



ARMED FORCES DAY CROWD—Shown above is a part of the crowd which at times reached an estimated 3,000 yesterday during the Armed Forces day observance at Medford municipal airport. At center, the large group

is listening to music by the Medford Senior High school band. Nearby, others are looking over a big Navy plane and two Air Force jet planes. —(Brainerd photo)

Explosions Wrr Two Mailbox In Portland Area

Police Conduct Investigation

Portland —(U.P.)— Explosions shattered two mailboxes in the West Hills area of Portland over the week end and city and county authorities were conducting an investigation.

One mailbox belonging to Harold C. Pearson, lumber broker, was shattered early Sunday with a force which police said might have killed or injured any passerby.

Owner Not Home

Another explosion ripped a mailbox early Saturday. Lawrence L. Rennett, the owner, was not at home at the time.

Neither Pearson nor Rennett could see any reason for the blasts.

"I have received no threats and to my knowledge have no enemies. This is a mystery to me," Pearson said.

Police said the bomb was a "Molotov cocktail" type with explosive packed into a large brown bottle. They discounted the possibility that the bomb was planted by pranksters because of the "detailed knowledge" necessary to construct it.

Remnants Studied

Remnants of the mailbox were turned over to the crime laboratory in order to find out what type explosive was used.

Pearson was asleep in his home when the bomb exploded and was not awakened by the blast as the box was some distance from the house.

Morse Promises To Fight Republicans

Newport, Ore. —(U.P.)— Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), says he will "fight the Republicans from top to bottom" in 1956.

Morse, in a speech here Saturday night, challenged Gov. Paul Patterson or Interior Secretary Douglas McKay to run for the Senate on their power records.

The Oregon lawmaker attacked the Federal Power Commission and said "partnership schemes cannot be justified."

He also attacked handling of the Salk polio vaccine program and criticized Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, secretary of health, education and welfare. He said the vaccine was released before a fair distribution program or adequate testing had been arranged.

Morse also had some sharp words for the press. He said a segment of the Oregon press was "a kept press" that pictured him as a liberal who talked too much.

"I will continue to talk a lot, saying things that need to be said," Morse stated.

The Democratic senator toured the Oregon coast from Astoria to Newport Friday and Saturday. He returned to Washington, D.C., yesterday.

Thefts Reported To County Sheriff

Mrs. Elizabeth E. Poston, 79 Janney lane, Medford, has reported to sheriff's officers that a wrist watch was stolen from a bed-side table in her home recently. She told sheriff's officers a set of keys also was taken recently.

The theft occurred sometime between May 9 and May 19, sheriff officer's said. Mrs. Poston also said her neighbor, Mrs. Kenneth Russell, had her home burglarized of about \$40 at the same time, officer's said.

Ernie Lester Holbrook, 4661 South Pacific highway, reported to the sheriff office that cigarettes, whiskey, wine and a calendar were taken from a cabin about a mile off Mud Springs rd. recently.

Rural Board Meets To Canvass Votes

The Jackson county rural school board met at 1 p.m. today to canvass votes cast in a county wide election May 16 unofficially approving an excess over the six per cent limitation on budgetary increases by a total of \$1,276,374.89.

The board also reviewed requests for emergency funds from school districts. Several requests were deferred to the end of the school year to determine the final financial status of the district. Some requests were granted during the school year.

Accidents Fatal To 9



FIRST IN COUNTY—Phillip Crocker, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Crocker, 3355 Jacksonville highway, this morning became the first youngster in Jackson county to receive a Salk anti-polio vaccination through the program for first and second graders. Phillip, a pupil at Oak Grove school, is shown above, center, receiving his shot with tightly clenched fists,

while Phillip Rupt and Lloyd Cline look on. Lloyd, anticipating his turn, also is keeping his fist clenched. Administering the vaccination is Dr. William W. D. Holt, Medford, while Mrs. Nina Van De Walker, clinic nurse for the county health department, looks on in the background. —(Brainerd photo)

Campaign By Russia To Get U.S. Troops Out of Europe Seen

Washington —(U.P.)— The Eisenhower administration is convinced Moscow is mounting a super campaign to get the United States out of Europe.

High officials predicted today that this Red project would require extra Allied vigilance at the forthcoming meeting of the Big Four heads of government, and in any subsequent East-West negotiations.

Desire Not New

The fact that the Russians want the United States to withdraw its armed forces from Europe and Asia is not new. What is new and prompting official attention is the increased Soviet campaign to "get the Yankees home."

Moscow is only starting on its new efforts. But officials see them as a portent of things to come—both in the fields of Soviet propaganda and in actual policy.

Moscow's sudden willingness to sign an Austrian peace treaty may point to the Red strategy to cut down and eliminate U. S. troops in Europe. American troops stationed in Austria are being withdrawn.

For the first time, the latest Soviet disarmament proposals state that nations "possessing military, naval and air bases on the territories of other countries undertake to dismantle these bases. The question as to what bases are to be dismantled... should be additionally agreed upon."

Vessel Breaking Up Off Coos Bay Coast

Coos Bay, Ore. —(U.P.)— A Costa Rican vessel laden with dynamite started breaking up in heavy seas off Cape Blanco this morning, and was taken in tow by a Coast Guard cutter. It was to be brought to this Southern Oregon bay.

The vessel was the Rican Star, carrying 9724 cases of dynamite. The cutter Wecona was dispatched from Coos Bay when the vessel radioed that three frames had broken and hull plates had started to buckle.

The vessel, en route to the Columbia river from the Hawaiian islands, was towed 80 miles last week when she reported and her engines had broken down and she sprung a leak in her engine room.

Foreign Silver Price Raised .09 of a Cent

New York —(U.P.)— Handy and Harman, bullion dealers, today raised the price of foreign silver in New York .09 of a cent to 90.25 cents, the fourth hike within the past two weeks.

This brings the price of the white metal, which dates back to the early Phoenicians, to the highest level in 25 years.

Man Injured When Automobile Goes Over Embankment

One person was hospitalized and two others received minor injuries yesterday in a one-car accident near Military bridge, according to state police.

Hospitalized was Cloyd A. Golden, a passenger in the car. He was taken by Medford Ambulance service to Sacred Heart hospital and was unconscious for some time following the mishap.

Has Head Injury

Hospital attendants said this morning that Golden had regained consciousness. He is being treated for a head injury.

Police said the driver of the car was Gerald Duane Golden, 25, of route 2, box 542, Central Point, a nephew of the injured man. Gerald Golden, and his sister-in-law, Maurine Carolyn Golden, 20, received minor injuries, police stated.

The accident occurred at about 2:45 p.m. Sunday when the car failed to make a corner and went over a 20-foot embankment, according to investigating officers.

French Forces Kill 40 Algerian Rebels

Algiers, Algeria —(U.P.)— French forces killed at least 40 rebels in two separate clashes with terrorists in Algeria during the week end, officials announced today.

In one rebel attack at Kheirane, officials said that French ground troops killed 20 insurgents. French fighter planes then machine gunned the retreating Nationalists and "virtually annihilated" them. However, the rebels dragged off 20 bodies of their dead and only 20 bodies were found.

At least 20 more rebels were killed in another clash in the Djebel Amrane valley of the Aures mountains.

Attempt Seen To Rig Big 4 Talks on Moscow's Terms

London —(U.P.)— Western diplomats said today the Soviets had opened a major propaganda campaign to hold the projected high-level Big Four conference on Moscow's own terms.

Pravda, the official Communist party organ in Moscow, accused the Big Three of trying to block "serious and honest" four power talks by "putting up technical barriers."

Directed at Limited Meeting

The bitter blast which took the West by surprise appeared directed at President Eisenhower's wish to limit the high-level meeting to two or three days. Pravda said this would make it "impossible" to consider major cold war problems.

The editorial came at a time when the West was waiting for an official Soviet answer to its

Oregon Drowning Mishaps Claim Three Youngsters

Car-Train Crash Kills Dorris Man

By UNITED PRESS

At least nine persons died accidentally in Oregon and neighboring areas of Washington and California Saturday and Sunday.

Three Oregon youngsters drowned. Another child was feared drowned near Longview, Wash.

Irene Clapp, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen K. Clapp, Roseburg, drowned yesterday afternoon in the Little river east of Glide when she wandered away from her family on a fishing trip, Douglas County Sheriff Ira Byrd reported.

Prineville Youth Drowns

Ten Stinnett, 13, Prineville, was swept to his death over Stearn's dam on the Crooked river yesterday. He and a companion, Kenny Walter, swam the 100 foot river but on their return trip failed to account for the current. Walter escaped death by inches as he grasped a rock on the shore just above the dam.

Kenneth Ray Roberts, 6, drowned in a millpond in Molalla Sunday when he fell off a log on which he was playing.

At Longview, four-year-old Harvey Johnson was feared to have drowned in the Cowlitz river. The stream was dragged for more than six hours yesterday after his parents reported him missing. He was last seen playing on the banks of the stream.

Mark Chamberlain, 17, Lebanon, was killed yesterday afternoon when a car overturned 1½ miles west of Lebanon. Marvin Jensen, a passenger, was treated for minor injuries, and two young girls, Frances Nepper, 13, and Sandra Ray, 16, were unhurt.

Franz Ellis Ranstram, 59, Dorris, Calif., millworker, was killed Saturday night when the car in which he was riding was struck by a cattle train near the Dorris depot. Dorris is near Klamath Falls. Two companions were injured.

Lloyd Nolan, 40, Portland, was killed yesterday when struck by a car just outside the Portland city limits as he tried to run across a street, deputy sheriffs reported.

Thrown From Car
Jesse J. Wishon, 27, Orchards, Wash., was injured fatally four miles east of Vancouver yesterday when he was thrown from the car in which he was riding as it turned a corner. His head struck a concrete post.

Nels Berg, 68, Tigard, was killed shortly before midnight Sunday when struck by two cars as he walked along Highway 99W near Roamers Rest.

Robert E. Whitaker, 22, Eugene, was killed when his car was struck by a train at a grade crossing at Veneta.

Equalization Board Concludes Hearings

The Jackson county board of equalization concluded hearings on complaints on increased assessed valuation today, but said it would receive written petitions until 5 p.m. Thursday.

The board will review complaints starting tomorrow. About 250 persons have been before the board since hearings started earlier this month. The board heard about 16 this morning, and expected to hear about the same number this afternoon.

Tension Mounts In Truck Strike As 'Crisis' Nears

Los Angeles —(U.P.)— Tension grew today in the Western states as trucking industry leaders indicated a "crisis point" in a general truck tieup could be expected before tonight.

Industry leaders have called on all Western for-hire trucking firms to shut down operations in retaliation for a strike by AFL Teamsters against three major long-haul carriers.

Cooperation Expected

"We expect almost complete cooperation by trucking companies in the industry's decision to shut down operations," one industry spokesman said. "The gradual shutdown should be nearly complete by tonight."

Only truckers whose contracts had expired were involved in the far-reaching dispute which began last Thursday, according to the California Trucking Association. But now, the CTA warned, nearly 95 per cent may be hit.

95 Per Cent Effective

A CTA spokesman said as of yesterday the shutdown was already 95 per cent effective in Oregon, Washington, Utah, Idaho and Arizona, scaling down to lesser percentages in the other Western states.

Industry estimates placed the number of drivers, dock and office workers involved in the dispute over wages at 150,000, but the teamsters challenged the figure saying it was less than 10,000.

Meanwhile, Frank Brewster, president of the Western Conference of Teamsters, said he was willing to meet with industry officials in an effort to settle the dispute.

Portland —(U.P.)— AFL Teamsters here today told 11 local trucking firms the union is ready to provide drivers for work "if and when work is provided."

The firms shut down operations in retaliation against the union after teamsters struck three major long-haul trucking firms last Thursday. The firms said a strike against one was a strike against all.

Clyde C. Crosby, teamsters' international representative here, said the union had sent letters to the 11 companies protesting the "lockout" and offering to provide drivers.

ASHLAND CLUB FILES

Salem —(U.P.)— Articles of incorporation were filed here today for the Lions Club of Ashland, Oregon, Inc. They were signed by Christian P. Hald, Alvin L. Fellers and Donald M. Mitchell.

12 Rural Schools To Close Friday for Summer Vacation

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Graduation Dates

Graduation exercises, which were held at Prospect Friday night, will start in other rural schools Wednesday night when high school seniors at Talent and Ashland receive diplomas. Talent schools close May 31, and Ashland closes June 1.

Commencement exercises for Rogue River school, which closes May 27, will be held Thursday night, and seniors at Butte Falls will receive diplomas Friday night. School at Butte Falls closes Friday.

Other graduation exercises are scheduled for May 31 at

Cooperation Stressed On Armed Forces Day

Maj. Gen. William T. Hefley told an Armed Forces Day audience yesterday that "it is essential that there be a close cooperation and understanding between the members of the civilian community and members of the armed forces."

General Hefley, commander Sacramento Air Material Area, McClelland Air Force base, Calif., was principal speaker at Armed Forces Day ceremonies at municipal airport.

6000 Attend

City police, who handled parking, estimated that about 6,000 people were at the airport during the day for the Armed Forces day program. The largest crowd at any one time was about 3,000, they estimated.

The main talk was delayed about 20 minutes while a navy patrol bomber, an unscheduled exhibit, took off, followed by an air force transport plane carrying

Pared Money Bill Sent To President

Washington —(U.P.)— The House passed and sent to President Eisenhower today a \$3,322,488,000 money bill to run the Treasury and Post Office departments.

The amount was \$37,896,500 below President Eisenhower's budget request. The Post Office suffered the biggest cut of \$33,096,000.

That prompted Rep. Earl Wilson (R-Ind.), to predict that "a lot of people will be screaming about poor service" and will force Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield to ask for more money later.

The bill appropriated \$599,598,000 for the Treasury; \$2,721,720,500 for the Post Office department, and \$1,170,000 for the U. S. Tax court.

Mr. Eisenhower signed another money measure which allots \$106,000,000 more for farm programs than he proposed.

The measure carried \$697,917,855 in direct appropriations — \$20,185,897 more than requested—and authorized \$11,000,000 more in lending authority and \$75,000,000 more in agricultural conservation subsidies than the budget asked.

18th Idaho Child Stricken With Polio

Boise —(U.P.)— A six-year-old girl from Paul, Jeanene Garner, today was listed as the 18th Idaho child who contracted polio after inoculation with Salk vaccine.

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Aleutian Natives Ready To Shoot Japan Workers

Anchorage, Alaska —(U.P.)— Aleutian island natives today were reported ready to shoot any Japanese workers who might be landed on their islands to carry out a salvage project.

"The rumor that the Aleuts have loaded their guns and are prepared to use them if Japs are landed apparently is more fact than fancy on the island of Atka," said William Olson, area director of the Alaska Native Service. Olson just returned here from a tour of the Aleutian chain.

A proposal to use Japanese laborers for a scrap iron salvage operation in the islands has been made by the Bankers Life and Casualty Co., Chicago, which holds a salvage contract in the area.