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## 2 Missing Portland Women Found Alive

**Pair Within Sight Of Cars, People For Nearly Week**

**Trapped on Ledge Without Food, Water**

Portland — (U.P.) — Two Portland women were rescued from the mountain wilderness overlooking the Columbia river gorge yesterday and doctors said today they were in surprisingly good condition although stranded for nearly a week without food or water in sight of cars and people.

Mrs. Bernice Sharkey, 73, and Mrs. Avera Ferguson, were found about 7 a.m. yesterday by two searchers, Frank Riley and Harry Fisher of Portland. They were trying to hike out of the rugged brushy area near scenic Multnomah falls.

The two women said they were trapped on a ledge from where they could see cars driving on the highway below and other people. "But we couldn't attract their attention," Mrs. Ferguson said.

It was the second "miracle rescue" in this general area in eight days. A week ago Saturday two elderly uranium prospectors were found alive after being lost six days near Mt. St. Helens in southwest Washington.

Mrs. Ferguson told rescuers that lack of water was the worst. She said that from the time they left a shelter at 6:15 a.m. last Monday they didn't have a drink until they were rescued. She said they could hear water running down the cliff on the other side of a big rock which blocked their path. "It never stopped, it never stopped," she said.

**Lost Way on Trail**  
The two women went for a drive a week ago Sunday when their car became stuck in a road east of Multnomah falls. They spent the first night in a women's dormitory at Trail Club camp. They started out for Bridal Veil on foot the next morning but lost their way and got stranded on the ledge overlooking the highway.

During the long ordeal they shouted down at a parking lot below and waved clothing, but no one saw them.

Finally on Saturday morning they decided to try the hazardous trek back the way they had come. They slept Saturday night "with our feet against a tree to keep from rolling down hill."

They were climbing hand over hand Sunday morning when they heard men's voices. They cried out. "Their first cry was for water," Riley said. He filled his hat with water from a creek and gave some to them.

Mrs. Sharkey said they had holed up in a small cave. She said it was dry, but was cold at nights.

Rescuers carried the women back to a road. Neither wanted to go to a hospital, but doctors said relatives insisted. Attendees at Providence hospital here said they were in amazing condition considering their ordeal.

Mrs. Ferguson said she knew where they were. "I just couldn't get us out of there."

**SOC Registration Up 5.7 Per Cent From '54**

Ashland — Enrollment at Southern Oregon college so far this term is up 5.7 per cent from 1954. It was reported this morning by Hugh Simpson, college public relations director.

The number registering so far is 614, Simpson said, compared to 581 at the same time last year. Greatest increase is in the freshman class, where 243 signed up, compared to 218 last year, an increase of 11.4 per cent.

The total includes 367 men and 247 women.

**Neuberger and Coon Start Debates Tonight**

Hood River — (U.P.) — Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, Democrat, and Rept. Sam Coon, Republican, start their series of 10 debates here tonight on Coon's bill for partnership construction of John Day dam.



"BRING ME MY BABY"—Dr. Sanford Marcus, on verge of collapse himself, keeps a vigil at the bedside of his wife, Hanna, at Mt. Zion Hospital in San Francisco. The ordeal of waiting for news of their son, Robert, who was kidnapped from the hospital nursery when only three days old, has taken its toll on the young couple. "She is going downhill rapidly," said the 34-year-old physician. "She just answers, 'Bring me my baby.'"

## Five More Americans Reach Hong Kong; 2 Said Seriously Ill

Hong Kong — (U.P.) — Five Americans arrived in Hong Kong today from Red China aboard two British freighters which had run the Chinese Nationalist blockade from Shanghai.

One American, a Catholic nun, was so weak she had to be carried ashore. Another, a young Houston, Tex., cotton broker, was reported in serious physical condition.

**Released Under Agreement**

The five civilians, detained in Red China for many years, were released under terms of a Geneva agreement between Communist China and the United States.

Those reaching the free world today were: Eva Stella Dugay, Sister Theresa, 62, a native of New York who was a nun at the Roman Catholic Carmelite convent in Shanghai. She had been seriously ill in Shanghai but the Communists refused her an exit permit. She had to be carried ashore.

Dilmus T. Kanady, 36, Houston, Tex., last of 10 Americans charged with "crimes" by the Chinese Communists and sentenced to "expulsion." He was reported in poor physical condition but declined hospital treatment on arrival.

**Underwent Operation**  
Robert Howard Parker, 83, a native of Philadelphia who has lived in China for more than 70 years. Parker, in life insurance and real estate business for 30 years in Shanghai, disclosed the Chinese had operated on his eyes and that he had become blind in one of them.

## Boxcar Shortage in Medford Area Hits Lumber Production; Prospects Gloomy

A shortage of railroad boxcars, which apparently is the worst so far this summer, slowed lumber production in the Medford area today.

Several of the larger mills reported they had received no cars at all today, and they said the prospects for the coming week are "pretty rough."

**Only Three Cars**  
B. L. Nutting, manager of the Medford corporation, said the big company has only three or four cars, delivered over the week end, on hand, and has received none today.

Nutting, who is chairman of a special car supply committee of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, said the boxcar shortage is about 11,000 or 12,000 cars daily throughout the nation. He said locally the shortage started getting worse the latter part of last week, and "it's going to be pretty rough this week as nearly as I can find out."

Elk Lumber company, which has a normal emergency quota of seven cars daily, compared to a usual demand of 12, received no cars today, and has only two on hand, which arrived last week. The company is now processing "the smallest, slowest kind of production" it can to keep men busy, and to slow the loading of cars.

## High School Opens Today; Enrollment Up 6.3 Per Cent

Medford High school reopened for the 1955-56 school year this morning with enrollment up 6.3 per cent from first day last year.

The opening was delayed because of the lateness of the fruit season. Many high school students work in the orchards and packing plants at this time of year. School authorities expect total registration to approach 900 within the next week.

Last year the high school and junior high and elementary schools opened earlier, because an early-season freeze cut down orchard employment.

The number this year is about what was expected, school officials said. The total first-day registration was 865, compared to 814 at the same time last year, and 781 opening day in 1953. Last year was 4.1 per cent over 1953, so that this year's registration total is 10.4 per cent higher than it was two years ago.

## County Receives O&C Check for \$1,373,541

A check for \$1,373,541.11 from the department of interior's bureau of land management has been received by the Jackson county treasurer's office. The amount represents the county's share of funds from O and C lands receipts.

The amount is from a two-year allotment of \$3,254,626.43 for fiscal years 1954-55 and 1955-56. Previously, \$1,881,085.32 was received for O and C lands.

The money has been included in the 1955-56 budget.

**Not 10 Per Cent**  
Ross Lumber company which shut down for several days recently because of the lack of cars, reported it is not receiving 10 per cent of the cars it needs, and has been advised by the Southern Pacific that the lumber firm cannot be assured of any cars at all for the next three days.

Other lumber firms were experiencing similar difficulty, with the result that production has slowed down and the threat of layoffs loomed for employees.

## Six Persons Hurt In Car Accidents, One Critically

**35-Year-Old Woman Suffers Bruises**

Six persons were injured, one of them critically, and several others were cut and bruised in automobile accidents in Jackson county over the week end.

Most seriously hurt was Virginia Mahoney, 19, of 2445 Happy Valley rd., Medford, who sustained "critical" head injuries. She was a passenger in a car driven by George Howard Harper, 24, route 1, box 127, Murphy, according to investigating police officers.

**Crash Head-On**  
The Harper car collided head-on with one driven by Edward James Henderson, 17, Arcata, Calif., Sunday evening near the Applegate bridge on Highway 238, the police report said. Harper was cited for failure to operate his car on the right side of the highway.

Harper and Miss Mahoney were taken to Sacred Heart hospital by Medford Ambulance service. He suffered a cut on his head and bruises, and was reportedly in good condition today.

Passengers in the other car were John William Henderson, 18, and Alan Feuerwerker, both Arcata, who suffered cuts and bruises.

**Two Hospitalized**  
Two other persons were taken to Community hospital by Medford ambulance at approximately the same time, following a one-car accident near the Cascade Gorge store on Highway 62. The injured were Donald Dean Devore, 25, Redding, Calif., the driver, and Nancy Alexander, 16, Central Valley, Calif. He suffered a broken leg. Her injuries were not fully determined, but both were reported in good condition today.

Donald Alexander, 13, and Ross Pierce, 14, both Central Valley, were other passengers, and suffered cuts and bruises. Police said the car skidded and hit a stump as the driver applied his brakes in gravel at the side of the road.

**Woman, 102, in Crash**  
In a third accident, all persons involved, including 102-year-old Mrs. Sarah C. Wing 327 Morton st., Ashland, suffered only cuts and bruises, investigating officers reported.

The accident happened near the junction of old and new Highway 99 routes in the Siskiyou Valley, and involved cars driven by Jesse Howard Addington, 47, Happy Camp, Calif., and James Henderson McGee, 77, of the Morton st. address. Other passenger in his car was Mrs. Olive McGee, of the same address.

Police said the accident occurred as the McGee car came off the old road onto the highway without stopping, and hit the side of the Addington car. McGee was cited for failure to yield the right of way.

Both cars were heavily damaged and had to be towed away.

**Girl Injured**  
Wanda Black, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Black, Jacksonville, was admitted to Osteopathic hospital this morning for injuries she suffered while driving on the Jacksonville-Phoenix highway, according to a hospital report. She has a possible concussion but extent of her injuries has not been determined. She was in "fair" condition and was taken to the hospital by private car. Details of the accident were unavailable, but she evidently was alone in the car at the time.

Medford police reported three accidents in which one person was injured over the week end.

**Suffers Cut**  
Donald Edward Cullop, 25, of 32 Cottage st., Medford, suffered a cut over his left eye when the vehicle he was driving collided with a parked log truck owned by Floyd Doland Sr. and Floyd Doland Jr., 375 South Central ave., early Sunday morning. Police issued a citation to the truck owners for all night truck parking on South Riverside ave.

Dullop was not hospitalized. A car operated by Mrs. Beverly Garrett Roberts, 622 Stewart ave., struck Warren Collin Schlep, 6, of 523 South Ivy st., Medford, about 5:20 p.m. Sunday. Mrs. Roberts reported to police she thought she struck a child. The boy later was taken to Sacred Heart hospital where he was given a physical examination and a tetanus shot. He apparently suffered no injuries, police said.

**Ran Into Street**  
Mrs. Roberts told police she thought the boy ran into the street on South Holly st. from in front of a parked pickup truck. No citations were issued.

## Government To Run as Usual, Nixon Asserts

Washington — (U.P.) — Vice-President Richard M. Nixon met with other high administration officials at the White House today to make plans for running the government during President Eisenhower's illness.

Nixon arrived at the White House grave-faced and strode briskly from his limousine through a crowd of reporters and photographers into the executive offices.

There he had a lunch meeting with Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams, Dep. Atty. Gen. William P. Rogers and Maj. Gen. Wilton B. Persons, deputy presidential assistant.

Nixon said the meeting was "mutually arranged" to discuss "technical details" of operating the government during Mr. Eisenhower's illness.

**Meeting Scheduled**  
The vice-president also disclosed that he will preside Thursday at a meeting of the National Security Council. Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell Jr., who is not a regular member, will attend the council session, which presumably will discuss constitutional and legal problems arising out of the President's illness.

Nixon said he had no plans to move his office from the Senate wing of the Capitol. He said he planned to continue operating just as usual.

**Many Legal Problems**  
Nixon told reporters before the meeting that "there are many legal problems involved" and a ruling from the attorney general is needed.

The Constitution provides that the powers of the President "shall devolve on the vice-president" in case of the President's "inability" to discharge them. However, there are no historical precedents for a vice-president taking over as "acting President."

One question is what kind of proclamations or other legal steps might be necessary to give Nixon authority to relieve Mr.

## Prominent Lumber Executive Dies

Charles Henry Herman, 64, a resident of Medford since 1921 and a well-known lumberman here, died unexpectedly yesterday morning while attending church.

He was a vice-president of Timber Products company, and was a director of the firm, although he was partially retired. He had long been active in business and civic affairs.

A native of Blackfoot, Idaho, he was born June 2, 1891. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ella J. Herman; a daughter, Mrs. Donald B. Whalin; a son, Charles Henry Herman Jr., four grandchildren; a brother, C. J. Herman, Helena, Mont., and a sister, Mrs. O. F. Mays, Washington, D.C.

Conger-Morris funeral home is in charge of funeral arrangements, which are pending.

## Medford Selected As Convention Site

Portland — (U.P.) — A five-cent increase in per capita tax per dues paying members was approved by a 65-34 margin at the 18th annual convention of the Oregon State Industrial Union Council yesterday.

The increase will be submitted to council locals for approval or rejection. If approved, affiliated unions will pay a per capita tax of 15 cents per month a dues paying member. The increase would go to the legislative fund.

The council nominated Francis Lenaburg of Willamina and Jess Bell of Portland for president, and Fred Strassen and Ken Thorstad, both of Portland, for vice president. George Brown was renominated for secretary and also was named delegate to the national convention.

Medford was chosen for next year's convention.

## Weather

FORECAST: Fair tonight and Tuesday with some high clouds. Low tonight 40. High Tuesday 74.

Highest Yesterday 75  
Lowest this Morning 38

## Heart Specialist Sees Possibility For Second Term

**Oxygen Tent Lifted For Brief Intervals**

Denver — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower's top heart specialist said today prospects are "reasonably good" for the President's complete recovery and that barring unforeseen complications he should be able to run for his second term.

Dr. Paul Dudley White of Boston said the President's condition is so satisfactory that he flew back to Boston today.

For the first time since he entered Fitzsimons Army hospital Saturday afternoon, the President was removed from an oxygen tent for brief intervals today.

**No Complications**  
Dr. White told newsmen that as of 9:10 a.m. (PST), "the president's condition continues to be satisfactory without complications."

White's bulletin said that he "enjoyed a breakfast of fruit, oatmeal, a soft boiled egg, toast and milk."

It was the most the President had eaten since he was stricken early Saturday morning. The heart specialist told newsmen the President will not be able to engage in any strenuous activity for two weeks and possibly a month to insure complete rest.

Mr. Eisenhower, who was disclosed, had a slight fever late yesterday, but White said this is "according to Hoyle" for this stage of a heart attack.

**First Explanation**  
The Boston specialist who flew here yesterday, gave reporters the first detailed, technical explanation of the President's illness in a news conference at the temporary White House at Lowry Air Force Base.

He described the President's attack as an "average case" of coronary thrombosis. Mr. Eisenhower's morale is "excellent," White said.

Under intense questioning, White said that if Mr. Eisenhower "has a good recovery, as we hope, and is able to resume his normal type of life," he would not rule out a possibility of Mr. Eisenhower being able to run for a second term.

The doctor carefully refused to say whether he thinks Mr. Eisenhower should run again or whether he would advise him to.

If he recovers satisfactorily, the Boston specialist said, the President should be able to resume his beloved golf.

**President Feels Good**  
White said the President was "very comfortable" this morning and probably felt good enough to tackle a golf course. However, the doctor said, the President understands the need for complete rest in order to let the damaged heart muscle form a hard scar and recover completely.

The specialist explained that formation of the scar usually takes place in the second week of illness and that normally a third week of complete rest is necessary for the scar to harden.

After that, he said, several more weeks of restful convalescence are necessary for complete recovery.

White said that if Mr. Eisenhower continues to progress satisfactorily, he could be removed by plane to Washington or "preferably" to his Gettysburg, Pa., farm for convalescence after about three weeks.

But he said the first month should be preferably spent in a hospital.

**Complications Possible**  
The specialist said afterward that "about the second week" the President should be able to read documents and possibly confer quietly with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and other government officials.

Although he was optimistic about prospects for the President's recovery, White pointed out the ever present possibility of complications which can arise in such cases, especially during the first week.

Meantime, the temporary White House asked the Justice Department for an opinion on what steps could be taken if it becomes necessary for the President to delegate some of his authority.

**Common Illness**  
The doctor scoffed at the idea that "mile high" Denver altitude or the President's rigorous golf playing had anything to do with the attack. He said such attacks are one of the most common ailments of American men in the 40s through the 80s and often cannot be predicted.

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## Fire in La Grande Apartment House Kills Two Persons

La Grande — (U.P.) — Two persons died here yesterday when a fire consumed a 13-room apartment house.

The dead were identified as John Metcalf, 77, a semi-invalid, and Mrs. Naoma Elder, about 40, operator of the apartments. Metcalf's body was found at the foot of his bed in his first floor apartment and Mrs. Elder's body was found crumpled over the remains of a litter of puppies on a side porch.

Firemen fought the blaze for four hours before it was brought under control. It was feared last night that there might be other bodies in the ruins but Fire Chief Charley Hutchison said today, after a check of the building, that he was convinced there were no other fatalities. The third resident of the building, John Hopkins, escaped.

Homes on either side of the apartment house were partially damaged. Firemen had not learned the cause of the blaze.

The building was owned by J. E. Bess of La Grande who leased it to Mrs. Elder for sublease.

## Elk City Water Vote Continues to 8 p.m.

A poll will be open until 8 p.m. today at the Haupter Tractor company office for residents of the Elk City Water district, who will vote a \$187,000 bond issue.

The money would be for construction of a new water distribution system, including a 20-inch main and laterals.

Any bona fide resident of the district, which is located generally along both sides of Highway 99 north of Medford and to Central Point, and who is registered to vote, is eligible to cast a ballot.

## Redecking Under Way On East Main Street

City street crews today redecked with asphaltic concrete East Main st. between Myrtle and Willamette sts., and the Crater Lake ave. intersection.

The redecking coat is to preserve streets from deterioration. City crews also have started repainting center lines on principal arterial streets. Repainting is done with white paint to conform with a recent change by the state highway commission from yellow to white.

## 4 Log Truck Drivers Cited on Basic Rule

Four Klamath Falls log truck drivers have been cited to appear in Jackson county district court for violation of basic rule on South Stage rd.

They are Donald Irving Klem, 31, Jim Arthur Ritchey, 25, Carl Adrain Nicholson, 28, and Victor C. McElfresh, 28. They were cited on a complaint that log trucks have been speeding on South Stage rd. near Rogue River academy.