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## Eisenhower To Resubmit Bid To Increase Postal Rates, Pay for Federal Workers

### Congress To Get Chief's Request On January 11

#### Military Pay Boost Request Due Later

Augusta, Ga. — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower decided to resubmit his request to Congress for higher federal pay and higher postal rates on Jan. 11.

The chief executive also on Jan. 13 will send a special message to the House and Senate asking for increased pay for the armed services, plus a number of collateral benefits.

#### To Deal with Federal Pay

The Jan. 11 message will deal primarily with a proposed pay increase for federal employees and upping the price of a three-cent stamp to four cents. Air mail, under the Eisenhower program, will jump to seven cents an ounce.

The postal rate increases were recommended earlier this year by the President, but turned down by Congress. The President also vetoed a congressional proposal to raise postal salaries because there were not compensatory postal rate hikes.

#### New Pay Structure

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty, as the White House waited somewhat tensely for news of the European defense vote today by the French Chamber of Deputies, disclosed that Mr. Eisenhower on Jan. 11 will recommend a new pay structure for federal employees that will cost the government about \$202,000,000.

The Jan. 13 military pay raise bill also will include the administration's new armed forces reserve program plus a request for a number of other benefits for servicemen and their families.

#### No Precise Estimate

The White House would not estimate the precise size of the military increase, but Hagerty said the Civil Service recommendation would, if adopted, amount to a pay hike of about 5 per cent for federal workers, ranging from \$125 on the lower Civil Service grades to a maximum of \$800 a year for the top brackets.

### DA Asks Juvenile Court To Hear Case

A motion was made today by District Attorney Walter Nunley to remand a 16-year-old defendant in an assault and robbery case from the district court to juvenile court, according to the district attorney's office.

The youth, Lyle Vernon Doty, 1125 Maple Park dr., was arraigned Friday in district court on a charge of assault and robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon, and held in jail in lieu of \$7,500 bail.

The charge involved holding up Wallace Stearns, Grants Pass merchant, and taking his delivery truck at gunpoint.

In the motion, Nunley stated that "... although his crime is of a serious nature, that he is markedly immature for his age and the interests of justice require that he be handled as a juvenile court case."

Judge Rawles Moore was not in his office this morning to consider the motion which will be followed by an order, if approved.

### Flax Processing at Prison To Be Up To Legislature

Salem—(U.P.)—Whether or not the processing of flax will continue as an industry at the Oregon state penitentiary will be up to the 1955 Legislature to decide.

The State Board of Control met with the State Flax and Linen Board today to discuss with Warden Clarence T. Gladden and other prison officials the rehabilitation value of the industry and its importance to Oregon agriculture.



**SNOW BLANKETS CITY**—A blanket of white covered Medford yesterday morning, as the first sustained fall of the season fell during the early morning hours. Most of it had vanished, however, in the afternoon's above-freezing temperatures. The view above is on South Ivy st., looking north from the Medford High school baseball field. Since

Medford schools are now having their annual Christmas vacation, a multitude of snowmen sprang up in front yards throughout the city. Drivers had slippery driving conditions in the morning, but police said their extra caution paid off—not a single accident was reported in Medford yesterday attributable to snow. —(Brainerd photo)

### Mayor Will Report On His 3 Terms At Council Meeting

Outgoing Mayor D. L. Flynn will deliver a report on his three terms in office and his recommendations for future projects at the year end council meeting Friday noon in the city hall.

He said today he has requested both old and new council members to be present. The mayor and Councilmen Paul Selby and Frank Runtz will be attending their last council meetings as members. New councilmen are Fred E. Robinson, Paul Meyers and Don Hansen.

Beside approving the December payroll for the city the council is expected to discuss the proposed land acquisition by Fir-Ply, Inc., of city-owned Camp White property. Representatives of the firm, which have announced plans for a rough plywood plant installation, plan immediate construction in the area.

Flynn will turn the mayor's gavel over to Mayor-Elect Earl Miller at the meeting's end.

### C-119 Plane Crashes; Seven Reported Dead

Huntsville, Ala. — (U.P.)—An Air Force C-119 Flying Boxcar crashed into a hilly area near here today and the sheriff's office said at least seven of the 11 crewmen aboard were killed. Deputy Sheriff C. D. Stovall said the Highway Patrol reported that rescuers found bodies of seven persons. He said it was also reported that two other survivors were found injured.

The deputy said witnesses reported three parachutes were seen to blossom from the plane before it crashed.

The Weather Bureau at Birmingham shortly before noon warned of severe thunderstorms and the possibility of tornadoes in the area where the crash occurred.

### Triplets, All Boys, Born Today to Medford Couple

Three sons were born here this morning to Mrs. James W. Rolfs.

The first of the triplets arrived at 10:14 a.m., with the second five minutes later and the third three minutes after that. Each weighed about 3 1/4 pounds. The three babies and Mrs. Rolfs are "doing fine," according to the pleased and excited nurses in the obstetrical department of Sacred Heart hospital.

The babies' father is an employee of the City Sanitary Service Co. The Rolfs live at 512 Summit ave., and have been married about eight years.

Their only other child, Teresa Susan, 2, died last July after taking some quinine pills by mistake.

The tiny boys are not identical triplets, according to the attending physician. Names for them have not yet been chosen. They were born about a month ahead of schedule.

The county health officer, Dr. A. Erin Merkel, said that there are about four to eight sets of twins born in Jackson county each year, but he recalls no other triplets having been born here in many years. The two hospitals have no records of such a multiple birth in the past.

### Sen. Morse Predicts Minimum Wage Boost

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Wayne Morse predicted today that Congress will increase the 75-cent hourly minimum wage.

The Oregon independent said he hopes the minimum will be increased to no less than \$1 an hour and that the minimum wage law will be broadened to cover workers in all segments of the economy.

### McCarthy Raps Ike For Policy in Asia

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy credited President Eisenhower today with a "substantially good job" on foreign policy in Europe but blamed him for "a disastrous job in Asia."

The Wisconsin Republican, who broke with the President earlier this month, told newsmen "our foreign policy is definitely heading in the right direction in Europe."

But in Asia, he said, it is heading "in the wrong direction to the point where it could be catastrophic."

McCarthy's foreign policy comments came as he laid plans for "morning, afternoon and evening" hearings by his investigating subcommittee next Monday on alleged subversion in defense plants.

### Conciliation Service Appoints Commissioner

San Francisco — (U.P.) — The Federal Conciliation Service today appointed Commissioner George Hillenbrand to study the Pacific cargo handling dispute after Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell refused a Pacific Maritime association request for intervention.

Morse said an increase in the wage minimum would have a double-barreled effect:

1. It would "bring necessary cost of living relief to people with low, minimum wages."

2. It would provide a "spiraling effect" which would "ripple up" through the entire wage-increase and increase the purchasing power of the nation's consumers.

In addition, Morse said, an increase would be further demonstration to the Communists of "the strength of the free world with respect to advancing the welfare of the individual."

**Proposal Expected**  
Informed sources expect the Eisenhower administration to recommend some increase in the 75-cent minimum wage base, but not to the \$1 an hour figure recommended by Morse.

They expect the wage recommendation will be accompanied by a proposal for broader coverage but not including all farm labor, workers in retail establishments, domestic servants and the like who are not now covered.

### Memphis Columnist Wins Ernie Pyle Award

New York — (U.P.) — Eldon Roark, the Memphis Press-Scimitar's "strolling" columnist and feature writer, was named today as winner of the \$1000 Scripps-Howard Ernie Pyle Memorial Fund award for 1954.

Simultaneously, a gift of \$4000 from the Ernie Pyle Fund to the department of journalism at the University of Denver was announced. The grant will be used to "bring journalism students closer to professional newspapermen" through the establishment of a series of lectures by active newspapermen from all parts of the country.

### Weather

**FORECAST:** Mostly cloudy through Thursday with scattered light showers tonight. Patches of fog early Thursday. Little temperature change. Low tonight 33. High Thursday 40. Temp. Highest Yesterday 40. Lowest this Morning 34. Prec. to 4:30 a.m. Today .07

### Alsop Brothers Claim American Freedom Disgraced

#### Book Raps Refusal To Clear Oppenheimer

New York — (U.P.)—Columnists Joseph and Stewart Alsop charged today that the Atomic Energy Commission "dishonored and disgraced the high name of American freedom" by denying security clearance to Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer.

The brothers made the charge in a book, "We Accuse!" published by Simon and Schuster, Inc.

#### Denied Data Access

The AEC on June 29 voted 4 to 1 to deny Oppenheimer access to restricted data on grounds he is a security risk. The ruling meant that Oppenheimer, wartime director of the laboratory at Los Alamos, N. M., that built the first atomic bomb, no longer could be employed by the government or be trusted with classified information.

In addition to accusing the AEC "in particular and the American government in general of a shocking miscarriage of justice" in the Oppenheimer case, the Alsops charged the U. S. "insecurity system" is "inherently repugnant in its present standards and procedures to every high tradition of the American past."

#### Traditions Forgotten

"It is an insecurity system because, with the laudable and necessary aim of safeguarding our government from subversion, we have forgotten our American traditions; we have borrowed the methods of the enemy; we have made intelligence and originality dangerous to their possessors; and we have placed the highest premium on conformity," the brothers wrote.

"... Every witness called by the AEC was hostile to Oppenheimer in one way or another. Every document or other piece of evidence introduced by the AEC was intended to be damaging to Oppenheimer in one way or another."

### Knowles Given Life Sentence

The Dalles — (U.P.)—Harry C. Knowles, 46, was sentenced to life imprisonment today for strangling a ranch hand near Shaniko, Ore., last October.

Wasco County Circuit Judge Malcolm Wilkinson, immediately after imposing sentence, handed Knowles over to Sheriff Ernest Mosier and Deputy Grant Cyphers for delivery to Federal Court at Sacramento, Calif., where he is scheduled to be sentenced tomorrow on a federal automobile theft count.

Judge Wilkinson said Knowles' life sentence on the second degree murder charge would begin after he has served his federal sentence. Maximum penalty on the federal count is five years. Knowles pleaded guilty last Friday to strangling Albert C. Stuart and burying his body in a shallow grave along U. S. Highway 30.

Knowles also has pleaded guilty to stealing Stuart's car and taking it across the Oregon-California border.

### Road Conditions

Traffic was moving without chains over southern Oregon mountain highways this afternoon, state police said. Sand has been put on roads where snow is packed, and elsewhere highways are clear.

Anchorage, Alaska — (U.P.) — For the third day in a row Anchorage thermometers dropped to a record low early yesterday with a chilly minus 28 degrees.

### Neuberger Confident Incoming Demos Will Restore Public Power Program

Chicago — (U.P.) — Richard L. Neuberger, Democratic senator-elect from Oregon, has expressed confidence that the incoming Democratic Congress "will restore the public power program."

Neuberger, first Democrat elected to the Senate from Oregon in 40 years, told newsmen yesterday during a visit with Adlai Stevenson that he believed "Oregon voted as it did Nov. 2" because of confidence in Democratic power policies.

#### Favors 'High Level' Dam

Neuberger said he would sponsor a bill in the new congress for construction of a "high level" dam at Hell's Canyon, Idaho, as recommended by Army Engineers.

This would be in place of three smaller dams proposed by

### Officials Express Hope Soviet Will Free Yanks

Washington — (U.P.)—U. S. officials expressed renewed hope today that Russia will release three Americans held in Soviet prison camps for years. News that the Americans are still alive was brought out of Russia by a group of Austrian prisoners who were freed. Officials planned to use statements by the Austrians in pressing demands that the American trio be released.

Russia so far has never admitted holding the Americans, identified as William T. Marchuk, Brackenridge, Pa.; William A. Verdine, Starks, La., and John Hellmuth Noble, Detroit.

### President, Dulles In Conference on Crisis in France

Augusta, Ga. — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower held a 30-minute telephone conference with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles today on the French crisis.

The chief executive received latest reports from the American embassy in Paris on the crucial European defense vote in the French assembly, which probably will come sometime after noon (PST) today.

The vacation White House announced that Dulles telephoned Mr. Eisenhower and that the two talked about 30 minutes.

"Now we'll just sit and wait for the vote," White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty told reporters.

In another development here today here the President is spending his Christmas-New Year's holiday, the White House denied categorically a published report that Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson has submitted his resignation. Hagerty said the story was "entirely without any basis of fact whatever."

### \$75 Fine Meted In Highway Crash

The driver in an accident case which resulted in a Bend youth losing portions of both legs on Highway 99 north last Nov. 5 was found guilty yesterday in district court on a reckless driving charge, according to court records.

James Norbert Frank, 18, Coquille, was fined \$75 and \$5 costs by Judge Rawles Moore in a trial without a jury. Frank's license was also recommended to be suspended for 45 days by the court.

The youth had been charged in the complaint with driving 60 miles an hour in a 25-mile zone and crashing into the rear of a 1 1/2-ton truck which was working on a new highway section. As a result of the accident, Charles Henry Blackshear, 20, Bend, was severely injured in both legs. He had been riding on the rear of the truck. Blackshear returned to the Community hospital Monday after spending a few days at his home for Christmas.

Frank, a student at Oregon Technical Institute, Klamath Falls, was represented by Attorney Dewey Wilson. Russell DeForest, deputy district attorney, represented the state.

#### Gregory Peck's Wife

**Awarded Divorce**  
Hollywood — (U.P.) — Mrs. Gregory Peck won a divorce today from the handsome actor on what she called "easy" testimony because Peck gave her a "generous" \$60,000 a year settlement.

The former Greta Koenen, 42, also was granted custody of the couple's three children, their home, furnishings, a 1950 Cadillac and 50 per cent of everything owned by the couple since their marriage 12 years ago.

### Unhappy French Assembly Meets For Big Decision

#### Mendes-France Stakes Life of Government

Paris — (U.P.) — Opponents of German rearmament attacked the United States today before a torn and unhappy French National assembly convened to make its most important decision since the end of the war.

Premier Pierre Mendes-France had staked the life of his government and the future of West European unity on two votes of confidence in today's Assembly session and, despite the biggest guns of the opposition, he still was expected to win by a narrow margin.

Today's attack on the United States was a last desperate fling and brought into the action the Assembly's most venerated member, 82-year-old Edouard Herriot. He called for rejection of German rearmament.

Rightist Deputy Gen. Adolphe Aumeran, the man whose motion killed the European Defense community, ill-fated predecessor of the Western European Union, mounted his last bitter attack which also included an attack on the United States.

"Are we going to let a country inexperienced in foreign policy show the way to France?" he demanded.

"Would not Germany, even under the sponsorship of the United States, still remain dangerous?"

Then the noisy chamber hushed to hear Herriot.

The old man leaned forward on his bench and told Mendes-France before the silent deputies:

"At the present moment you can negotiate with the East. You are free."

"Tomorrow, you will first have to get the agreement of Germany."

He called for respect of the Franco-Russian 1944 friendship treaty.

Even if Mendes-France wins today, his margin is expected to be so narrow that France will be marked as an unwilling partner to an alliance she accepted only because she feared the alternatives more.

### Scientists Attack Security Restrictions

Berkeley, Calif. — (U.P.) — Some of the nation's most prominent scientists joined today in an angry attack on "excessive" security restrictions imposed by congressmen they said created a "sickness of suspicion" in the country.

Dr. Warren Weaver, president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, led the barrage in a speech before the powerful organization's 121st annual meeting here.

He said the science profession "cannot afford to disregard" the "sickness of rumor and anxiety, of suspicion and distrust, and, at its worst, of fear and tragedy."

"In part this sickness is due to overemphasis on caution for the past rather than constructive courage with respect to the future."

#### Civil Service Group

##### To Investigate Ouster

Washington — (U.P.) — The Senate Civil Service Committee will investigate the ouster by Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson of Wolf Ladejinsky as U.S. agricultural attaché in Tokyo.

H. W. Brawley, minority counsel for the committee, said the investigation has been ordered by Sen. Olin D. Johnston (D-S.C.), slated to become committee chairman when the Democrats take control of Congress next month.

### 1946 Democratic Presidential Nomination

He said he could not yet pick a presidential candidate for 1956 but added he and his wife were "great admirers" of Stevenson. Neuberger said he believed President Eisenhower was right and Sen. William F. Knowland, Republican majority leader from California, was wrong in the matter of Americans imprisoned by Red China.

#### Dixon-Yates Not Good Deal

On the controversial Dixon-Yates power contract, Neuberger said that "from my knowledge, from what I've read, I wouldn't say it was a very good deal for the people."

He said he would support President Eisenhower on extension of reciprocal trade legislation.