

JFK 'Rarin' to Go' On Politicking Tour

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy shook a bothersome cold Friday and stuck to his plan to engage in a role he relishes—politicking for Democrats.

An aide said Kennedy, who came down with a cold Thursday, was feeling much better this morning.

"He's rarin' to go," the aide said.

Although he cancelled all appointments Thursday and nursed the cold, Kennedy isn't expected to be hampered too much in his first

major outright political tour since the 1960 campaign.

Certainly his program would tax a well man—eight speeches in less than 48 hours, a helicopter dash by plane, helicopter and limousine into Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan and Minnesota.

Kennedy's schedule called for a midafternoon departure for Covington, Ky.

Before he beds down for the night, he will have made three speeches, at Covington, at Cincinnati's Fountain Square and at the Metropolitan Airport in Detroit.

Saturday he moves on to Flint and Muskegon, Mich., before flying to Minnesota, winding up with a statewide night telecast at a bean feed in St. Paul. He returns home Sunday after a noon speech in St. Cloud, Minn.

Kennedy's choice of these particular states is no accident.

Bitter Campaigns

Each was fought over bitterly during the 1960 presidential campaign. In the end Kennedy was lucky to come out with a 2-2 tie. He won Michigan and Minnesota, but barely. His Republican opponent, Richard M. Nixon, carried Kentucky and Ohio.

Ohio was a real blow to Kennedy. It's a big state, with 25 electoral votes, and he drew some of his most enthusiastic crowds there. Nixon rolled up his biggest plurality in Ohio, winning by almost 300,000 votes.

Since Kennedy was unable to take Kentucky and Ohio in 1960 even with the most strenuous of campaigns, it would seem dubious that he could do much good with brief stops there Friday night.

Worth the Effort

Democratic leaders think it's worth making the effort.

In Kentucky Lt. Gov. Wilson Wyatt covets the job held by Sen. Thruston B. Morton. As a former chairman of the Republican party Morton is a prime target.

In Ohio, Kennedy would like to get in some good digs for Gov. Michael V. DiSalle, who is seriously challenged by the GOP state auditor, James A. Rhodes. The President may also say kind words about Sen. Frank J. Lausche, a Democrat up for reelection, even though Lausche is no redhot New Frontiersman.



(R-G Photo by Wayne Eastburn)

One Dies

An Elkton man, Kenneth Donald Agee, 28, was killed and a companion, Robert E. Cavin, also 28 and of Elkton, was seriously injured Thursday night when their car smashed into a tractor-trailer rig on Highway 99 north of Cottage Grove. Agee was riding in the right front seat. The truck driver, Donovan Dameron of Winston, suffered a minor injury. (Story, Page One)

Testimony Challenged

Operator Refutes List of 'Idle' Mills

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Tacoma lumberman has challenged testimony that Canadian competition has caused many lumber mills to shut down in the Pacific Northwest.

Thalidomide Suit Asks \$2½ Million

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—A father filed a \$2½-million damage suit in U.S. District Court against two drug firms, charging that an 18-month-old son was born without arms as a result of the sedative drug thalidomide.

The child, Thomas David Diamond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dixon Diamond of suburban Rydel, also had other deformities at birth, the father said.

The suit, filed Thursday, contends that the William S. Merrell Co. and Richardson Merrell Inc., both with principal offices in Cincinnati, Ohio, "were careless and negligent in the manufacture, research and testing of the product known as Kevadon."

Keyadon is a trade name for thalidomide, a drug prescribed to induce sleep and calm nerves. Thalidomide is blamed for deformities in infants in Europe.

Damages of \$2,486,000 are sought on behalf of the boy and his parents.

The suit alleges the drug was administered on doctor's instructions in a clinic at Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 12, 1960, in the second month of pregnancy. The boy was born in suburban Abington Memorial Hospital April 6, 1961.

The Diamonds contend the drug caused their son's deformities.

C. Grove Man At Walter Reed

Capt. William M. Veatch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Veatch of 620 N. Ninth St., Cottage Grove, is now in advanced specialized training as a resident physician at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C.

Captain Veatch is a graduate of Cottage Grove High School, the University of Oregon Medical School in Portland. He entered the Army in June, 1961, after receiving his M.D. degree from the medical school, and completed his internship at Walter Reed in July. He is currently a resident in radiology.

Captain and Mrs. Veatch and their son are living in Takoma Park, Md.

BLM Advisors to Serve One-Year Appointments

WASHINGTON (AP)—Western members of the Bureau of Land Management's grazing district advisory boards will serve one-year appointments instead of three-year terms as before, the Interior Department announced Thursday.

The department said the change was being made to conform with a presidential memorandum and executive order of last February which requires that members of federal advisory boards be appointed annually on a fiscal year basis.

Manslaughter Verdict Returned in Portland

PORTLAND (AP)—A Circuit Court jury convicted Ralph F. Page, 48, Thursday of manslaughter in the fatal shooting of James Walters, 47, last June.

Walters was shot after he had taken Page's wife home from a tavern.

Page was charged with first-degree murder, but the jury brought in the lesser verdict after 24 hours' deliberation.

Judge Virgil Langtry ordered a pre-sentence investigation. A 15-year sentence is possible.

Society Girl Faces Charge Of Murder

BOSTON (AP)—Suzanne Clift, 21, Boston society girl, was held for a grand jury Friday on a charge of murdering the man she had talked of marrying—Piero Brentani, 27, Italian electronics engineer.

No plea was entered as her counsel, Frank Juggins, prominent criminal lawyer, waived examination.

Miss Clift displayed no emotion during the proceedings. Sgt. Det. Leo Gannon recited in a low voice to Judge George W. Roberts the circumstances of the finding of the nude body of Brentani, padlocked in the girl's apartment. He had been shot in the head.

Then the judge ordered her held without bail for the sitting of the Suffolk County grand jury which convenes the first Monday in November.

Det. Lt. Edward Sherry announced the booking of Miss Clift Thursday night.

Sherry said the girl was very calm, almost stoic, as she told her story. He said she gave no reason for the slaying.

Police said Miss Clift told them she shot Brentani early Monday in the room where he was found. She said she did not leave the house until Tuesday.

Trial of Sailors Set for Oct. 9

TOKYO (AP)—The trial of two U.S. sailors, postponed Monday because of the illness of a defense lawyer, has been rescheduled for Oct. 9.

Edgar Williams, 21, Scotts Mills, Ore., and Richard Lee Jackson, Kansas City, are charged with obstructing police duties in the fatal shooting of a Japanese policeman.

Three other U.S. sailors also face charges stemming from the night the policeman was beaten and later shot with his own gun.

Job Figures Show Two-Sided Picture

WASHINGTON (AP)—Total U.S. unemployment last month was the lowest in two years.

But the rate of joblessness remained at the high August level of 5.8 per cent and total employment declined.

These and other job figures reported Thursday by the Labor Department presented an alternately rosy and dour picture.

On the plus side:

- The 3,512,000 unemployed in September were 420,000 fewer than the number out of work in August. The September figure was the smallest since September 1960, just before the last recession.

- The number of job holders, 68,668,000, topped any previous September.

- The ranks of the hard-core unemployed — those without jobs for six months or longer — thinned by 100,000. Their number, a little below 500,000, was the lowest in two years.

- On the gloomy side:

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Hanna Chief Takes Stand

Company 'Proud' Of Performance

WASHINGTON (AP)—The president of George M. Humphrey's mining company insisted Friday that nickel dug by the firm for strategic stockpile was the cheapest ever purchased by the government.

The company official, W. A. Marting, head of Hanna Mining Company, said the firm was proud of its performance.

Marting issued a point-by-point denial of accusations leveled against Hanna and Humphrey, its controlling stockholder and former secretary. The denial was in a statement to Sen. Stuart Symington's stockpile investigation subcommittee.

Marting sought to rebut charges by Symington and other Democrats that Hanna took advantage of its nickel monopoly and the government's desperate need for supplies during the Korean War to exact exorbitant profits.

He testified after Symington read figures which, he said, showed that Hanna's nickel division, which handles the stockpile contract, grossed 135 per cent on cost and 419 per cent on invested capital of roughly \$3.6 million.

Symington made the statement during testimony by L. W. Spang, secretary of Hanna, who agreed to detail expenses paid by the company for a West Coast inspection trip by two government stockpile officials.

Spang has said that it never crossed his mind that paying the officials' expenses might influence their judgment.

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