

President Considers Special Session To Deal With Food Prices



BURNT OUT — J. B. Kelley, 63-year-old Molena, Ga., farmer, stands with his mule in the middle of his drought-stricken cornfield and looks in vain for rain. "This is the first time in 50 years that I failed to raise corn," said Kelley. Seven additional states may be added to the drought disaster area already touching 10 states in the South and New England.

2 Drought-Hit States To Get \$3,000,000

Washington — (U.P.) — President Truman Thursday allotted \$3,000,000 in emergency funds to provide feed for dairy and beef herds in drought-stricken Kentucky and Tennessee. Both states previously had been declared disaster areas.

Mr. Truman told a news conference the relief program will be handled by the Housing and Home Finance agency and the Department of Agriculture. He said Tennessee and Kentucky have been the hardest hit but "as other states ask for help, they will get immediate consideration."

The President said he acted at the request of Govs. Lawrence Wetherby of Kentucky and Gordon Browning of Tennessee.

Mr. Truman in a statement said "the federal government is going to do everything it can to help the farmers in those areas."

He said "the Department of Agriculture, under its own authority, has already recognized disaster conditions in 10 states and is offering credit and other assistance."

Burned up pastures and scorched hay crops have put a premium on feed and threaten ruinous livestock losses in Tennessee and Kentucky.

Governor Won't Move To Save Wayne Long

Salem — (U.P.) — Gov. Douglas McKay said Thursday he would not exercise his executive powers to save Wayne LeRoy Long from the gas chamber at 7 a.m. (PST) Friday for the slaying of Walter Lane Rucker, Portland.

The governor's statement was issued from Neskevin, where he is vacationing.

Earlier, Dale Jacobs, one of Long's attorneys, had said he would ask the governor to stay the execution so he could get more time to prepare an appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court. The governor said he understood Jacobs was going to Neskevin to see him. "The answer is no," he said. "The law will take its course."

Valley Servicemen On Army Rotation

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Forty-six Oregonians were among Army rotation personnel who arrived at San Francisco Wednesday from the Far East aboard the transport William Black.

Included were: Pfc. Earl W. Barlow, 1065 Elendale drive, Medford; M/Sgt. Raymond C. Frantz, route 1, box 353, Gold Hill; Sgt. George R. Simon, route 1, box 63, Central Point; and Cpl. William F. Wiemers, route 4, box 585, Grants Pass.

Conservation District Election Set Tomorrow

An election will be held tomorrow to decide if the northwest corner of Jackson county will be included in the Sams Valley-Beagle soil conservation district, according to Agricultural Agent W. B. Tucker.

The property owners will vote between noon and 8 p.m. at the Enterprise Grange hall in Wimer, the Live Oak Grange hall in Rogue River and the VFW hall in Shady Cove. Everyone eligible to vote has already been sent ballots, Tucker said.

Portland — (U.P.) — The FBI announced Thursday that Harley G. Olson, 29, assistant cashier, had been jailed at St. Helens after admitting embezzlement of \$16,000 from the State Bank at Rainier, Ore.

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Weather
FORECAST: Continued fair through Friday. Little temperature change. Low tonight 58. High Friday 95.
Highest Yesterday 84
Lowest this Morning 56

GREEKS SHELL BULGARIAN REDS

ATTEMPT TO REGAIN POSSESSION OF ISLAND

Athens, Greece — (U.P.) — The Greek general staff announced Thursday night that Bulgarian Reds evacuated the disputed island of Gamma in the Evros river after undergoing several hours of concentrated shelling.

A communique said the Bulgarians withdrew Thursday evening. Earlier, Greek observers reported seeing Bulgarians leaving the island and crossing to their own side of the river as Greek troops kept up a rain of mortar shells. The fire was not returned by the Bulgarians.

Athens, Greece — (U.P.) — The Greek Army shelled disputed Gamma Island in the Evros river Thursday in an attempt to drive off Bulgarian Reds who seized it July 23.

Press reports said Greek mortars started fires which shrouded the island in smoke.



CONVICTED COMMUNISTS—Fourteen California Communist leaders wait in the U. S. marshal's office in Los Angeles for return to jail after they were convicted of plotting to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the United States government. Front row, left to right: Dorothy Healey, Rose Kuznitz, Frank Carlson, Oleta Yates, Ben Dobbs and Loretta Stack. Back row: Henry Steinberg, Al Richman, Ernest Fox, Philip Connelly, William Schneiderman, Albert Lima, Carl Lambert and Frank Spector.

British Cabinet Studies Possible Red Coup in Iran

London — (U.P.) — Prime Minister Winston Churchill convened a special cabinet meeting Thursday to discuss the "very grim" prospects of a Communist coup in Iran.

Britain was reported preparing new proposals for a settlement of the Anglo-Iranian oil dispute in an attempt to keep Iran from falling to the Reds.

Situation Grim

"The latest reports from Tehran indicate the situation is becoming very grim," a foreign office spokesman said.

The spokesman said reports from Tehran by British and American officials coincided and anxiety was mounting in both countries.

Although other pressing subjects also were on the agenda, "alarming reports" from Iran were understood to be the main reason for the session.

Miles Boy's Death Caused by Polio

Lawrence Ray Miles, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Miles, 605 Highland Drive, Medford, died Monday in Los Angeles of acute polio, according to word from Los Angeles health authorities. The remains are being returned to Medford for interment.

The deceased was born Sept. 19, 1940, in Medford, and had lived here all his life. He attended the Roosevelt school, and would have been in Junior High school this fall. He was in Los Angeles at the time of his death attending the National model airplane contest, the only entry from Medford. He flew his plane on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, winning first place in the "B" Class Junior Free Flight event.

He is survived by his parents, a brother, Lloyd M., his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Miles, Springfield, Ore., and his maternal grandparents, Dr. R. P. Mortensen and Mrs. Mabel E. Wright, Medford.

Funeral services will be private, with the Rev. George R. V. Bolster, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal church, officiating. The family requests that no flowers be sent, but that instead a contribution be made to the Jackson county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, in care of Harry Chipman, 155 Highland drive, or to the John Mann Memorial, Community hospital. The family will be in seclusion until the first of the week.

Refusal of UN Probe Brings Red Warning

Panmunjom, Korea — (U.P.) — Communist propagandists warned Thursday that the refusal of the United Nations to investigate an alleged Allied shelling of Panmunjom was a "serious violation" of the agreement to keep the truce village a neutral zone.

The Communists seemed intent on making an issue of the shelling, which they said took place last Saturday. Four pieces of shrapnel were found.

Communist and United Nations security officers made an on-the-spot check, but the UN turned down Red demands for a formal joint investigation on the ground there was no evidence the shell fragments came from UN guns.

Savage Rapids Dam Work Planned in 1953

Washington — (U.P.) — The office of Sen. Guy Cordon, R-Ore., said Thursday the Bureau of Reclamation hoped to start in the fall of 1953 rehabilitation work on Savage Rapids dam south of Grants Pass, Ore.

Designs for the rehabilitated dam are expected to be completed by May 15, 1953, with contract-letting about six weeks later, according to Robert Parkman, Cordon's administrative assistant. Parkman said the bureau hoped to complete the work before the 1954 irrigation year.

Local Derby Winner To Compete Sunday

Richard Reeves, Grants Pass, winner of the Rogue Valley Soap Box Derby held here July 13, will compete in the National Soap Box Derby in Akron, O., for the first time on Sunday, according to a telegram received from Jimmy Dunlevy, Dunlevy, chairman of the local derby, accompanied the 15-year-old boy to the national derby.

The local winner will compete in the sixth heat Monday against winners from Logansport, Ind., and Ottawa, Ill.

Stevenson-Ike Debates Proposed

Springfield, Ill. — (U.P.) — Sen. Blair Moody of Michigan proposed Thursday that the Republican and Democratic presidential nominees appear together before television cameras to debate campaign issues this fall.

He reported he had made the suggestion during conferences with Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois, the Democratic nominee, in an overnight stop at the Illinois executive mansion. Moody said he had in mind a series of one-hour debates.

Moody, who won the Michigan Democratic senatorial primary this week, said Stevenson appeared "interested but he did not react definitely." He had no idea how Dwight D. Eisenhower, the GOP nominee, might react.

The Michigan senator said he also had invited Stevenson, on behalf of Gov. G. Mennen Williams, to speak in Detroit and nearby Michigan communities on Labor Day next month. He said Stevenson was seriously considering the invitation.

Moody, Sen. Richard B. Russell of Georgia and Mutual S.

Bloodmobile Visit Set for August 13

Appointments are now being accepted from blood donors for the Wednesday, August 13, visit here of the bloodmobile, officials of the Jackson county blood collection program reported today.

The mobile collection unit is scheduled to be at the Medford Elk's club, Fifth street and Riverside avenue, from 1 to 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Collection officials pointed out that, because those who donated blood just four weeks ago will not be able to donate again, it is hoped that they will send new donors to take their places.

The response to the July collection was "good," they stated, but because of many people now on vacation, it may be more difficult to reach the August quota.

Persons desiring to make appointments may do so by calling Medford 3-3813. The Red Cross Motor corps will furnish transportation for persons requesting it.

Pendleton — (U.P.) — Jerome Steiner, 41, co-owner of a taxi company here, died of suffocation in a fire at his home Wednesday, Coroner J. A. Folson reported.

Medford CAP Cadet Arrives in England

Cadet Albert R. Eaton Jr., son of Mrs. Mildred C. Eaton, 626 Park Place 5, has arrived at Driffield Air Force Base, Scarborough, England, according to United Press. He is touring England as an honor cadet in the Civil Air Patrol's 1952 international cadet exchange program.

The eighteen-year-old cadet is representing the Oregon wing of the Civil Air Patrol in the "good will" aerial tour. He has just completed his junior year at Medford high school.

Cadet Eaton is one of a group of 50 youths from the United States included in this exchange program. He and Cadet Roger K. Menzies, Portland, were chosen to represent the Oregon wing. Last year James Merritt, then a Medford high school student, was chosen for the exchange program and visited Denmark.

Medford Boy Winner In Model Competition

Detroit, Mich. — Jon W. Cooper, route 3, Medford, today was named winner of an honorable mention award in the senior division of the Fisher Body Craftsman's Guild model car competition.

With three other Oregon youths in the senior division, who won similar awards, he received a model builder's tool chest.

Announcement of the state and regional winners throughout the nation was made today in Detroit, where judging has been in progress for three weeks. In addition to the tool chests, cash awards totaling \$750 went to seven Oregon winners.

There were two duplicate winners in the state. Guild regulations provide that when a General Motors son wins, duplicate awards be given.

Bad Check Reported To Medford Police

The Bohemian club, 10 South Fir street, told the police Friday that a worthless check for \$63.22 had been cashed there.

The check was signed "Valley Creamery" and taken from a Grants Pass bank. Police said there is no "Valley Creamery" in this area.

The bad check was reported by Thomas A. Dwyer, 913 Winchester avenue.

Spinster Tries Six Weeks To Return Sister To Life

Detroit — (U.P.) — An elderly spinster kept her sister's body at home for six weeks in hopes of bringing her back to life, police disclosed Thursday.

Miss Mattie Buck, 67, told Detective Lt. Lawrence Eastman Wednesday she had washed the body daily and tried to revive it with spoonfuls of coffee.

Witchcraft Cancer Blamed

"My sister died of witchcraft cancer, but my prayers will bring her back to life," Miss Buck, a self-styled prophet with no religious affiliation, said.

Eastman said the corpse was propped in bed and the bedroom was aired with an open window and an electric fan.

Body Propped on Porch

Miss Buck revealed she had propped the body of her 71-year-old sister Amelia in a chair on the front porch last July 4 so she could "watch" the parade. The parade turned off two blocks away.

Edward Buck, 59, a bachelor brother, also lives in the house. He told Eastman he was almost deaf and did not know Amelia was dead until this week.

Final Decision Awaits Verdict On Necessity

Comment Declined On Arnall's Plans

Washington — (U.P.) — President Truman said Thursday he is considering calling a special session of Congress to deal with the rise in prices.

However, he told a news conference he has made no final decision.

Will Have To Wait

Mr. Truman said he has the question under consideration, but will have to wait and see if he thinks it is necessary.

He declined to comment on reports that Price Stabilizer Ellis Arnall has resigned. Associates of Arnall have said he plans to quit September 1.

Mr. Truman was asked if the price situation would be the only reason for calling Congress back into special session if he decides to do so. He said it would be.

He gave no indication of at what time he might call a special session should he consider it necessary.

Brickbats Drawn

Meanwhile, Arnall's statement that Mr. Truman might have to call the Congress back into session to deal with the price situation drew brickbats from both Republicans in Congress and his own colleagues.

Rep. Jesse P. Wolcott, R-Mich., ranking GOP member of the House Banking committee, said it was "perfectly ridiculous" for Arnall to suggest that President Truman may have to call Congress back into special session to tighten price controls.

Prediction Challenged

Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan challenged Arnall's prediction that the summer-long drought in Eastern and Southern states will drive up food prices. And Stabilization Director Roger L. Putnam indicated he does not share Arnall's apprehensions about the recent steel price increase.

John Robbins Found Dead in Automobile

The body of John S. Robbins, 41, of route 1, box 315B, Medford, was found in his car which was parked in a field near the Jacksonville-Phoenix highway early today, according to state police and sheriff's deputies. A note and the condition of the car indicated he had taken his own life, Coroner Carlos Morris said.

The body was discovered at about 7 a.m. by Don Minear, owner of the field, the sheriff's office reported. They said Robbins apparently opened the gates to the field and drove in, cut the exhaust pipe and ripped up the floor board of the car. Morris said that he apparently died of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Investigating officers stated Robbins may have been despondent over recent family troubles.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Diane, 13, and Judith, 10. Conger-Morris home is in charge of funeral arrangements.

Hit-Run Accident Reported to Police

Wayne Elton Reeves, 320 South Grape street, reported to the police Wednesday that his car was struck by a hit and run driver. The car was parked at 11th and Orange streets Tuesday night and was hit by another car that failed to stop, police said.

Witnesses got the hit and run car's license number. Reeves said he will sign a complaint.

An accident Wednesday involved Liebert Victor Peterson, 41 South Central avenue, and James Brown, 24 North Orange street. The accident occurred at Eighth street and Central avenue. No citations were issued.

Brush Fire Extinguished On Ginger Rogers' Ranch

No property damage resulted yesterday from a six-acre brush fire on the Ginger Rogers ranch on the Rogue river, according to the state forest patrol. Two patrol crews were sent to the blaze, which was reported at about 4 p.m., they said. Cause of the fire was not reported.

A total of 27 fires, all resulting from lightning storms earlier this week, were all extinguished or under control today, forest patrolmen said. Some of the fires are still being "mopped up" and patrolmen are keeping a close lookout for a few "sleeper" fires which are expected to break out when the woods dry out, they stated.

No fires were reported on national forest land today, according to Rogue River National forest officials.

Sabrejets Claim Four More Enemy Planes

Seoul, Korea — (U.P.) — Swift American Sabrejets knocked four Communist MIG jet planes out of the skies and damaged five others today in high altitude air duels over North Korea.

On the ground, hard-fighting South Korean infantrymen pushed Chinese troops off vital Capitol Hill on the Central front. It was the sixth time the height has changed hands since Tuesday.

Seventy-six Sabres clashed with 120 MIGs in seven air battles, several of them taking place near Sinuiju, only a few miles south of the Yalu river boundary between North Korea and Manchuria.

Astoria — (U.P.) — One hundred and fifty tons of tuna was unloaded here this week by the Japanese motorship Yamateru Maru. Fifty tons will be shipped to Seattle for processing and the rest is scheduled for canning here.

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