

36 Japanese Girls Drown When Hit By Ocean Wave

Future of Talbott Decision for President

Lack of Verdict By Investigators Thought Possible

Adjournment Seen Before Report Made

Washington (U.P.)—President Eisenhower must decide the future of Air Force Secretary Harold E. Talbott without a verdict from Senate investigators, authoritative sources said today.

At least two members of the Senate investigating subcommittee urged a speedy report on the group's inquiry into the \$60,000-a-year business partnership which Talbott kept while in the Pentagon.

Leaving Firm

Talbott announced Wednesday at the end of the investigation that he is pulling out of the firm.

But a high source said the staff could not draft a report and get agreement of the subcommittee members before this session of Congress ends and the seven senators scatter.

This probably would delay the official report until January.

The delay would leave Mr. Eisenhower to decide for himself whether Talbott violated government ethics. He would have available the testimony in the case, but not the subcommittee's opinion.

Will Make Personal Study

The Chief Executive told his news conference Wednesday that he will make an intensive personal study of the Talbott case. He refrained from passing any judgment on Talbott.

Mr. Eisenhower said there was no suggestion of fraud or illegality in the case. But he said it is not enough for a man in public office merely to be innocent of illegal actions—there are also questions of ethics, and on such matters, he said, a public official must be impeccable.

He said Talbott had performed almost brilliantly as Air Force secretary, and had been his personal friend for some years.

Mundt Favors Report

But Sen. Karl E. Mundt (R-S.D.) told newsmen he thought the subcommittee should study the evidence over the week end and begin work on a report next week.

"It should be a comparative simple report, because the areas of criticism are relatively limited," Mundt said. "I hope it won't be approached in a partisan spirit."

And Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) said, "I think there should be an early report by the subcommittee. We have the problem of last-minute legislation which will necessarily slow down issuance of a report. Nevertheless, I hope a report will be made without delay."

Flood of Resignation Rumors

Rumors that Talbott would—or would not—resign from his post flooded Washington in the wake of his withdrawal from Paul B. Mulligan & Co., management engineers.

Talbott told a United Press reporter firmly that he did not intend to resign as secretary. When an aide intervened with "no comment," Talbott amended his answer to "no comment." Later, when pressed by other newsmen, he denied making the statement.

812 Cases of Polio Reported in Week

Washington (U.P.)—The public Health Service said today 812 cases of polio were reported in the nation last week, compared to 567 during the preceding week.

While the overall national increase was no greater than expected at this time of year, New England showed a striking 190 per cent jump in polio cases over the previous week.

Other northern areas, which have been suffering from a July heat wave, also showed higher than normal polio rates. Wisconsin reported 40 cases last week, compared to 14 the previous week. Michigan, where the rate climbed to 31 cases the previous week, was up to 36 last week. New York has 42 cases compared to 43 the week before.

Despite the big jump in northern states, the nationwide total of 812 was far below the figure of 1169 cases reported for the comparable week of 1954.

Resolutions Debated By Labor Convention In Morning Session

Fifteen resolutions were disposed of this morning, leaving 50 yet to be acted upon by the 53rd annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Labor.

Delegates will continue debate this afternoon and tomorrow.

Eleven committees yesterday prepared reports on each of the resolutions and are now making their recommendations to the convention for approval or rejection.

Subject of major concern this morning was a resolution to change the federation's method of electing officers. The amendment would have provided for election of federation officers by delegates to the convention in the election year.

Proposal Defeated

Presently the officers are nominated at the convention and elected by a referendum vote in each of the local unions.

The resolution was soundly defeated after 20 minutes debate. Only other measure bringing considerable debate to amend the federation's constitution as to the method of introducing resolutions. It provided that all resolutions must be presented to the federation office 15 days before the convention opening, except that resolutions could be proposed from the floor before the end of the second day with a majority of delegates consenting.

The measure barely passed by the necessary two-thirds vote.

Others Approved

Other resolutions coming before the convention, all receiving a favorable vote:

Urged the American Legion to change its planned Miami Beach site for the 1955 convention;

Asked for higher tariff on Japanese plywood imports; Supported the Murray-Dingell

Improvements Slated At Four Mile Lake

Improvements at Four Mile lake to make camp and picnic sites available are expected to start later this summer, Jack Wood, supervisor of Rogue River National forest, said today.

Roads will be extended a short distance around the lake, Wood said. Improvements on the Four Mile lake road were completed last year, and sanitary facilities are available.

Wood said the number of camp sites has not fully been determined, but probably will depend on how much the lake is used by campers.

Funds for Four Mile lake improvements were made available in the budget for 1955-56 fiscal year, which started July 1.

Central Point Man Gets Reappointment

Salem (U.P.)—Gov. Paul Patterson's office today announced the appointments of Miss Gertrude Boyd Crane of Forest Grove to the Washington County Public Welfare Commission and Mrs. Dorothy Eggleston of Scappoose to the Columbia county commission.

Fred H. Cockell, Milwaukie was re-appointed to the State Board of Agriculture, representing poultry, and Harry Dunn, Central Point, was appointed to the potato commission.

Grants Pass Woman Dies In Wreck Near Madera

Madera, Calif. (U.P.)—Mrs. Kermit Snyder, 31, of Grants Pass, Ore., was killed today when the car in which she was riding overturned on Highway 99 north of here. Seriously injured were her husband and two young sons.

Weather FORECAST: Fair and mild through Friday. Low tonight 50. High Friday 88.

Rhodes bill in Congress amending the Taft-Hartley act; Asked for an itemized list of deductions on pay checks; Favored a bill in Congress forcing the executive branch of the government to recognize unions of postal and federal employees;

Condemned the federal 20 per cent amusement tax; Favored elimination of unsanitary conditions in the poultry industry;

Ask for Holiday Supported a legal holiday on Franklin Delano Roosevelt's birthday;

Condemned discrimination against AFL teachers; and Endorsed the aims of the Oregon Historical Society.

Three other minor resolutions dealing with the federation's constitution were adopted.

During a break in debate, AFL organizer Claude Shafer spoke briefly about the Aluminum Company of Canada project in Kitimat, B.C. The plant, he declared, will be the largest in the free world when completed.

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Annual Roundup Starting Tomorrow

The three-day Rogue River Roundup will get under way at 4 p.m. tomorrow with a parade through downtown Medford. It will feature some 200 riders, according to Tony Boitano, chairman.

The first rodeo will be held at the posse grounds at 7:30 p.m. with the grand entry, drills on horseback and rodeo events.

A parade at 2 p.m. Saturday will feature horsemen, commercial and organizational floats, sports cars, and other entries. Keith and Clarice Moon, Klamath Falls, and their matched palominos, "Golden Linda" and "Country Wheat," will be in both parades.

Both parades will begin at Sixth and Ivy sts., move down Main st. to Riverside ave., then back Sixth to Holly st., where it will disband.

The Saturday rodeo will also begin at 7:30 p.m., and the Sunday show will be at 2 p.m. The Jackson County Mounted Sheriff's posse is sponsoring the roundup for the 13th year.

Tickets are on sale at the corner of Main st. and Central ave.

Two More Summer Band Concerts Scheduled

Two more summer band concerts, tonight and tomorrow evening, are scheduled, according to I. A. Mirick, director.

The final summer concert presented last night by the junior high 95-piece band was reported well attended. Tonight, the city summer grade school band will present its final concert, and tomorrow, the adult concert band will bring to an end the season's free concerts sponsored by the city's schools.

Both concerts will begin at 8 p.m.

Ike Showing Strain of Heavy Schedule; Vacation in Colorado Slated Next Month

Washington (U.P.)—President Eisenhower, showing definite fatigue from his punishing summer schedule, won't have a real chance for a rest until he goes to Colorado next month, members of his staff said today.

Only Most Urgent Work They hope he will be able then to put aside all but the most urgent work and concentrate for a week or two on golf and fishing. He will arrive in Colorado sometime after the close of Congress.

Mr. Eisenhower was on the go during most of June and July and returned from the Geneva conference at the start of the week showing, if not feeling, the effects of his busy schedule.



PERSONAL STUDY—President Eisenhower tells news...

NO CHANCE FOR ROAD PROGRAM THIS YEAR

Washington (U.P.)—President Eisenhower strongly urged Congress today to revive and pass his highway program before adjournment. He was immediately told there isn't a chance.

The House yesterday rejected not only the President's highway expansion plan but also a Democratic substitute. A big difference was over methods of financing the multi-billion dollar proposals, with special bonds under the President's plan, new taxes under the Democratic.

In a special White House statement, Mr. Eisenhower asserted that "contention over the method could not be permitted to deny our people these critically needed roads."

Rayburn Sees No Chance Speaker Sam Rayburn agreed with that. But he said there is "no chance of getting a bill up this session, none whatever."

House Democratic Leader John W. McCormack of Massachusetts blamed Republicans for killing the highway expansion program. He said "the President will certainly have to do a lot of work among his own members even to get a bill next year."

Rep. George A. Dondero (R-Mich.), who sponsored the President's plan, had this to say about chances of reviving the measure: "If I had to bet on it, I wouldn't use my own money."

Nixon May Visit Moscow Within Year

Washington (U.P.)—A possibility that Vice President Richard M. Nixon may visit Moscow within the next year was raised today by an informed source.

This source revealed that Nixon for some time has been considering a tour of Western Europe sometime later this year.

While there has been nothing definite on a Russian trip for Nixon, the informant said that, under certain circumstances, there is a possibility Nixon would extend his contemplated European tour to include Moscow. The conditional circumstances, the source said, would include among other things the outcome of the October Big Four foreign ministers meeting at Geneva.

BLM Assistant Forester Promoted, Transferred

R. C. (Bud) Burgess, assistant district forester for the Medford district, bureau of land management, bureau of the Lakeview range and forest district, it was announced here today.

Burgess has been one of four assistant district foresters in the Medford district. Prior to working for the bureau, he was a consulting forester at Baker, Ore., for several years, and had 29 years of experience with the U.S. forest service. No one has yet been selected to fill his post.

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess will move this week from their residence at the Barnes Apartments, 230 11th st. They have lived in Medford for approximately one year.

'Sincere Regret' Told by Bulgaria In Plane Incident

57 Reported Killed; 12 Were Americans

Athens (U.P.)—Red Bulgaria confessed today its anti-aircraft guns along the Greek border blasted an Israeli airliner from the skies killing 57 persons including 12 Americans. The United States was expected to demand indemnity for the death of American citizens.

Israel promptly made a sharp protest to Bulgaria. The United States and possibly the Soviet Union were expected to make some similar action.

The United States was reported in Washington drafting a note to the Bulgarian Communists protesting the deaths of the 12 Americans and demanding information on the incident.

Athens, Greece (U.P.)—Communist Bulgaria admitted with "sincere regret" today that its anti-aircraft guns shot down an Israeli airliner yesterday with the loss of 57 lives, including 12 Americans.

The Bulgarian regime, in a broadcast by Sofia Radio, said Bulgarian anti-aircraft batteries shot down the El Al Israel Airline Constellation near the Greek border. But the broadcast claimed the plane had wandered over the border into Bulgarian airspace.

First Official Word It was the first official word from the Communist government of Bulgaria on the fate of those aboard the blue and silver airliner which crashed in flames some five miles behind the Iron Curtain in one of the costliest incidents of the cold war.

The Sofia broadcast, ending 24 hours of Communist silence, came shortly after the Israeli legation in Athens announced the plane exploded in air and fell to earth in three flaming segments after Greek border guards heard four gunshots.

The Bulgarian broadcast said Foreign Minister Mincho Niechev would head a commission to investigate the disaster—fifth greatest in the history of commercial aviation.

UN Attention Demanded The incident brought demands in Washington that it be brought to the attention of the United Nations.

El Al Airlines announced the plane carried a crew of seven and 50 passengers, including 12 persons listed as Americans or alien residents of the United States.

Following is the official list of Americans who boarded the Constellation in Paris as announced by the company here:

Rachel Avram, Bronx, N.Y.; Ora Cohen, New York; Pincus Ingberman, Brooklyn; Deborah Sacks, Rivga Sacks, Annie Sacks, all of New York; Abram Mann, only address listed U.S.A., identified by radio station WEVD as A. M. Goffman, Brooklyn, who conducts a radio health program as "Dr. Mann."

Previously unoffically listed as aboard the plane were: Mrs. Tuba Shafer, Brooklyn; Mrs. Zahava Sheinbaum, New York, wife of a New York book publisher, Mrs. M. Katz, Miss Katz and Mr. Hamiery.

O&C Grant Lands Ruled US Property

Washington (U.P.)—The U.S. Court of Appeals ruled unanimously today that all Oregon & California railroad grant lands in western Oregon are "clearly" the property of the United States.

The Appeals Court affirmed an earlier District Court ruling. The case was initiated by Clackamas county, Ore., which strenuously protested the transfer last year of 472,000 acres of timberland from the Interior Department's Bureau of Land Management to the Agriculture Department's Forest Service.

Clackamas county wanted the lands left under the land management bureau which administers the rest of the 2,900,000-acre Oregon & California tract. It argued that the transfer threatened to cut its income from the lands.

Portland (U.P.)—The British cruiser HMS Superb pulled away from the seawall at the Willamette river here today and headed toward the Pacific after a visit of several days.

Malheur Citizens Want Health Board Restored

Ontario (U.P.)—A movement by citizens' groups to demand immediate restoration of the Malheur county health department was launched here today and a mass protest meeting was scheduled for tomorrow night at the county courthouse in Vale.

The department was left without personnel when the resignation of Mrs. Edna Ferris, county health nurse, was announced this week.

Mrs. Ferris said she was taking a job with the State Health Department and commented that she was tired trying to get adequate funds from an unsympathetic county court.

Today Coolest July 28 On Records of Bureau

Today was the coolest July 28 in 39 years in Medford and vicinity. This morning's minimum temperature of 46 degrees tied the lowest reading on record for this date at the Medford station of the weather bureau. A 46-degree low was recorded here in 1916.

Washington (U.P.)—President Eisenhower today went to the Burning Tree Club for an afternoon round of golf.

Midnight Fiesta Planned for Race With SP's Train

Roseburg (U.P.)—A midnight watermelon feed and a street dance will entertain spectators this week end as they wait here for the end of the 75-mile race between horsemen and the Southern Pacific's "Rogue River" passenger train from Eugene.

Riders from Douglas and Lane counties mounted sheriff's posses and saddle clubs from Cottage Grove, Yoncalla, Sutherlin and Myrtle Creek will take the course in mile relays.

Try To Beat Train Horsemen will attempt to beat the passenger train's scheduled time of 3 hours 28 minutes between Eugene and Roseburg, to point up southern Oregon's need for faster passenger service.

Southern Pacific has announced plans to abandon the Portland-Ashland passenger train Aug. 7 but the state Public Utilities Commission ordered service to continue.

Chamber Votes Protest Ashland — Directors of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce this week voted to send a strong letter of protest to the Oregon public utilities commissioner over the proposed termination of Southern Pacific passenger service between Ashland and Portland.

The railroad has announced plans to end the service Aug. 7. Earlier this month the directors wrote Southern Pacific's general passenger agent in Portland opposing the end of the service, and requesting improved service. No reply has been received.

Portland Boys Die In Traffic Mishap

Portland (U.P.)—Traffic fatalities for 1955 in Portland totaled 25 after a spectacular accident yesterday that claimed lives of two teen-aged boys on Barbur Blvd.

Dead are Michael Vetter, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vetter and James Edward Nelson, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Nelson.

Hospitalized with serious injuries was Tommy C. Dorsey, 15, a driver of one of two cars driving side-by-side on the four-lane thoroughfare. In less serious condition was the driver of the third car, Glen W. Loomis, 35. The other teen-aged driver, Edward W. Schlip, 16, escaped injury and was cited to appear in police court on a reckless driving count.

Police said young Dorsey would be cited to juvenile authorities for driving with a beginner's permit unaccompanied by a licensed driver.

Southern Pacific Plans Expansion at Eugene

Portland (U.P.)—Southern Pacific railroad today disclosed plans to spend nearly \$5,750,000 for an enlarged and modernized switching yard, which will include radar, at Eugene.

Grading is expected to get underway before the fall rains, according to D. J. Russell, president of the railroad, who estimated construction would require two years.

Inheritance, Gift Taxes Bring State \$6,076,142

Salem (U.P.)—Collections of state inheritance and gift taxes during the last biennium in Oregon totaled \$6,076,142, State Treasurer Sig Unander said today. This amounts to \$1,576,142 in excess of what the legislative budget estimated, he said.

New York—A federal judge has dismissed the indictment of writer Corliss Lamont for contempt of the Senate in refusing to answer questions before the Senate Investigating Subcommittee.

Requirements for Winter Pear Crop Will Be Tighter

Portland (U.P.)—Minimum size and grade requirements for the 1955 winter pear crop in Oregon, Washington and California will be tighter than last year, according to rules fixed by the Pacific Coast winter pear control committee yesterday.

The committee decided to reduce marketings by keeping small and lower grade pears off the market because of a larger crop than last year.

Minimum Requirements Minimum grade and size requirements adopted by the committee include:

Anjou and Bosc varieties: Size 180 for U. S. No. 1 grade, size 165 for U. S. No. 2.

Comice: U. S. No. 2 grade, size 165.

Winter Nellis: U. S. No. 2 size 210.

Easter: U. S. No. 2 size 165.

Clairgeau: U. S. No. 1 size 165.

To Market 88 Per Cent The committee, which administers the federal marketing agreement on winter pears, decided that 88 per cent of the crop would be marketed under those grade and size regulations. Growers whose crop falls below that percentage may apply for individual exemption certificates to bring marketings up to 88 per cent of their crop. Districts wanting an adjustment in the 88 per cent for their area must apply within a period of one week before and one week after the start of harvest.

Portland (U.P.)—Plans for national promotion of Bartlett pears were outlined here last night by growers and shippers from Medford, Hood River, Yakima and Wenatchee districts.

The advertising - merchandising campaign is the first to be attempted by the states of Washington and Oregon on a cooperative basis.

Medford Man Chairman

Named chairman of the steering committee for the drive was H. B. Murphy of Pinnacle Packing Co., Medford. Other members were Fred Westberg, Washington State fruit commission manager of Yakima and Wenatchee; Ray Forman, Yakima Fruit Growers association; J. E. Klahre, Hood River Apple Growers association, and Dave Holmes, Bear Creek Orchards, Medford.

Powell Conviction Reversed by Court

Washington (U.P.)—The U. S. Court of Appeals today reversed the contempt conviction of Clyde L. Powell, ousted assistant commissioner of the Federal Housing Administration and a key figure in congressional housing scandal investigation.

Powell was convicted in federal district court here last Oct. 29 of criminal contempt for refusing to answer a Grand Jury's questions about his activities as a housing official. Federal Judge F. Dickinson Letts sentenced him to a year in prison.

Powell had claimed that answers to the Grand Jury's questions might be self incriminating. But Judge Letts said Powell did not "successfully or effectively" invoke the Fifth Amendment.

Baseball

AMERICAN Detroit 7 12 0 Baltimore 5 13 1 Lary, Coleman (9) and H. Wilson; Schallcock, Zuverink (8) and Smith.

Chicago 3 6 2 New York 2 6 1 Johnson, Pierce (9) and Lollar; Turley, Konstanty (9) and Berra.

Cleveland 6 9 2 Boston 4 14 1 Wynn, Mossi (8) and Megan; Naragon; Parnell, Henry (4), Hurd (7), Kinder (9) and White. HR—Rosen (Cleve.), 3rd.

NATIONAL New York 4 6 0 Chicago 1 5 0 Gomez, Giel (3), and Katt; Rush, Hillman (8) and Chiti.