will "advance and appropriate funds required for the relief and resettlement of those refugees."

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To Spur Economy

President Urges Increased Output

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy said Monday the problem facing the nation is not how labor and management should divide fruits of production but how to increase output so everyone will have more to share.

The President was the first speaker at the White House conference of national economic issues—attended by several hundred of the nation's leading businessmen, labor union leaders, and representatives of the public.

Kennedy was introduced by Chairman Thomas J. Watson Jr. of the International Business Machines Co.

The President said the business and labor leaders had an opportunity at the conference to suggest to the government how the country can do a better job increasing output and economic growth.

Kennedy said the nation is not reaching its full productive potential. He said France, Italy, and Germany are doing a better job in using their potentialities and reaching higher economic growth rates.

Kennedy said many in business and labor criticize various aspects of his domestic economic policies as well as foreign economic problems such as reducing the balance of payments deficit.

He called on those present to come up with any suggestions they think would be better ways of handling the problems.

The President, speaking without a prepared text, said it is time to differentiate between myth and reality.

He said some bankers recently told Secretary of the Treasury Douglas Dillon they are afraid of inflation developing in this country. This is no problem at all, Kennedy said, because there has been very little inflation since 1958 and prices remain steady.

He appealed to labor and management to look at things as they are, and not in terms of party labels or anything else.

In that connection, Kennedy noted there will be no presidential election for two years. He indicated that now is the time to pull together for the general good, forgetting partisanship.

Top members of Kennedy's Cabinet, along with leading businessmen and labor officials, are scheduled to discuss such broad issues as collective bargaining, economic growth and wage-price policies, automation problems, and U.S. foreign trade problems during the two-day conference.

Large Group Of Europeans Flees Algeria

ALGIERS (AP)—Driven by Secret Army Organization terrorism and the fear of Moslem reprisals, 2,800 Europeans fled Algeria by plane over the weekend.

So great was the demand for air passage that military authorities had to add four planes to 12 flights previously scheduled for Sunday.

In the five days preceding the weekend, officials said about 2,000 persons departed with no apparent intention of returning to terror-plagued Algeria.

A similar rush for ship passage was reported along the Algiers docks, as alarm spread over increasing slaughter by killers of the Secret Army Organization and the threat of reprisals by Moslem commandos.

Lane Library Outcome Still Being Tallied

Anyone on tenterhooks about the outcome of the county library election will remain so at least until Tuesday.

The question of establishing a county library system received 17,107 "yes" votes and 17,049 "no" votes in the unofficial counting of regular ballots—a difference of 58 in favor of the library.

There are some 170 absentee ballots yet to be counted. However, the counting board that began Monday morning is leaving measures—including the library—until last, and the results will not be known until late Monday or early Tuesday.

To Be Honored as Homesteader With Longest-Held Property

Nature-Lover R. S. Shelley Recalls His Outdoor Life

By MARVIN TIMS Of the Register-Guard

Robert S. Shelley of Eugene, 85 years young, had a twinkle in his eye last week as he revealed his dream of "climbing Spencer Butte again when he is 102."

Somewhat slowed now by a bad hip, Shelley, who has a great love for the outdoors because of his third-of-a-century of service with the U.S. Forest Service, last climbed the butte "for about the thousandth time" five years ago.

"On this climb my son got poison oak," he said with a smile. "I've never been troubled with the stuff because I used to chew it when I was a youngster. I guess this made me immune."

The white-haired Eugenean, an avid reader with row on row of books and magazines in his study, will be honored by the Springfield Board of Realtors Tuesday.

He is being honored for being a homesteader who has owned his property longer than any other Emerald Empire resident. Shelley's homestead, however, is not located in Lane County. It is near Hood River, but it has been under his continuous ownership since 1904—a year after he graduated "summa cum laude" (with the highest praise) from the University of Oregon.

It was just about a century ago that Congress passed the Homestead Act. It provided that any person over 21 could obtain title to 160 acres of public land if he lived on the land

for five years and improved it. Public lands were closed to settlement in 1935.

Shelley will receive a special plaque Tuesday as part of the observance of National Realtor Week by the Springfield realtors.

"In my last year at the university, a doctor said I had only three months to live. He said I was suffering from something like nervous dyspepsia. I remember I had lost considerable weight, mainly because I was working long hours as well as going to school; taking such courses as civil engineering, mechanical engineering and science."

Shelley, who resides with his wife at 375 Garden Way, said wages were exceedingly low in the early 1900s and that he only had "about a dollar a week for food for a time during my last year in college."

Because of his health, Shelley decided to take an outdoor job after graduation. He went to work for the then infant Forest Service with a territory to patrol that spread from the Hood River valley southward to the McKenzie Highway.

"Often I would take pack horse trips into the wilderness and not see a human being for four months. I spent much of the time making surveys and preparing recommendations that led to future improvements in some of the Forest Service operations."

One of Shelley's close friends in those early days was Gifford Pinchot, one of the first persons to favor planned conservation of U. S. forests.

Pinchot, who later was to become governor of Pennsylvania, served as chief of the U. S. Forest Service from 1905 to 1910. Before the Forest Service was formed, he served as chief of the Division of Forestry.

"I used to take Mr. Pinchot on hunting and fishing trips when he visited Oregon. We were very good friends."

After Shelley obtained his homestead in 1904, he erected a 10 by 12-foot cabin on the 160-acre site, but heavy snow caved in the roof the first winter.

Shelley was also confronted with other homestead problems. "I tried digging a well and actually went down 36 feet using just a spade, but I never hit water. Finally, I used a vinegar barrel to catch drainage from the roof. It worked fine but the water had a marked flavor."

Shelley climbed numerous mountains during his Forest Service career and says the beauty of the outdoors has given him this creed to live by: "Climb, create, comprehend and consecrate."

Shelley, who retired from the Forest Service in 1938 at the age of 62, then went into the real estate business "so I wouldn't starve." He retired as a broker in 1950.

A Republican, Shelley has photos of Theodore Roosevelt and Dwight Eisenhower on his wall. But he said he didn't vote a straight party ticket. "I always try to vote for the best man." Asked whether he would vote for President Kennedy, Shelley said: "No. He won't let us keep our gold coins."



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