

Air shuttle of POWs to Miami to start Monday

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WEATHER

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CRUMPLED METAL — Drivers luckily escaped serious injuries in three-car crash Friday night on S. Third Street Highway. This north-bound station wagon lost nearly all its windows and had right side demolished. Only facial cuts resulted from collision which brought drunk arrest for one motorist. Accident occurred near McKinley intersection.

Arrangement on exchange is announced

MIAMI (UPI) — A Havana-to-Miami air shuttle will begin delivering the 1,113 Cubans captured in last year's ill-fated invasion to nearby Homestead Airbase on Monday, the Cuban Families Committee said today.

Members of the committee telephoned James B. Donovan, negotiator in the prisoner exchange, in Havana this morning. The New York attorney confirmed earlier reports from Cuban government sources that the air-lift could not begin until Monday.

First announcements from U.S. sources said the prisoners would begin arriving Sunday, and preparations were being made here on that basis.

Donovan reported to the committee that all the prisoners had been notified of their impending release. He said he had been able to telephone the Isle of Pines prison and talk to one of the Pig's Bay invasion captives held there. Other prisoners are being held in jails near Havana.

Agreement Reached

Donovan had announced in Havana Friday night that Premier Fidel Castro agreed to exchange the captives for an estimated \$62 million worth of medicines, medical supplies and baby food.

The exact date on which the exchange will begin remained in some doubt. Donovan's official announcement said only that the prisoners would be set free "before Christmas."

In New York, Robert A. Morse, an associate of Donovan's in the ransom negotiations, said the attorney had told him by telephone that the first prisoners would be released Sunday. The American Red Cross announced the same date in Washington.

Havana Announces Date

Radio Havana, however, in its first announcement of the impending release of the prisoners, said early today they will be set free Monday.

The freighter African Pilot, under charter to the Red Cross, will carry the largest single shipment of goods to Cuba.

A fleet of air freighters, each capable of carrying 15 to 17 tons of supplies, will help to shift the mountain of supplies that has piled up here this week. More than 2,500 tons of goods has been sent in by plane, truck and train.

E. Roland Harriman, national chairman of the American Red Cross, which is organizing the shipments, praised the Americans who made the exchange possible.

"The successful conclusion of the Cuban prisoners' negotiations is a glowing example of how the people of this nation will overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles to help people in trouble and need," Harriman said.

Will Relieve Suffering

Harriman added that the supplies will "help relieve the suffering" of the people of shortage-plagued Cuba.

Refugee relatives of the prisoners here expressed joy at their release mingled with sadness for thousands of other political prisoners of the Castro regime for whom no such arrangement can be made.

"Thank God for the miracle he has wrought!" said Mrs. Jose Miro Cardona, wife of one of the principal Cuban refugee leaders and mother of one of the prisoners.

Mamuel A. de Varona, Castro's predecessor as premier, said he was "overcome with emotion" at the idea of once again seeing his son, his brother, a nephew and "many friends" among the prisoners.

First holiday victim claimed

By United Press International
Oregon recorded its first Christmas holiday traffic death Friday night.

The victim was Alice Thompson, 26, Eugene. She was killed in a one-car accident on U.S. Highway 20 14 miles west of Burns.

State police said her car went out of control and turned over after hitting ice on the highway. The accident occurred at 9:15 p.m.

The holiday weekend began at 6 p.m. Friday and ends at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday.

Kenneth Beach, 20, Dayton, died at a McMinnville hospital today from injuries suffered in a traffic accident Friday. He will not be included as a holiday fatality because the accident occurred at 2:45 p.m.

Skybolt missile ringing success in 900 mile test



GAVEL PRESENTED—Don Conner, left, retiring president of the Bend Chamber of Commerce, presents the new president, Gordon H. Randall, with gavel. Ceremony took place at Friday noon luncheon meeting of the chamber's board of directors.

Don Conner hands Chamber reins to Gordon H. Randall

Don Conner, outgoing Bend Chamber of Commerce president, handed over the gavel to 1963 President Gordon H. Randall at the weekly luncheon meeting of the chamber board on Friday.

Other new officers who will serve with Randall are: R. G. McFarland, first vice president; Harvey Watt, second vice president; and Maurice Shelton, treasurer.

History again repeats itself

It was a "repeat performance" when Don Conner handed the Chamber gavel to Gordon H. Randall on Friday.

The men agreed that there was something very familiar about the ceremony.

They recall that some ten years ago Randall succeeded Conner as president of the Bend Kiwanis Club. At that time The Bulletin printed a picture of the gavel exchange similar to the one appearing today.

These had been achieved. He said he was especially grateful for the work of the various committee chairmen who had served with him.

An attendance prize was awarded to Director Short, who, it was noted, had missed only one of the 24 board meetings held during the year.

Conner also read a letter from Hal Puddy, Bend city manager, in which he thanked the chamber for its support in the recent Portland Avenue bridge bond election. Puddy said that the sizable margin of victory was in large measure the result of the active support given by the chamber.

Before adjourning the meeting, Randall discussed briefly a few of his plans for the new year. It was decided to devote the next several meetings of the board to more detailed discussions of Chamber objectives for 1963.

Directors decided to meet next Friday noon.

Board members also approved closing of the Chamber office on the Mondays before Christmas and New Year's to give staff members bonus holidays in recognition for their work during the year.

WOLVES ATTACK VILLAGE
ISTANBUL (UPI) — A pack of hungry wolves attacked the village of Basibuyuk in eastern Turkey Friday, but police said it was driven off by residents who killed 34 of them. The wolves apparently became desperate because of a snowstorm.

Possible new fight to save weapon seen

CAPE CANAVERAL (UPI) — The U.S. Air Force today launched its controversial Skybolt missile from a high-flying jet bomber and scored a ringing success that may have paved the way for a congressional fight to save the program from extinction.

The five-ton missile, which President Kennedy is bidding to kill as a major weapons system, roared 900 miles across the Atlantic Ocean today to its first success.

The Air Force, in a masterpiece of understatement, said little more than that the Skybolt "completed a successful test flight today."

The missile went to the firing line under the wing of a B-52 bomber flown out of Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

The four-engine jet shot past Cape Canaveral at better than 400 miles per hour and dropped the 30-foot Skybolt from an altitude of more than 40,000 feet at 9:15 a.m. EST.

White Vapor Trail
Less than five seconds later the missile's solid-fueled engines roared into life and shot toward the brink of space ahead of a brilliant white vapor trail.

The two-stage missile gained its first success after five failures—the record that played a part in the Kennedy administration's decision to condemn the air-launched missile as too costly and complex.

The shot was delayed twice earlier this week on orders from Washington while President Kennedy and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan met in Nassau, Bahamas, to debate the future of Skybolt.

The test today was viewed in some quarters as the opening shot in a powerful behind-the-scenes move to save Skybolt from extinction by carrying the fight, if necessary, before Congress when it reconvenes next month.

LONDON (UPI) — A Defense Ministry source said today he believed the American-made Skybolt missile was still "out" as far as the ministry was concerned despite the first successful test-firing of the air-to-surface weapon at Cape Canaveral.

"As far as the Ministry is concerned, we suppose the Skybolt is out," the source said.

Defense Minister Peter Thorneycroft returned from the Nassau talks earlier in the day and said the new U.S.-British nuclear agreement is "very advantageous... a first-class arrangement."

British newspapers, denounced the agreement as "nuclear folly," "sell-out" or "surrender."

"I don't apologize for this arrangement at all," Thorneycroft told newsmen at London airport. "I think it is a first-class arrangement, both for Britain and the western alliance. I am prepared to defend it in every particular."

The Defense Minister said the plan for joint Anglo-American control of nuclear weapons and means of delivery was Britain's idea.

Incoming mail here drops off

There was a considerable drop in incoming mail today as Bend Post Office personnel marked as virtually ended the Christmas season of 1962.

However, good-sized shipments of incoming mail are expected this evening from Portland, and also tomorrow morning. Christmas parcel post mail will be delivered tomorrow, Sunday.

Post Office mailing windows remained open this afternoon, for the convenience of patrons.

Man arrested following 3-car collision here

A three-car accident on the S. Third Highway Friday night resulted in two badly damaged cars and the arrest of one motorist on a drunk charge.

Cited for driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor was Harold Gene Urban, 27, of 224 Davis. Witnesses said his southbound pickup truck sideswiped the car ahead of him, then veered across the highway and crashed into an oncoming station wagon.

Drivers of the two cars most severely damaged suffered only facial cuts and refused hospital treatment, police said.

Leland C. Landers of 1110 Union helped officers reconstruct the accident. Landers said he was traveling in the left lane in advance of Urban and was slowing for a left turn when the Urban car moved up on his left and struck a glancing blow. Urban then veered far over in the opposite lanes and slammed into the left side of the oncoming station wagon driven by Michael Kell Sesock of Star Route, Highway 97. The cars came to rest in the center of the highway just north of the McKinley intersection.

Officers noted the force of impact needed off the outer shell of Sesock's right front door and welded it to the center of the car. Nearly all of the station wagon windows were smashed and the right side was crumpled like paper. One front wheel was torn completely off the pickup truck.

DIVORCE SOUGHT

PORTLAND (UPI)—Rep. Edith Green, D-Ore., filed for divorce from her husband, Arthur, in Multnomah County Circuit Court here Friday.

Holiday for some

Virtually all stores open here on Monday

Bend on Monday, December 24, will observe a sort of semi-holiday—a day sandwiched between Sunday and Christmas day.

However, in downtown Bend, virtually all stores will be open, as will other service institutions, including the First National and U.S. National Banks and Equitable Savings & Loan.

To provide service on the Christmas Eve holiday, the Post Office will also be open, with deliveries of yule packages to be made on schedule. There will also be deliveries on Christmas day.

Brooks-Scanlon operations will be closed on Monday, and work in the woods will be down for the entire Christmas week.

Around town, many offices, in-

cluding those of most of the insurance companies, will be closed Monday.

In keeping with a presidential order, all federal offices, with the exception of the Post Office, will be closed for the long holiday—Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Actually, the holiday started today for most of those concerned.

In the Oregon State Highway Department building just north of town, most state offices will be open Monday, with limited staffs in charge.

All Oregon State Police will be on duty for one of their most critical weekends of the season.

The long holiday for Deschutes National Forest Service personnel started today.

Bend TV Cable sale announced by purchasers

Bend Community Antenna Co., a group of investors including Edward M. Thurston of Bend and others in Eugene and Toledo, today announced the purchase of Bend TV Cable, Inc. Exact amount of the consideration was not disclosed, except that it is in excess of half a million dollars.

Ray F. Siegenthaler, president of the new group, was one of the organizers of Abar TV Company in Eugene, which was begun in 1955 and sold in 1960 to TelePrompTer Corporation. William D. Elkins, another Abar founder, will be available to Bend TV Cable as technical consultant.

Siegenthaler and Elkins have been in partnership for 10 years. They are also major owners of TV systems in Toledo and Newport.

The organization is composed of 10 stockholders, three of them partnerships. Identity of the stockholders was not disclosed.

The Bend TV Cable, established seven years ago, is the fifth largest in the state. Former owners are J. Everett Rambo, George W. McCormack, Lloyd E. Robidoux, Dr. George M. Blinn, Fred I. Hartmann, Dr. J. C. Vandevort and A. E. Schuman.

Rambo, McCormack and Hartmann have served at various times as president. Robidoux served as secretary and Blinn as treasurer since the company was founded.

No changes in personnel are contemplated, according to the new group. However, an engineering study has already been started, to determine the best way to improve the local service. Abar was the first large cable system to use five adjacent channels. Seven years of experience in delivering good five-channel service will therefore be concentrated on improving the pictures here, Siegenthaler said.

Elkins indicated that the cable system is well constructed, but that about 15,000 feet of old feeder line has deteriorated to the point that it should be replaced. About 90 amplifiers will be replaced over the next several months, with ones that are better adapted to carrying five adjacent channels.

Soviets launch new 'Cosmos'

MOSCOW (UPI) — The Soviet Union today launched the 12th in a series of unmanned "Cosmos" satellites designed to prepare the way for further space flights by men, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Tass said the satellite, named "Cosmos XII," was sending telemetric data back to earth and that all its equipment was "working normally."

The "Cosmos" series is designed to explore the hazards of radiation in outer space, the effects of meteor particles on space ships and other problems of manned flight.

Freeman appeal to high court may hinge on Hatfield reaction to plea

SALEM (UPI) — An appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court on behalf of condemned child slayer Jeannette June Freeman may depend on how Gov. Mark Hatfield reacts to her plea for commutation to life imprisonment, United Press International learned today.

It also was learned the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) would not take her case to the high court.

Miss Freeman, 21, is scheduled to die in the gas chamber Jan. 29. She was convicted of throwing a six-year-old boy to his death in the Crooked River Gorge last year.

The governor's office announced Dec. 8 that Miss Freeman was going to formally ask Hatfield to commute her death sentence.

Appeal to the high court probably would be delayed pending a decision on commutation by Hatfield.

Hatfield was not available for comment.

However, his office said Hatfield had indicated earlier he would take no action as long as an appeal were possible or pending.

Loren Hicks, Hatfield's legal counsel, pointed out the stay of Miss Freeman's execution date from Dec. 6 to Jan. 29 was granted to provide time for an appeal.

ACLU Not Involved
Holmes told UPI "I definitely know the ACLU does not plan to appeal the case."

Holmes said "an appeal might be announced after the first of the year, but I have nothing definite to say at this time."

Hicks had talked with Portland attorney Carl Niel about the Freeman case, and said "Niel became quite interested."

Niel told UPI the ACLU was not now involved. "They feel her case is being adequately handled, and there is no need for them to get into it because she does have a good attorney."

Niel also mentioned that Salem attorney Steve Anderson had checked the transcript of the case for the ACLU.

Niel explained that many attorneys who were active in the ACLU had become interested in the case, and were still studying it although the ACLU planned no action.

He said "A Portland attorney is looking over the matter now, but no decision (whether to appeal) has yet been announced."

Niel said "nobody wants to base an appeal on frivolous grounds. We certainly don't want to prolong the agony" for Miss Freeman.

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