

Hurricane Hunter Plane Reported Overdue

Eisenhower Spends Most of Morning Out of Oxygen Tent

Progress Reported To Be Satisfactory

Denver — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower today remained out of his oxygen tent for "a large part of the morning," and his doctors said he "continues to progress satisfactorily without complications."

It was the first time since the President was admitted to Fritsimons Army hospital Saturday with a heart attack that he had been allowed to remain out of the glassine tent for any length of time.

Mr. Eisenhower was described in a 12:15 p.m. (MST) medical bulletin as "comfortable and cheerful."

After taking the sixth electrocardiogram since the President was admitted, his doctors said he continues "to progress satisfactorily without complications."

The bulletin said the President's temperature was normal and his blood pressure and pulse "stable and satisfactory."

Substantial Breakfast

For the second straight day the chief executive enjoyed a substantial breakfast. The doctors, Maj. Gen. Howard McC. Snyder of the White House and Col. Byron E. Pollock of Fitzsimons, said the "morning cardiology continues to show the expected evolution."

Meantime, the President's son, Maj. John Eisenhower, made plans to fly back tomorrow to his post at Ft. Belvoir, Va., after a two-day visit with his father.

The president, who is inclined forward at times to eat his meals in the hospital bed, was visited twice this morning by Mrs. Eisenhower, who has been staying at the hospital near him steadily since Saturday.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said government business, because of the time of year, is in a status where many matters that eventually will come before the President are in the preparation stage and normally would not reach him for decision until possibly December.

Two-Month Rest

The press secretary reaffirmed that the President probably will have to remain in the hospital for about a month and undergo another month of convalescence after that.

He said there are "no plans yet" on where the President will go for the convalescent period.

Speculation that the president might be able to do some form of light official duties such as perhaps receive official visitors within the next few days was knocked down by Hagerty. He said, "I know of no visitors through next week."

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Beaverton Parents Refuse Signature

Beaverton — (U.P.) — Charles Remington, foster father of 10-month-old boy over whom a custody dispute has occurred, said today parents of the child had refused to sign adoption papers.

A mutual agreement was reported last Friday between Remington and the child's father, Arnold Casteel, under which the Remingtons were to receive custody of the child.

Remington said that a representative of his attorney called on Mr. and Mrs. Casteel at their Aloha home late yesterday for them to sign adoption papers but that they refused and gave no reason.

The Casteels were not immediately available for comment. Remington said the refusal may mean that a court hearing to settle the dispute, scheduled for sometime in October, will be held.

Boxcar Shortage May Close Double Dee Lumber Co.

Officials of Double Dee Lumber Company, Inc., Tolo, revealed today that their firm may have to shut down after tonight's shift because of the railroad boxcar shortage.

They said this morning they had tentatively determined the company would have to shut down tonight. However, Southern Pacific railroad officials informed them they were scheduled to receive two cars today.

"If we do, we will follow through tonight, but beyond that it looks very, very black," a Double Dee spokesman said.

Double Dee ordinarily needs 8 or 9 cars a day, but has received only five cars since Sept. 22. The fact that Double Dee



NIXON CARRIES ON — Vice President Richard Nixon scheduled a White House meeting with Administration officials to make plans for carrying on government functions during President Eisenhower's illness. He is shown here talking to newsmen.

New Medford-KF Road Via Lake of Woods Appears Step Nearer

Construction of a new road between Medford and Klamath Falls by way of Eagle Point, McAllister Soda springs and Lake of the Woods appeared a step nearer today. The state highway commission last week gave tentative approval for a cooperative plan to do the job, it was learned here.

Under the proposed agreement, which has already received

the approval of the county courts of Jackson and Klamath counties, the counties would build the road with federal and state money, after the two counties had secured the necessary rights of way. The counties, at least for the present, would also be responsible for maintenance of the proposed all-weather route.

The road would generally follow the alignment of the existing road from Eagle Point through Brownsboro, Lake Creek and Soda Springs to Fish Lake and Lake of the Woods, and the Klamath county road east of there. Much of this road is not maintained, and at present is impassable most of the year.

It would be designated as a federal secondary county road, and would be eligible for federal construction funds on a matching 60 per cent basis with the state paying the other 40 per cent. Total estimated cost would be some \$1,474,000.

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, has reported the commission does not feel justified in paying for the entire project as a state highway, but that if traffic over the route increases markedly within five years, it would be taken over as a state highway.

The low-level, easy-grade route has long been hoped for by road enthusiasts here as a supplement to the Green Springs highway and they have pointed out it would tap great quantities of timber which are in need of harvesting.

JHS Enrollment Up By 23.3 Per Cent

Enrollment in Medford Junior High schools has increased 23 per cent over enrollment at the same time last year, according to city school officials. Total enrollment, now considered permanent, is 2,640 compared to 2,438 in 1954.

Enrollment in city elementary schools has jumped from 2,438 last year to 2,640, an increase of 8.3 per cent. Junior high and elementary schools, taken together, show an increase of 12.5 per cent.

Permanent enrollment figures for all city schools, including senior high, are expected to show a 10 per cent increase.

Navy's Jet Fighter Buying Investigated

Washington — (U.P.) — A congressional investigation was ordered today into reports that the Navy spent millions of dollars buying jet fighter planes "that won't fly" and in which two test pilots were killed.

Chairman Chet Holifield (D-Calif.) directed the staff of the House Military Operations Subcommittee to check into charges that the Navy accepted delivery of about 50 of the planes before finding them unsuitable.

"If there is a substantial question of faulty procurement by navy officials, our subcommittee will want to pin down the responsibility," Holifield said in a statement issued by subcommittee aides.

Truman Will Deliver Three Speeches on Coast

Washington — (U.P.) — Former President Harry S. Truman will make three speeches on the West Coast in November for the benefit of the Truman Library, a library spokesman announced today.

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Neuberger said "by delaying the bill a year, Sen. Wayne Morse and I forced them to hike their offer by \$109,000,000. What will they offer in 1956?"

Early Construction Possible
Coon first replied that Neuberger was not in the Senate in 1954 and then added that the 1954 bill and the 1955 bill both would have called for participating agencies to put up the same amount of money but that financing would have been over a longer term in the 1954 bill.

The Baker Republican said his bill would mean early construction of John Day dam on the Columbia. He said the Northwest needs power in a hurry and the only way to get it is to build dams. Waiting for all-out federal financing would create undue delays, he said.

His Portland opponent countered that federal development had brought cheap power to the region and that power was short simply because it was cheap. He told the audience that Northwest farmers were using more than twice as much power as they formerly used.

The Hells Canyon dam question was injected into the debate so frequently that one spectator interrupted to ask the principals to stick to the subject and "let's get out of Hells Canyon."

Neuberger said the power issue was not a partisan one with him but a question of preserving the tradition of cheap federal power inaugurated by the late Sen. Charles McNary, a Republican, and President Franklin Roosevelt.

Coon's counter claim was that the equivalent of a new Bonneville dam a year would be required to meet the Northwest's power needs and that there was not that much federal money forthcoming.

HOUSE FIRE
Medford firemen were called to the home of Irving B. Thompson, 410 North Ivy st., at about 11:25 a.m. today. They reported an electric lamp fell onto a bed, starting a fire which extended to a wall and a rug. Smoke damage occurred throughout the house.

Weather
FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Cooler daytime temperatures. Low tonight 42, high Wednesday 72.
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Highest Yesterday _____
Lowest this Morning _____

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y Hopes To Halt Approval Of Project on McKenzie River

Recreational Use For Future Seen More Important

Rogue River Area Also Included

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Mail Tribune Correspondent

Washington — Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay has every hope of being able to block federal approval of a hydroelectric project proposed for construction in the scenic upper McKenzie river area of the Cascade

"The McKenzie and the Rogue rivers should be protected and maintained for recreation for the future population of Oregon," McKay said.

The secretary hopes to prevent approval of a 50-year license for the Beaver Marsh dam project, which Eugene Water and Electric Board wants to build on the upper McKenzie near Clear Lake. The Federal Power Commission is now considering the project.

Of More Value in Future
In a letter to FPC Chairman Jerome Kuykendall, McKay recently declared:

"I believe that the McKenzie should be kept in as near its natural condition as possible as it would be of much more value to future generations, a recreational stream than the amount of power that could be generated by this project."

Beaver Marsh would generate 35,000 kilowatts for the Eugene utility.

McKay said he hopes his opinion will prevail when Kuykendall and his four colleagues on the five-man power commission render their decision in the case. An FPC examiner who held hearings on the matter is now preparing his initial decision in the matter.

McKay has even got Herbert Hoover on his side of the argument. "Hoover resents this Beaver Marsh project very much," declared McKay.

Four Named by Ike

Of the five power commissioners whose decision will be final in the case, four were appointed by President Eisenhower. The fifth is a holdover appointee of ex-President Hoover.

If the FPC decides against the project, it will be going contrary to the opinion of its own staff which has come out in favor of building the dam. In its legal brief, the staff contended that Beaver Marsh dam "is best adapted to a comprehensive plan for the improvement and utilization of water-power development, and for other beneficial public uses, including recreational purposes."

Joseph E. Hayden, staff counsel, pointed out that the Eugene utility said it would provide "substantial facilities," including a park with picnic tables and fireplaces where today there is none. Hayden claimed the scenic values of the upper McKenzie are outstanding but "do not meet the test of 'unique and most special type' recreational resources which should be preserved in their natural state."

McKay, however, takes this attitude:

"When I take a packhorse into the McKenzie, I don't want to see pipes running down the hill spoiling the natural beauty. That's not what I go out there for. I think it is terrible."

Bulletin

Washington — (U.P.) — The Civil Aeronautics Board today granted Southwest Airways, Inc., permanent authorization to serve 16 cities in California and Medford, Ore.

Peron Expected To Sail Into Exile
Buenos Aires — (U.P.) — Juan D. Peron is expected to sail into exile today aboard a 25-year-old Paraguayan gunboat where he has hidden for eight days from the revolutionary leaders who ended his decade of iron-fisted rule.



SERVICES FRIDAY — Funeral services for Charles Henry Herman, well-known Medford lumberman who died Sunday, will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at Conger-Morris funeral home. The remains will lie in state at the Conger-Morris Green room. Mr. Herman, a vice-president and director of Timber Products company had been a resident of Medford since 1921.

Office of U. S. Deputy Marshal Closes Sept. 30

The U.S. deputy marshal's office in Medford, which has been here for more than 40 years, will be closed on Sept. 30, it was announced today by Deputy Marshal Paul Hanlin.

He said the order for the closure of the office came from S. A. Andretta, administrative assistant to the attorney general. Earlier announcement of the closure said that it was for economy reasons. The closing was delayed until the end of September, according to Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, to permit time for additional investigation of the need for the office.

Move Protested

The move has been protested by a number of groups in southern Oregon, including the local Bar association, union groups, and others.

Hanlin said he will move to Portland to continue work there as a deputy marshal. He has been with the office here since May 1, 1937.

The Medford office has served a large area of southern Oregon and northern California, but recently U. S. Marshal Harold Sexton, Portland, said that the amount of business done here has not justified the expense of maintaining a second office in Oregon.

Big Three Ministers Lay Conference Plans

New York — (U.P.) — Foreign ministers of the Western Big Three powers meet today to lay plans for next month's conference with Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov at Geneva.

They will be joined Wednesday by West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano who was due here from Bonn today.

Two secret sessions were scheduled at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles as host.

Dulles planned a diplomatic dinner tonight for British Foreign Secretary Harold MacMillan and French Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay. Molotov, who will not take part in the secret talks, will attend the dinner.

Sheriff Takes Three Men to State Prison

Sheriff Howard Gault took three men to the Oregon State penitentiary at Salem this morning.

They were: Floyd Harold Garmann, 31, route 2, box 192, Medford, sentenced to one year for forgery; Charles Edgar Howell, 31, Medlin, Ore., sentenced to two years for burglary; and Harold Ray Hudson, 34, Springfield, sentenced to 11 months for non-support.

Air-Sea Search For Missing Craft Launched by Navy

Eleven Volunteers Presumed Aboard

Miami — (U.P.) — The Navy launched an all out air-sea search today for a missing hurricane hunter airplane which carried a crew of courageous volunteers into the roaring midst of Hurricane Janet.

Eleven men were presumed to be aboard the twin-engine Navy Neptune patrol plane, the first craft to be missing in the history of the hurricane hunter squadron. The plane failed to return Monday from a scouting flight into the 110-mile-an-hour storm which already has claimed an estimated 200 lives in the Windward Islands.

Navy officials at Guantanamo naval base in Cuba sent out "everything we can lay our hands on" in the way of air and sea craft at dawn today.

Search Begun Monday
The plane was last heard from by radio as it prepared to enter the eye of Hurricane Janet at 7:15 a.m. (PST) Monday. The search was begun late Monday and continued today. It centered on a point in the Caribbean midway between Guantanamo Bay and Panama.

The murderous hurricane was reported roaring to the west early today on a course lying just off the Nicaraguan Peninsula.

Extreme northeastern Nicaragua and northeastern Honduras were alerted for dangerous winds and high tides and seas this afternoon and tonight. Swan Island was expected to get high winds this afternoon.

Refuse To Abandon Hope
Navy officials refused to abandon hope for the crew of the missing plane although its fuel supply was known exhausted.

Lt. Cmdr. O. B. Adams said, "We're hoping they cleared the area of violent wind before they had to ditch, but of course we weren't sure they even had a chance to ditch."

Salem — (U.P.) — Lt. J. Eric Tucker is being promoted to captain and will replace the late Capt. H. W. Howard as head of the state police arson investigation division, Superintendent H. G. Maison said.

Seattle — (U.P.) — The Coast Guard icebreaker Northwind was due to arrive here today from the Arctic.



J. HUGH PRUETT
Astronomer's Pen Stilled

J. Hugh Pruett, Astronomy Authority, Dies at Eugene

Eugene — (U.P.) — J. Hugh Pruett, one of the best known astronomers in the west, died at his home here late Sunday. He was 69 years old.

Pruett was a retired member of the University of Oregon faculty and had been astronomer with the extension division of the Oregon higher educational system. He was a well known writer on scientific and professional subjects.

Pruett attended Linfield College and did graduate work at Chicago University. He taught at high schools in Newberg, Mo.

Minneapolis and Forest Grove and became assistant professor of physics at the University of Oregon in 1920.

In 1932 he was named Pacific director of the American meteor society.

He served in World War I with a machine gun company and later was in charge of the meteorological station near Paris.

A weekly newspaper article on astronomy by J. Hugh Pruett, who died at his home in Eugene Sunday, has been a feature of the Mail Tribune for several years.