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WEATHER

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Water Contracts Sanctioned; Talent Project in Work Slate

One-Sided Vote OKs Government Repayment Pacts

Funds to Rehabilitate District Canal System

A light but one-sided vote Friday by water users of two irrigation districts in the valley approved repayment contracts with the federal government for rehabilitation of the districts' canal systems.

In the Medford Irrigation district the vote was 163 yes, 6 no; in the Rogue River Valley district it was 96 yes, 4 no. A total of about 1,150 voters was eligible, but only 269 cast ballots.

Contract Authorized

In each district, the board of directors is now authorized to enter into a 40-year, interest-free repayment contract with the bureau of reclamation, which will handle the rehabilitation work.

The over-all project, which is planned to be completed over a six-year period, will cost an estimated \$1,712,000. The first phase, reconstruction of spillways at Four Mile and Fish lakes and some of the more vital sections of canal rehabilitation work, will cost an estimated \$350,000, which sum was appropriated by congress last week.

The Friday election was the last step to be completed before the contract is signed and bids are awarded.

Bids Submitted

Bids on the spillway jobs have already been submitted. The R. K. Shelton Construction company, Roseburg, made the low bid \$69,551.50 for the two projects, \$9,810.50 below the engineers' estimates. The other bid, for \$104,345, was submitted by the E-W Construction company, Eugene. Work on each project is to be completed within 120 days after receipt of notice to proceed.

The bureau can now get other phases of the rehabilitation project ready for bids.

The need for work on the canal systems has been acknowledged for several years. Breaks have been frequent and increasing in number for some time, and each represents a considerable hazard to irrigated crops on the valley floor.

No Federal Funds

The waterworks of the two districts were constructed without the use of federal funds, and the recent appropriation is the first time the districts have sought federal assistance for any of the extensive canal systems. Four Mile and Fish lakes are the two main reservoirs, and are connected by the Cascade canal.

From Fish lake, water comes down the North Fork of Little Butte creek, and is diverted above Lake creek into the main canal, which is jointly owned by the two districts, as are the reservoirs and higher workings. The canal brings the water down to Bradshaw drop, southwest of Brownsboro, where the water is divided between the districts.

The rest of the way to the valley floor, the districts have their own distribution systems.

Moffett Field, Calif. — (U.P.) — Navy officials Saturday identified the pilot killed when his jet fighter crashed into San Francisco Bay Friday as Ensign Richard R. Carlston, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Carlston of Sierra Madre, Calif.

Police Search Home

Earlier yesterday police and FBI agents, armed with pick and shovel, methodically searched Abbott's home, after his wife, Mrs. Georgia Abbott, notified police that the couple had found a purse containing identifying papers of Stephanie.

Police started probing early yesterday morning and located a pair of eyeglasses and several

Sports Bulletins

Roseburg—Medford Cheney Studs handed Roseburg a 6 to 1 defeat in a Southern Oregon league baseball game here last night. The teams will play the second game of the series at 2 p.m. today.

Sacramento, Calif. — (U.P.) Carlos Bernier's single and Bob Hall's triple drove home two runs in the top of the 10th inning to give the Hollywood Stars a 5-3 victory over Sacramento Saturday night to enable Bob Garber to become the first Pacific Coast League pitcher to notch 14 wins.

Kansas City — (U.P.) — The Washington Senators spotted Kansas City six runs in the first inning, then worked up hill the rest of the way to emerge with an 8-7 victory in an American League baseball game here Saturday night.

Mindszenty Said Freed by Hungary; Details Awaited

Vienna, Austria — (U.P.) — Communist Hungary announced Saturday it has released Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty after nearly seven years of imprisonment.

Budapest radio said the Hungarian government agreed to a "suspension" of the Hungarian primate's life sentence on charges of treason "because of his bad health condition and his age."

"His place of residence is a church building selected by the Hungarian bishops," the broadcast said.

The announcement indicated the Communists did not plan to let the 63-year-old archbishop who became a martyr of the Roman Catholic church resume his religious activities.

May Be Confined

Presumably he would be carefully confined to a certain locality in much the same manner as Yugoslavia paroled Aloysius Cardinal Stepinac in his native village.

Mindszenty was the first prince of the church to face a civil court in modern times. His arrest and conviction after a five-day show trial before a people's court made him Catholicism's greatest living symbol of Communist persecution.

Mindszenty, Roman Catholic primate of Hungary, was arrested by the Communist government in Budapest Dec. 27, 1948, on charges of treason, espionage and black market dealings.

He was convicted and sentenced to life in prison on Feb. 8, 1949. All persons who took part in the cardinal's prosecution were excommunicated by Pope Pius XII.

Washington — (U.P.) — Officials said Saturday that Red Hungary's reported release of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty undoubtedly was timed to coincide with the Communist world's pre-Geneva peace campaign.

The State Department withheld comment pending receipt of a complete report from the U.S. legation at Budapest.

Officials want to know if Mindszenty actually has been freed and if so, what conditions if any were tied to his release.

The Medford Clinic, in the Medical Center Building, Sixth st. and Central ave., where Dr. Sleeter practiced, will be closed all day Tuesday in his memory.

Boy's Underwater Game Nearly Costs His Life

Milwaukie, Ore. — (U.P.) — An 11-year-old boy's game of "underwater demolition expert" nearly cost him his life Friday.

The boy, Robert Draper, was swimming underwater at the Milwaukie Junior High school pool when water suddenly penetrated the face mask he was wearing.

Appropriation to Be Diverted to Job Plans, Bid Drawing

Construction Funds Expected in Year

The Talent project is included in the bureau of reclamation's work schedule for fiscal 1956, Harold T. Nelson, Boise, Ida., regional director of the bureau, said Saturday.

Congress has appropriated \$150,000 for Talent. It was originally intended for advance planning on the Howard Prairie dam, a main canal tunnel below the dam and the Green Springs power plant, Nelson told United Press. But, because advance planning is already virtually complete, the money will be diverted to preparing job plans and specifications for bid, he said.

Construction Seen Sooner

Construction funds have not yet been authorized for the Talent project, but the action announced yesterday means that the work can be put out for bids immediately after construction funds become available, probably a year from now. It is expected that actual construction can be under way by the fall of 1956.

The schedule of the bureau for fiscal 1956 (July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1956) also includes initial work on the rehabilitation of the canal systems of the Medford and Rogue Valley Irrigation districts. A total of \$350,000 for this work was authorized by congress.

Jobs Oks Contract

(The last hurdle to the rehabilitation project was cleared Friday when water users of the two districts overwhelmingly voted authority to their directors to enter into repayment contracts with the bureau.)

The announcement that the \$150,000 for the Talent project means that the \$22,000,000 project is nearer than it ever has been, and almost a full year closer than was expected after Congress cut a proposed \$500,000 appropriation back to \$150,000.

Dr. Sleeter Rites Will Be Tuesday

Funeral services for Dr. Robert W. Sleeter, well known Medford physician, will be held at the First Presbyterian church at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. The Rev. John Reynolds will officiate.

Dr. Sleeter died suddenly Thursday morning in Arco, Idaho, while on a trip with his wife and a daughter.

Interment will take place in Siskiyou Memorial Park with officers of Medford Elks Lodge 1188 holding graveside services. William A. Barker, H. D. Christensen, Curtis Barnes, Charles Barnes, A. N. Potter Jr., and Otto Frohnmayer will be honorary pall bearers. Active pall bearers include Drs. Oscar T. Heyerman, Roland M. Mayer, William J. Miller, Otto R. Emig, John T. Brandenburg and Charles W. Lemery.

The Jackson County Medical Society will attend the services as a group.

Friends desiring to pay last respects Dr. Sleeter may call at Per I funeral home on Monday evening.

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Maybe Junior's Cat Is Still in Commode

Longview, Tex. — (U.P.) — Longview plumber Tommy Daniels said he got a hurry-up call Saturday from a frantic woman who told him: "Junior just flushed our cat down the commode. He's holding his tail to keep it from going all the way down. Please hurry."

The woman hung up before Daniels could get her name or address.

President Arrives At Geneva for Big Four Parley

Soviet Delegates Expected Sunday

Geneva — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower arrived here Saturday night for next week's top-level Big Four talks, bringing with him "the good will of America, the great hope of America, the desire of the American people for peace."

The U. S. President was the last to arrive of the three western chiefs of government who will join Russia in a historic quest for atomic-age peace.

His special plane landed at Cointrin Airport at 7:56 p.m., shortly after the arrival of Prime Minister Anthony Eden and Premier Edgar Faure. Mr. Eisenhower is the first U. S. chief executive to visit Europe since the Potsdam conference which marked the splitting of East and West.

Russians Due Sunday

The Soviet conferees were not expected here until early Sunday.

Soviet Premier Nikolai A. Bulganin arrived in East Berlin by plane from Moscow.

In a brief speech at the airport, Bulganin said the Russian delegation was going to Geneva "with the sincere wish to find means for lessening tensions and the restoration of trust in the relations among states as well as for the settlement of unsolved questions."

The Soviet premier, accompanied by Communist party secretary Nikita Khrushchev and Defense Minister Georgi Zhukov, made the stopover in East Berlin to confer with East German Premier Otto Grotewohl on the summit meeting.

Two U. S. Air Force helicopters hovered over the airport for 45 minutes before the President landed, ready to deal with any suspicious activity or to offer aid in case of a crash in landing.

At least 30 American security agents patrolled the field while the President was there, alert for any sign of trouble. None developed.

Mr. Eisenhower said he was "deeply touched" by the warmth of the welcome he received in this temporary World Capital.

"It is barely 11 years ago that I came to Europe with an army and navy, with the single purpose of destroying Nazism," he said. "I come with the formations of war, under the circumstances that were surrounding war."

"This time I come with something more powerful — the good will of America, the great hope of America, the desire of the American people for peace."

Mr. Eisenhower said he came to Geneva "to find if it is not possible to lead the world to a more tranquil, better fuller way of life."

The crowd at the airport listened to the President's speech in absolute silence, then roared its applause.

Mrs. Parsons Funeral To Be Held Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Maude Bemis Parsons, who died Friday at the family home on Hillcrest rd. will be held at 4 p.m. Monday in St. Mark's Episcopal church. The Rev. George R. V. Bolster will officiate.

Mrs. Parsons was the wife of the late Reginald H. Parsons, Seattle.

Honorary pall bearers include George Roberts, Alfred Carpenter, Fred Bayliss, Robert Frame, Donald Clark, Eddie W. Carlton, Robert Ruhl, H. B. Murphey, Eddie Burgess, and Dr. C. I. Drummond. Active pall bearers will be Robert Norris, William Newhall, Bayard Getchell, Warren Bayliss, Clyde Sturgill and W. H. Reichstein.

It is the request of the family that flowers be omitted at the services and, in lieu, a contribution be made to the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital.

Concluding services will be held at Seattle. Per I Funeral home is in charge of local arrangements.

Riot in Wyoming Convicts Win Pledged Guards Discharged

Psychiatrist Takes Stand in Murder Trial of White

Defense Witnesses to Testify on Monday

The trial of Bernice Hampton (Tex) White, accused of first degree murder, was recessed Saturday until 9:30 a.m. Monday. Reason for the delay was the inability of defense witnesses to testify until then.

The Saturday session lasted slightly over an hour. Dr. Gerhard Haugen, M.D., a Portland psychiatrist, was called to the stand by the state. Consent of the defense and judge was necessary as the state had already rested its case.

White is charged with the first degree murder of Eugene Raymond Birk, 32, Phoenix Birk died in an Ashland hospital March 2 after being fatally injured by blows over the head. He received the injuries March 2 at a Talent mill where both he and White were employed.

Condition Rare

Dr. Haugen, a practicing psychiatrist since 1936, testified that "temporary insanity" is a rare condition, but does occur. Such a condition would include a "cloudy consciousness," he said. The person afflicted would have "no memory of what happened" during the time of its effect, the doctor declared.

District Attorney Walter Nunley asked if it is possible for a man with petit mal epilepsy to bring on seizures voluntarily. In some cases, the doctor testified, it was. In determining the presence of an epileptic condition, Dr. Haugen said, electroencephalograph (EEG) tests are helpful but not conclusive proof.

Lack of Awareness

Under cross-examination, the doctor said that people can have "psycho-motor seizures" and walk about normally. But they would afterwards be "absolutely unaware of what took place during that time." Violent behavior is possible during such seizures, the psychiatrist added.

Repeated questioning by the defense, Dr. Haugen stated that it was his "corroborated" opinion that unless there is loss of memory, the condition in question cannot be considered an epileptic seizure. Defense Attorney Robert Duncan then quoted a Los Angeles neurologist writing in a recent issue of a medical magazine.

"Violent behavior without amnesia," Duncan read, "has been termed epilepsy but must be confirmed by a EEG."

Examinations Described

In Friday afternoon proceedings, Dr. James C. Luce, Eagle Point neurological surgeon was called as a witness for the defense. He testified concerning examinations given White June 8 and other times since he was jailed. These included general physical exam, neurological exam, pumping air into his spinal column and brain, taking X-rays of his head, and testing with an EEG.

Dr. Luce said that he found "a significant abnormality compatible with a convulsive state." His diagnosis, he said, indicated convulsive seizures on the basis of probable degenerative changes within the brain, compatible with changes that follow a remote injury.

He expressed the belief that there would be periods when White's behavior would not be normal on an inconsistent pattern.

Typical Case

On cross examination, Dr. Luce described White's condition as a typical case of epilepsy, with the exception of the brain tissue degeneration. He said he had no way of determining whether White is sane or insane.

He admitted, hesitantly, that by taking several deep breaths, thus increasing the amount of oxygen in the body, it might be possible for an epileptic to bring about a seizure of the type with which White is most frequently afflicted.

Pittsburg — (U.P.) — A practical joker spilled shampoo into a fountain in this city's new gateway center yesterday. The fountain's "Forever Blowing Bubbles."



BEAUTY BY THE DOZEN—From here, there and everywhere the world's contestants for the title of "Miss Universe" are arriving at Long Beach, Calif., these days. This group is being greeted by Miriam Stevenson, 1954 contest winner, lower left. Lower right is Margaret Rowe, Miss England and between the two is Leonor Carache, Miss Ecuador.

Miss Universe Girls In Native Costumes

Long Beach, Calif. — (U.P.) — Seventy five beauties from 32 nations and 42 states paraded in native costumes at Veterans Memorial stadium last night in their first public appearance of the 1955 Miss Universe pageant to receive the city's welcome.

The stadium, with a capacity of 10,000, was nearly filled with spectators who paid up to \$3 each to see the cream of the world's feminine beauty. Proceeds went to the Children's Memorial hospital fund.

Girls Perfectly Groomed

Despite an ever-increasing pace of rehearsals, fittings and posing for pictures, the girls appeared perfectly groomed and composed in the march around the stadium with an escort of military color guards bearing state and national flags. They were led by Miriam Stevenson, current Miss Universe.

The feature of the evening was an exchange of gifts between Mayor George M. Vermillion and the contestants. The mayor presented each with a key

Sutherland House Fire Claims Second Victim

Roseburg — (U.P.) — Death toll of a fire that destroyed the four-room Charles E. Williams home east of Sutherland Friday reached two when two-year-old Preston Wilkerson died in a Roseburg hospital of burns suffered in the blaze.

The tot's younger brother, Benton Wilkerson, one, died in the fire. Their grandmother, Mrs. Charles B. Williams, 46, was also hospitalized with severe burns suffered when she tried to rescue the children.

The boys were the sons of Mrs. Mollie Wilkerson of Harrisburg.

Rodney Keating Named To Centennial Commission

Salem — (U.P.) Gov. Paul L. Patterson has appointed nine members of the Oregon centennial commission, whose terms begin today and end Dec. 31, 1961.

The members are Anthony Brandenthaler of Baker, Rodney Keating of Medford, Jack likely of Springfield, and S. F. Woodbury, C. W. Wheeler, Bruce Bishop, Howard Lane, Morrie Sharp, and C. B. Stephenson all of Portland.

Third Hostage Held; Governor Barred From Cells

20 National Guardsmen Added to Armed Cordon

Rawlins, Wyo. — (U.P.) — Eighty convicts who rioted at the Wyoming State prison won their major point last night when Warden Deane Miller announced that two hated guards had been freed.

But the convicts still refused to release one of their three hostage guards, although he was sick. And they would not agree to allow Gov. Milward Simpson into the cell block where they are barricaded.

Simpson called up 20 National Guardsmen in the Rawlins area and added them to the armed cordon surrounding the beleaguered cell block. But he gave no indication that he intended to force the issue and risk bloodshed.

Talks With Spokesman

Miller talked several times last night by prison telephone to Norman Hodges, one of the four spokesmen selected by the rebel convicts to air their grievances and negotiate with prison officials.

Miller told Hodges during his latest telephone conversation that the board of charities and reform had fired cell block captain Ben Reeves and guard Bill Coppenger, against whom the convicts vented months of suppressed fury with their impromptu insurrection yesterday morning.

Reeves broke away from the convicts who jumped him, and Coppenger was not in the cell block when the riot began. No official comment has been made on the charges made by the convicts that Reeves and Coppenger were tyrannical malefactors who treated prisoners like "daws."

The convicts blacked out the cell block last night and stacked mattresses near the windows. But prison officials did not know whether they were erecting barricades against an assault, or intended to burn the mattresses in another demonstration of ire.

Simpson, prison and state officials and newsmen were all gathered in the prison office while Miller made trip after trip to the switchboard trying to arrange a second parley. Yesterday afternoon the convicts demanded that Reeves and Coppenger be "immediately discharged" and spelled out a number of other grievances to Miller and other officials who submitted to search before entering the cell block.

But Governor Simpson demanded that the hostage guard who had been taken ill—apparently not seriously—be released and that an armed guard accompany him to a bargaining conference. To this the convicts would not agree.

Newsmen, who expected to go to the second parley if it could be arranged, listened over Miller's shoulder when he first spoke with Hodges by telephone last night. But Miller had no time to explain what the inmate spokesman had said, so reporters heard only one side of the discussion.

The spokesman for the prisoners complained of treatment by two guards, poor food, improper medical care and lack of recreation.

Darrell Miller Named To Budget Committee

Darrell M. Miller, 317 South Groveland ave., has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the citizens' budget committee created when A. C. Fries Jr. resigned recently. Mayor Earl Miller has announced.

Darrell Miller served on the Klamath Falls city council and council committees prior to moving to Medford in Nov., 1952. He holds a law degree from the University of Oregon and was admitted to the bar in 1940.

He owns and operates the Oldsmobile garage, 415 South Riverside ave.

Fries resigned from the committee to move to Ashland, where he will manage the new U. S. National Bank.

Newsmen Given Inside Look at Los Alamos Laboratory

Los Alamos, N.M. — (U.P.) — Newsmen were permitted Saturday their first glimpse of the scientific wizardry of the Los Alamos scientific laboratory that produced the dread atomic and hydrogen bombs and inaugurated the atomic era.

Their visit marked the 10th anniversary of mankind's first nuclear explosion. Blast Anniversary

Undergarment Gives Clue To Missing Berkeley Girl

Alameda, Calif. — (U.P.) — Police last night found a girl's undergarment which they said "could be" that of missing 14-year-old Stephanie Bryan under the home of a University of California student.

Berkeley Police Captain John Laird said a brassiere was found in sand in the basement of the home of 27-year-old student Burton Abbott.

Police Search Home

Earlier yesterday police and FBI agents, armed with pick and shovel, methodically searched Abbott's home, after his wife, Mrs. Georgia Abbott, notified police that the couple had found a purse containing identifying papers of Stephanie.

schoolbooks beneath the floorboards in the basement, which they said had definitely been identified as those of the young girl, missing since April 28.

Laird said that Abbott's record was "clear" of any past criminal offenses.

Questioned by Police

Abbott was being questioned by police and the Alameda county district attorney's office about the brassiere, the eyeglasses and the books.

Stephanie had been the object of a widespread search since she disappeared on her way home from school, April 28. She was feared a kidnap victim when witnesses told police a young girl was seen struggling to free herself from the grasp of a man driving a gray sedan near the Bryan home.