



SKI JUMPERS' DELIGHT—Daredevil jumpers will find the old Skyliner ski jump west of town a test of the first magnitude this weekend when Bend and environs host the 8th Annual Portland State College Winter Carnival. Bob Johnson, right, COC athletic director and former Olympian, takes a last-minute look at the hill's landing surface. Ski action started today. Jumping runs tomorrow, starting at 2 p.m. Queen crowning is late tonight. (Photo by Nathan Bull).

Hassle develops over films of stricken British ship

NEW YORK (UPI) — United Press International made its exclusive pictures and newsfilm available to the Associated Press and television networks under protest Thursday after being threatened with a restraining order which would have prevented UPI's distribution of the material.

The pictures and newsfilm showed the stricken British freighter Ambassador at sea during rescue efforts. They were made by a "stringer," a non-staff cameraman, hired by UPI for the assignment and dispatched from Montreal to Halifax where he boarded a Coast Guard plane.

When UPI learned that a Coast Guard plane was expected to touch down in Halifax early Wednesday morning, the Montreal cameraman was sent to Halifax and arrangements made with the Coast Guard for him to board the plane. Before he was permitted to board, he was required by Coast Guard officers in Halifax to sign an agreement to pool his product. He signed without knowledge of UPI headquarters.

When the cameraman's film reached New York Thursday, UPI refused a Coast Guard request to pool the film on the ground that the "stringer" cameraman was the only newsman on the scene ready to fly on the story, that there was room aboard the plane for representatives of other media had they arranged or desired to be there, that the "stringer" cameraman was not authorized to sign any such agreement, and that the agreement was contrary to customary policy in such cases.

At approximately 2 p.m. EST, just before the time set for a hearing on an order to show cause why UPI should not be restrained from using the film, an order which had been prepared by Asst. U.S. Attorney Eugene Anderson, UPI for the first time reached the cameraman by telephone after he returned from Halifax from a second flight. He confirmed that he had signed an agreement to pool.

UPI then decided to release the pictures and film to competing services, but under protest.

Upon learning that UPI was releasing the film for pool distribution, Anderson did not file the order and no hearing was held.

At a conference later in the afternoon in Anderson's office attended by Coast Guard and UPI representatives, UPI said that although it had agreed to release this particular film for pooling, it was doing so without prejudice to its position that media not represented at the scene when government facilities are used are not entitled to access to material gathered and produced by media representatives who are there.

Speech canceled

PORTLAND (UPI)— Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey, D-Minn., has canceled a scheduled appearance at the Democratic Party State Platform banquet Feb. 29 in Corvallis.

Humphrey said his appointment as floor manager of the Administration's Civil Rights bill would prevent his coming to Oregon.

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Fulbright sees need to bolster S. Vietnamese

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. J. William Fulbright, D-Ark., said today the United States should do what it could to bolster the new regime in South Viet Nam before considering any long-range plans for Southeast Asia.

Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, told a reporter the main hope for the latest Saigon regime lay in full support and encouragement from the United States.

Otherwise, he said, it would have little incentive to try to bring stability and order to the war-torn nation.

Fulbright declined to comment on Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield's proposal for full consideration of neutralization as an eventual solution in Viet Nam. He left little doubt he regarded neutralization as no solution for the present problem.

Mansfield's proposal touched off an airing of the Vietnamese situation in Senate debate.

It drew fire from Senate GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen, Ill., and Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., Thursday. Mansfield replied that he was not advocating neutralization but said, "we should at least consider the proposal."

Mansfield, in a speech Wednesday, said the neutralization proposal of French President Charles de Gaulle should not be rejected out of hand.

He said De Gaulle's plan should be considered as a possible "new approach" to the over-all problem. Mansfield also suggested the United States think about the possibility of withdrawing its forces from South Viet Nam.

Dirksen told a news conference that neutralization had produced a "litter experience" in Laos and a "kick in the face" for the United States in Cambodia.

Javits told the Senate: "The American people back what is being done in South Viet Nam — they are not in any mood to back away. If they are, they should not be. We are taking casualties, but the alternatives are far more dire."

School in Milwaukee held paralyzed by boy with gun

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (UPI) — The footsteps clicked down the long, steele quiet corridors of Audubon Junior High School. Occasionally they stopped in front of a door. Then they moved on again.

It was one of the longest hours of Principal Phillip H. Geil's 63 years as he matched step for step with an angry young man waving a shotgun.

And during the whole trek of terror, Geil placed himself between the young man and the classrooms to protect the children inside.

For that hour the entire school was paralyzed, class bells turned off, doors locked, halls echoing to the footsteps of just eight men as Robert Reisz, 18, Milwaukee, held the principal and six policemen at bay.

Demands Girl's Release

The terror began when Reisz walked into the principal's office with the gun and demanded that his 15-year-old girl friend be released from class so he could "drive her to California."

Geil refused. The youth leveled the shotgun at him and ordered him into the corridor out.

Oliver's case to be reviewed

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (UPI)—The University of Illinois Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure apparently will review the case of classicist Revilo P. Oliver, who said the late President John F. Kennedy was involved in a Communist conspiracy.

University President David D. Henry made the request of the committee because he said Oliver had written "on a subject beyond his university responsibility, as a private citizen, for a non-university journal."

Oliver, a national officer of the John Birch Society and a long-time faculty member here, expressed his views in "American Opinion," a John Birch publication.

Oliver said Kennedy was working with the Communists on a timetable to take over the United States. He said Kennedy was assassinated because he fell behind the timetable.

The board of trustees of the university asked Henry for a statement about Oliver's article which it said had resulted in a "nationwide reaction."

Henry said earlier he believed Oliver was within his rights as a private citizen in making the statements.

Wednesday, Henry said Oliver's article "raised questions as to whether he had complied with the expectations for professional responsibility."

Sen. Kennedy doesn't believe LBJ is shoo-in

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Edward M. (Ted) Kennedy, D-Mass., disagrees with many prominent Democrats who feel President Johnson is a shoo-in for election. He believes Johnson will win, but not without a fight.

Cautioning against optimism by his party, Kennedy said today there will be a "very strenuous, a hard campaign" regardless of whom the Republicans nominate to oppose Johnson.

Some Democrats have predicted that Johnson will win handily over any GOP contender. They include Senate Democratic Whip Hubert Humphrey, Minn., and Sens. Wayne Morse, Ore., Harrison Williams, N.J., and Abraham A. Ribicoff, Conn.

Sen. Kennedy, youngest brother of the late president, celebrates his 32nd birthday Saturday—George Washington's Birthday. He is up for re-election this year but observers doubt he will have any trouble holding on to his Senate seat.

Asked if he agreed with fellow Democrats — like Ribicoff who said Johnson would win an "overwhelming victory"—Kennedy said only that he was "hopeful about the outcome."

"I feel the Democrats will be successful," he said.

Without venturing a guess on the name of the GOP nominee, Kennedy said "There never is an easy Republican candidate and any Democrat should assume that."

The senator maintained the same hard-nosed attitude toward elections as his older brother did, an outlook which carried the late President into each campaign "running scared."

Kennedy was asked how he felt about the possibility his brother, Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy, might be the vice presidential nominee on the Democratic ticket.

"Bob's whole life has been devoted to public service as the President's was," Kennedy said. "He wants to continue to be active in public life, serve the party and carry out the ideals of the President in any way that will be helpful."

Whether this would entail appointive or elective office, he said, "only time will tell."

DECIDES TO RETIRE

PORTLAND (UPI)—Dr. Earl Smith, 81, Multnomah County coroner, has decided not to seek re-election.

He said in a letter to Multnomah County registrar John Weldon Wednesday that he had decided to drop out of the May primary for health reasons.

Pastor to wear Beatle wig

GLENDALE, Calif. (UPI) — The influence of the Beatles is affecting the format of at least one church service this Sunday.

The weekly bulletin of the First Baptist Church of Glendale announces that Pastor J. Whitcomb Brougher's Sunday evening sermon topic will be "Following the Beatles"—and he will wear a Beatle wig.