



JAYCEE SELECTED—Dallas Merchant, right, was named as Jaycee of the Month for August by the Bend Junior Chamber of Commerce. Presenting Merchant with his award is Jack Davis, member of the Organization's board of directors. Merchant was in charge of the program of installing auto seat belts. During a three year period, over 600 belts have been sold to Central Oregonians.

Police use tear gas, cattle prods to break up Negro march on white high school

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PLAQUEMINE, La. (UPI)—Student leaders promised a large boycott of a Negro high school today. Police braced for more of the racial outbreaks they broke up Wednesday with tear gas and electric cattle prods.

A "freedom rally" was planned today in DuPont Annex, a Negro suburb.

A small, determined group of Negro students organized a series of marches on a white high school

Bud Wilkinson mum on plans

NORMAN, Okla. (UPI)—Oklahoma football coach Bud Wilkinson has refused to confirm or deny a copyrighted newspaper story that he will retire Jan. 1 and seek the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate.

A Tulsa newspaper, the Tribune, said Wednesday it had learned from "unimpeachable sources" that Wilkinson, a Democrat, would resign Jan. 1, switch party affiliation and file for the U.S. Senate as a Republican in February.

When asked about the report, Wilkinson, 47, whose top-ranked Sooners meet Texas in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas Saturday, said, "I think it is foolish to waste time in this manner, especially when we are getting ready to play Texas. It is unfortunate this keeps coming up."

"If I did reply it would be the same thing I have said all along," he said. "All I can say is no comment. It is ridiculous to reply. I don't know who keeps putting these things out. It's disturbing to the football team."

SET UP PROGRAM

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A program to train more Negroes and other minority groups for U.S. diplomatic jobs was unveiled Wednesday by the Ford Foundation and Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

The foundation will make a \$600,000 grant to Howard University here to set up 100 foreign affairs fellowships over the next four years. Recipients will study at graduate schools throughout the nation.

Wednesday and were routed by police.

A state district court judge was expected to rule today on whether to turn a restraining order banning demonstrations by the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) into an injunction. CORE has maintained it is not participating in the current outbreaks.

Negroes met in a run-down school building in a Negro section just outside of town Wednesday night to discuss ways of gaining concessions on their demands for an end to racial segregation in Iberville Parish (County).

During the meeting, a brick was thrown into the rear fender of a sheriff's department patrol car. The car did not stop. Police stood by, but took no action.

A Negro leader said Wednesday he filed a "police brutality" com-

plaint with the FBI and asked Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy to intervene.

Police Chief Dennis Songy denied any brutality on the part of police, but he warned he would "tear down" Freedom Rock Baptist Church if Negroes continued "to use it as a fort."

The church was the rallying point for demonstrators Wednesday. About 75 students met there, then marched on the white Plaquemine High School. They apparently intended to repeat Monday's sit-ins on the school steps.

The students set out for the school in groups of ten. The first group was met by police and an unidentified white coach. The coach physically blocked the Negroes' entry, but police had to use tear gas to disperse them.

Two more groups marched on

the school and were turned away by police tear gas grenades.

Elswhere in the nation:

Birmingham, Ala.: Mayor Albert Boutwell and the City Council Wednesday night rejected an ultimatum by Negro leaders that desegregation demands be met or racial demonstrations would be resumed.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and other Negro leaders had demanded that Birmingham hire 25 Negro policemen and begin talks aimed at upgrading other city jobs for Negroes. Negro leaders had said that rejection of the demands would bring immediate massive demonstrations.

Albany, Ga.: More government witnesses were to testify today in the trial of civil rights leader W. G. Anderson on a federal charge of conspiring to obstruct

justice by leading a boycott against a white grocer who served on a federal jury.

Greenville, S. C.: Furman University, founded by a Baptist leader who believed God favored slavery, has become the first private college in South Carolina to drop its color barrier. The board of trustees has adopted a resolution that "all qualified applicants" for admission be considered.

Greensboro, N.C.: City officials were taken to task Wednesday by an integration leader for refusing the Ku Klux Klan the right to use the city's War Memorial Coliseum for a southeastern rally Dec. 14. William Thomas, local president of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), said the Klan had the same "right to speak and assemble" as any American.

Cubans defiant despite damage left by hurricane

MIAMI (UPI)—While volunteers searched for bodies in the silt and rubble-filled towns of eastern Cuba, the Fidel Castro government warned Wednesday that any rebel attack on the hurricane-torn island would be wiped out "from the first to the last" man.

The Communist newspaper Hoy—the official government organ—warned that Hurricane Flora had not weakened Cuba's defense capabilities and exile "assassins, torturers, playboys and thieves," had better take heed.

"Certainly the hurricane damage has been tremendous, certainly no one remembers a hurricane that has been so terribly long and so erratic—but Cuba is neither trembling nor suffering any irreparable damage," Hoy said.

The article did not give any estimate on the number killed by Flora, which lashed the island for four days, but radio reports monitored here indicated the toll may run into the thousands.

Declined American Help

However, a statement issued by the Cuban government told the people to disregard "unfounded rumors about the casualty total."

At the same time, the government released its first casualty list and said more would follow as victims are identified. The first list contained the names of 33 dead, including eight in one family. Six of the eight were children.

The evening newspaper La Jirde reported eight persons, including a 6-year-old boy, drowned at Manzanillo. It was not known if the eight are included in the casualty list.

The Cuban Red Cross, acting

on Castro's orders, has declined help from the American Red Cross calling the offer "hypocritical."

According to a Havana Radio broadcast, the message to the American Red Cross rejected the offer for help "from those who permanently seek to inflict misery and ruin on the Cuban nation with their blockades and attacks."

In another radio message, however, Havana reported that the government had thanked the League of Societies of the Red Cross in Geneva, Switzerland, for its offer of foodstuffs and medicines.

The Miami Weather Bureau said the damage in Cuba would probably amount to "several hundred millions of dollars."

One radio transmission, sent from hard-hit Oriente Province, expressed fear that 4,000 persons may have lost their lives in flood waters around the foothills of the

Sierra Crystal Mountains alone.

Touring Oriente Province

Castro and other top Cuban officials, including President Osvaldo Dorticos, Industry Minister Ernesto (Che) Guevara, and Communist agrarian reform chief, Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, were touring Oriente.

Most of the economic damage is said to have been done in Oriente and Camaguey Provinces, where half of the island's supply of food is grown. The area is known for coffee, sugar, vegetables, livestock and cotton.

A government transmission by Capt. Jorge Risquet to Castro expressed fear that about 4,000 workers—mostly young volunteers—had died in the mountains apparently while trying to save the coffee crop from ruin.

Premiums sent prize winners

Special to The Bulletin

PRINEVILLE—Premiums given for prize-winning exhibits at the Crook County Fair were mailed this week, in the total amount of \$6,342, according to Ivan Chappell, fair manager.

More than 600 persons entered exhibits in the 1963 county fair, Chappell said, and the largest number of entries by a single person was 21. In addition, school rooms throughout the county entered exhibits, and a large number of persons took part in the horse events.

In addition to premiums paid out this week, expenses of the fair were, among the larger items, \$3,075 for lease of grounds from the Crooked River Roundup board, \$4,241 wages paid to employees, and \$3,641 for building construction, repairs and maintenance.

Each year, the Crook County Fair receives about \$20,000 from parimutuel funds paid to the state for distribution to county fairs.

Dates for the 1964 Crook County Fair have been set for August 27-29, according to the fair board. One extra day has been added to the fair calendar to provide additional time for judging livestock in the evening.

Members of the fair board are Frank McCullough, president; Don Snabel, secretary; Raymond Guthrie, board member, and Chappell, manager.

MACHINE AGE

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J. (UPI)—Toll collection machines, it seems, are collecting more money than human toll collectors.

New Jersey Turnpike toll director, John P. Leher has advised turnpike officials that motorists rushed by honking horns while fishing for the 15-cent toll charge—have been dropping quarters into the new automatic coin hoppers.

Approval given on placement

OMAHA, Neb. (UPI)—Juvenile Judge Seward Hart Wednesday ruled two youngsters who were sent here by bus from Oregon to try to get into Boys Town could be placed in the institution.

Hart ruled Daniel Pressnell, 12, and his brother, Ronald, 10, were neglected and dependent.

The boys arrived here Sept. 19 from Salem, Ore., with 86 cents and a note from their mother, Mrs. Betty Hackworth. She said she was ill and unable to care for the youngsters and hoped they could be accepted by Boys Town.

After taking testimony at a hearing in Douglas County Juvenile Court, Hart ruled that Boys Town would be "by far the best place for the boys."

They originally were kept at the Douglas County Youth Center, but were transferred to Boys Town on a temporary basis a week ago.

Robert Haney, the court-appointed attorney who represented the boys, said Oregon authorities assured him they would not seek to have the boys returned if they were placed in Boys Town.

Mrs. Hackworth and the boys' stepfather wrote Msgr. Nicholas Wegener, director of Boys Town, that they would be grateful if the boys could be cared for at the world-famous institution.

The boys, who testified at Wednesday's hearing, said they "like it real well" at Boys Town.

SING IT?

NEW YORK (UPI)—Joan Whitney Payson, owner of the New York Mets baseball team Wednesday night asked comedian Joe E. Lewis to do her a favor. "I'd like for you to sing the Star Spangled Banner at the opening of our new Mets stadium next April," Mrs. Payson said jokingly after watching Lewis' show at a night club.

"Sing it?" Lewis said. "I'm lucky if I can say it."

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