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Vaccine Distribution Plan Approved by Eisenhower

Sure-Fire Formula Seen To End Bulk of 'Timber Grabs'

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Washington—(Special)—The Eisenhower administration has come up with what looks like a sure-fire formula for wiping out the bulk of "timber grabs" in federal forest by pseudo-mining claimants.

No organized opposition has been voiced since the administration a month ago unveiled a bill to restrict the rights of those who file mining claims in national forests and on other public lands. With hearings scheduled to be held this week by both House and Senate committees, interested organizations representing mining, forestry and conservation interests have come out in favor of the bill.

The bill would permit the government to continue to manage and sell timber located on unpatented mining claims. As the law now stands, mining claimants can prevent the Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management from disposing of timber on their claims. This has led to a condition in the Pacific Northwest in which countless acres of standing timber of the federal government have been tied up by pending claims, whether valid or invalid, old or new.

The claimant would have the right to use timber on the tract

directly for mining purposes on the claim. The bill also would ban further claims based on discoveries of cinders, stone, sand, gravel, pumice or pumicite.

When the bill was drawn up by the Interior and Agriculture

Oregon Accidents Take Eight Lives During Week End

By UNITED PRESS
At least eight persons met accidental death in Oregon during the week end period from Friday night through Sunday.

Two persons were killed in a two-car collision Saturday night about 23 miles east of Pendleton. They were identified by state police as Louis Peter Wright, 37, Hermiston, and Eugene P. Richards, 46, Richland, Wash. Four other persons were injured.

Coos Bay Doctor Dies
Dr. George W. Stephenson, 38, Coos Bay, died Friday night when his car went off the road one half mile from his home near Barview.

Charles Kopp, 42, was killed in Portland Saturday night when struck by a car. It was Portland's 15th traffic death of the year.

Fire snuffed out the lives of two small girls early Sunday when it swept through a one-story house at Twin Rocks near Rockaway on the Oregon coast. The victims were Andrea Jean Ewan, 7, and her sister, Sherry Lee, 5. Their mother, Mrs. Mary Leuthold, suffered shock and burns in a futile attempt to rescue her daughters.

Councilman Killed
Kenneth R. Deaton, 40-year-old Cave Junction city councilman, was killed in the woods 13 miles north of Cave Junction when crushed by a tree he was falling Saturday.

Harold Jones, 23, Portland, drowned in the Columbia river Saturday about a mile downstream from The Dalles.

Polls Open Until 8 In Phoenix Bond Vote

Phoenix—Polls will remain open until 8 p.m. today in the Phoenix sewer bond issue election. The polling place is located in the city hall.

Voters are casting ballots in issuance of \$40,000 in general obligation bonds to provide for sewage disposal, and to arrange installation of a city sewer system which will be financed by assessments against property.

Election officials reported that "quite a number" of voters cast ballots during the first two hours after the polls opened at noon.

High Court Airs Military Powers

Washington—(U.P.)—The Supreme Court may decide today whether the military has power to reach into civilian life and arrest veterans.

The fate of Robert W. Toth, young Pittsburgh steelworker, hinges on the high court's decision.

Toth, now free on bail, was arrested by Air Force police in 1953 five months after his discharge from the service and flown to Korea to face a court martial on charges he killed a Korean civilian.

The former sergeant contends the Constitution places civilians beyond the reach of military law and guarantees them trial by jury in this country.

Two other major decisions also are pending before the Supreme Court which meets to hand down rulings. They are the final order on how and when the state should wipe out segregation in schools and whether government employees facing dismissal as security risks have a right to face their accusers.

Mainz, Germany—(U.P.)—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer won a resounding vote of confidence for his pro-Western and German rearmament policies in Sunday's election in the state of Rhineland-Palatinate, final returns showed today.

Five Texans Arrested by City Policemen After Local Burglaries; Loot Recovered

Medford police early Sunday morning arrested five Texans in connection with two burglaries here Saturday night and a series of burglaries from Texas to Washington in the past few months.

Officer Roy L. Thompson arrested Thomas Miner Spoon, 24, of Santo, Tex., as Spoon was burglarizing the Ninety and Nine Tavern, 1258 South Riverside ave. about a.m. yesterday. The arrest of Spoon, who was armed with a .32 calibre automatic pistol, led to the arrest of four other members of the family.

Being held in city jail, in addition to Thomas, is William Riley Spoon, 26. William's wife, Mrs. Leuffa Mae Spoon, 24, is being held in Jackson county jail, as are Thomas' 15-year-old wife and his 15-year-old brother. They listed their addresses as Santo, Tex.

Four were arrested on charges of burglary. The 15-year-old boy was charged with being a delin-

quent.

Officer Thompson said he caught Thomas Spoon as Spoon was burglarizing the Ninety and Nine Tavern, from which he got a wrist watch, a roll of pennies and a .38 calibre revolver. The Texas, an escapee from Texas State penitentiary, entered the Ninety and Nine Tavern following a burglary at Ranch Drive In, 1234 South Riverside ave.

Overlooked \$300
Thomas Spoon, Officer Thompson said, escaped with \$125 from cigarette and pin ball machines from the Ranch Drive In, but overlooked \$300 in receipts. The money as well as an electric razor he took from Ranch Drive In were placed near the railroad tracks while he burglarized the Ninety and Nine, police said.

Officer Thompson said Thomas Spoon apparently did all burglarizing for the group, and was transported from one burglary to another by other members of the family. He said Thom-

as admitted committing between 12 and 15 burglaries enroute north from Texas through Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington.

Admits Robbery
Thomas also admitted a strong-arm robbery in Texas soon after he escaped from the penitentiary December 21, 1945. The group was traveling south through Medford and arrived in town between 6 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Officer Thompson said.

Officer Thompson said the Thomas usually burglarized eating places, taverns and schools, and usually broke into coin-operated machines like cigarette, pin ball and music machines.

Material collected from burglaries was found in a local motel room and in the group's car, Officer Thompson said, but an estimate of the worth of the material will not be available until after it is sorted and stolen material separated from what belongs to the Spoons.

Unless unforeseen obstacles are encountered by its supporters, the bill could clear both chambers and be signed into law before Congress adjourns for the year this summer.

Cable Break Halts Communications

A break in the coaxial cable disrupted telephone and other communications with the north here at about 10 a.m. today. Jack Creager, Medford manager for Pacific Telephone and Telegraph, said service was being restored rapidly shortly after 1 p.m.

The break occurred near McAndrews rd., in north Medford, when a ditch digging machine hit the underground cable, Creager said.

The break halted United Press and Associated Press teletype service starting at 10 a.m. Television station KBES-TV reported that it was receiving no network service shortly after noon, and radio station KMED officials said their station was without network service from 10 a.m. to about 11:30 a.m.

Officials of radio station KYJC said they lost none of their network programs.

State and city police teletype connections with the north also were out. At about noon, telephone company patrons were being told that there would be a two-hour delay on all calls to Portland.

San Francisco—(U.P.)—The Coast Guard Cutter Wachusett rushed today to the aid of a Costa Rican motor ship that reported herself leaking in high seas.

Program Would Follow End of NFIP Immunization

Supply Will Be Divided Among States

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower today approved a voluntary plan designed to assure fair allocation of the Salk polio vaccine.

The plan would be effective following completion of the current program of immunization being conducted by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for first and second grade school children.

The report prepared by Welfare Secretary Oveta Culp Hobby and experts of the Public Health Service recommended that "for the time being" the vaccine should be administered only to children of the most susceptible age group, five through nine years old.

Once the Federal voluntary program goes into effect, Mrs. Hobby will direct division and allocation among states of the entire output of the vaccine on the basis of five through nine population of each state.

"There will be a shortage of the vaccine for several months," Mrs. Hobby said as her plan was announced at the White House. She said only a voluntary plan of priorities and distribution could be mobilized "fast enough" to be effective during this temporary period of shortage.

"The program meets the President's objective of getting all safe vaccine to American children as rapidly as possible and assures that no child will be denied vaccination because of inability to pay," she said.

The White House said that as a result of the report, plans are being made to ask Congress for an additional \$2,000,000 for the Health, Education and Welfare department to conduct the vaccine program, particularly for "vigorous enforcement" of laws prohibiting sales of the vaccine outside authorized channels of prescription drugs.

Aid To States
Legislation prepared by the department also will ask Congress for about \$28,000,000 to help states purchase the vaccine for the program to go into effect following completion of the foundation's free immunization.

These federal funds would be used to pay the cost of vaccine for children through the age of 19 in low income families.

This money either would be given to the states or used for federal purchase of vaccine to be sent to the states for the low income families.

Medical organizations were asked to see to it that doctors vaccinate only children within the priority age groups.

Detailed plans for maintenance of vaccination records were outlined as part of the effort to assure adherence to the priority plan.

States Handle Program
Under the plan approved by the President each state, through its governor, will direct the distribution of the vaccine within the state. A state agency designated by the governor will advise Mrs. Hobby's office on the desired shipment of the state's allocation, specifying how much vaccine should go to commercial drug distribution channels and how much should be distributed to public agencies.

Mrs. Hobby and her advisors said "we emphasize that the safety of the vaccine must always be the first consideration. Distribution must be secondary to safety."

"The safety of the vaccine released for use will continue to be the responsibility of the Public Health Service . . . and is receiving the constant and diligent attention of the Public Health Service."

Washington—(U.P.)—The Hoover Commission told Congress today that the future security and prosperity of the nation is being injured by unfair government competition with private business.



FIRE, DEATH AND DESTRUCTION HIT SAIGON—This is a general view of Saigon as dense smoke rises from the burning native quarter which was crowded with refugees from the war with the Reds last year. No one knows how many died in the fires. Civil war caught an innocent civilian population in the middle of a crossfire that turned the city of two million into a place of fire, death and destruction.

Reported Threats To Family Termed Misunderstanding

Reported threats to a Foots creek family were not threats at all, and must have been the result of a misunderstanding, it was reported to state police Sunday.

Maxwell Thayer, Rogue River and Medford newspaper publisher, told police that he had called on the Lopez family last week to investigate reports that the family had been "gypped" on a real estate transaction. He said that he did not tell Lopez that any threats had been made against the family, but that the man, a Filipino-American, might have misunderstood the conversation.

After the meeting, the Lopez family spent Friday night in the woods, and came to Medford Saturday seeking help. Lopez told state police Saturday that he was afraid for his family, including a wife and three children. They returned to their place Saturday afternoon, however, after being told there was little danger they would be harmed.

A state police officer checked the locality Sunday and reported the family was all right.

Thayer, in his report to state police, said his call on the Lopez was to see if he might help them, since apparently they did not have all the facilities on the little ranch that they needed for a family farm and home, including year-around water.

But, Thayer added, in the course of the conversation they discussed the fact that some people don't like people of another color living around, and he said he mentioned instances in past years where threats had driven Chinese out of the area.

Lopez may have misunderstood this conversation as a threat, Thayer said. He maintained that he had no personal feelings on the matter other than that of feeling sorry for the family.

People "Stirred Up"
He added that because of a news story about the matter which appeared in The Mail Tribune Sunday, people were getting "stirred up" over the situation, some thinking the Lopez should move and others thinking they should be helped.

Lopez told state police Saturday that he has been an American citizen for 28 years, and spent 20 years in the merchant marine. He has a pension income of \$125 monthly, he said, and it was in the hope of a small additional income from the property, to stretch his financial resources, that he had purchased the place.

His three children aged 8 to 12, attend Rogue River school, according to police reports.

Eagle Point Man Held In Lieu of \$500 Bail

Monte Louise Riddell, 22, of route 1, box 92, Eagle Point, was arraigned in district court today on charges of using a vehicle without permission. The case was continued until May 17, after Riddell asked for counsel. He is being held in county jail in lieu of \$500 bail.

Riddell was charged with taking a Medford corporation power wagon from Butte Falls Saturday. The wagon was later found over an embankment about 15 miles from Butte Falls toward Fish Lake.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Cloudy with occasional light rain tonight. Partly cloudy Tuesday. Mild temperatures. Low tonight near 38. High Tuesday 68-70.

Highest yesterday	Temp.
Lowest this morning	37
To 10 a.m. today	41

One Man Killed, Four Hurt in Auto Mishaps

Two men were injured early today in an accident on Crater Lake highway about three miles northeast of Eagle Point. They are Chester A. Flury, 58, of route 1, box 337E, Eagle Point, and George Washington Flury, 64, of the same address.

Police said a pickup truck operated by Chester A. Flury was struck from the rear by a coupe operated by Leonard Russell Kranenburg, 16, Trail. Kranenburg and John Eric Bush, 17, Trail, a passenger in his car, were not injured, according to the report.

Thrown from Truck
Police said the Flury pickup swerved after the collision, and left the highway, traveling along a ditch before it turned over, throwing both Flurys from the vehicle. Both were taken to Sacred Heart hospital by Kranenburg.

Police said Chester Flury received back and rib injuries, and George Flury received blows to his head. Hospital attendants said this morning that they "spent a good night."

A third accident involved cars operated by Dr. Edgar Neil Terrill, 58, of 19 North First st., Ashland, and Dewitt H. Collins, 33, of 259 B st., Ashland. The vehicles collided on Highway 99 near Talent junction at about 6:40 p.m. Sunday.

Two Injured
Police said Mrs. C. F. Terrill, 83, Oregon City, a passenger in the car driven by her son, received a possible broken collar bone, and Collins received chest injuries which were not believed to be serious. No injuries were listed for Dr. Terrill or his wife, Iva.

Another two-car accident, which occurred shortly before 6 p.m. Saturday, involved cars operated by Mrs. Doris A. Hoover, 38, of route 2, box 206, Medford, and Talmage Clarence Florey, 52, of route 3, box 69B. The mishap occurred on 401 rd. between Sticky lane and Crater Lake highway. No injuries were listed and damage was said to be minor.

One-Car Accidents
Two one-vehicle accidents were reported. In the first, reported at about 2:15 a.m. Sunday, a car registered to Ralph Guches, Applegate, left the road and overturned about a quarter of a mile from Applegate bridge. No details of the accident were available, but police believed that no one was injured.

The second one-car crash involved a vehicle operated by Halvar Michael Haukkl, 57, Prospect. He was uninjured when his car left the road at about 4:30 a.m. on Highway 62 between Prospect and Cascade Gorge after hitting rocks on the highway. Considerable damage to his car was reported.

No Hazards Found In 601 Residences
No apparent fire hazards were found by city firemen in nearly half the homes they visited during the first two weeks of a residential inspection program in Medford.

Firemen inspected 1230 homes. At 601 they found no hazards but for the 629 others they made 940 recommendations for correction of conditions known to be causes of fires.

A total of 106 refusals of the inspection offer were reported by fire department crews. They stopped at 2,347 residences and found no one home at 1,011.

Sunday Blaze Damages Fourth Wheel Tavern
A blaze in a rear room of the Fourth Wheel tavern, 31 South Front st., yesterday resulted in a general alarm and firemen dispatched two pumper trucks and the aerial ladder truck to the scene.

Firemen said that a roof fire was reported about 6:35 p.m. They reported that the blaze started from an overheated stovepipe with insufficient clearance from the wall. Slight damage occurred to a wall and to the ceiling and roof of the rear room.

Soviet Tells Price For Unification Of Germany

German Solution Remains Secret

Vienna—(U.P.)—Western foreign ministers reached full agreement on a broad European security plan to counter Russia's bid to neutralize Germany, informed diplomatic sources said today.

The Western ministers were on their way home today after signing an Austrian state treaty with Soviet Russia that rolls back the Iron Curtain for the first time and promises the long awaited break in the cold war.

Diplomatic sources said Western experts will begin shortly preparing a joint Allied plan for the unification of Germany within a broad European security system based on phrased East-West disarmament.

Russia Wants Price
Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov made it clear yesterday that Russia wants the neutralization of Germany on the pattern of the Austrian settlement, and that that was the price the West would have to pay for a unified Germany.

A rearmend West Germany is a keystone of Western policy in Europe and the Allies believe it was this new strength that helped win the Austrian treaty.

A Soviet official said the Soviet withdrawal from Austria marked a trend "which is going to have a profound effect on the rest of Europe," and predicted it was a "general moderation" of Soviet policy toward the slave nations under its thumb.

Details of the Western concept for a German solution have so far remained secret. But informed sources said it included unification through free, supervised elections, phased disarmament between East and West in Europe and some system of non-aggression pacts.

Molotov Conciliatory
In the meanwhile the Western ministers will go ahead with preparations for talks among the Big Four government heads and the subsequent conference of the foreign ministers to complete details.

Western diplomats were intrigued by unconfirmed reports circulating in Vienna that Molotov might be moved from the Kremlin's Foreign office. They were struck by the conciliatory attitude of the Soviet foreign minister.

They noted he had no full powers to approve the details of the projected conference "at the summit" and that he had to refer back for instructions.

During the Geneva conference last year he negotiated freely with full powers without having to ask the Kremlin's approval at each stage.

Chancellor Julius Raab told a press conference today he "hoped that the conclusion of the Austrian state treaty will help ease tension in the cold war."

Rural School Budget Election Set Today
Voters in Jackson county's 20 second and third class districts went to the polls today to vote on a levy of \$1,599,895.53 for the rural school budget. The election is necessary because the school district levy base is only \$323,520.64.

The question being decided is that of exceeding the 6 per cent limitation on budgetary increases by a total of \$1,276,374.89.

Polling places and times the polls will be open are posted in each rural school district.

Doctors Debate Surgery For Siamese Twin Girls

Detroit—(U.P.)—Doctors planned today to begin a series of tests within the next 24 hours to determine whether they will try to separate Siamese twin girls born here Sunday.

The girls were joined at the chest and abdomen. They were reported in "fair condition" and their chances for survival in their present state were "pretty good."

Doctors refused to comment on chances that the girls would be able to be separated until they completed tests and X-rays to determine which vital organs, if any, they shared.

The twins were born to Mrs. Nona Herring, 27, by Caesarean section. They were immediately placed in an "isolette" to insure them a constant supply of heat and oxygen.

Attendants at the hospital said their color was improving and their chances for survival appeared to be improving steadily.

The babies weighed a total of 12 pounds, 14 ounces when they were born.

Preliminary x-rays indicated the twins had normal spinal cords and chest bones and two heart beats indicated they each had a heart of their own. But a hospital spokesman said it could not be determined immediately whether they had individual stomachs and livers.

An attending physician said doctors would wait between 24 and 48 hours after their birth to determine their chances for survival before conducting further tests.