

Union Oil Company Meeting Scheduled

About 50 dealers, employees and service managers from Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass areas are expected to attend one of a series of meetings of the Union Oil company at California at 8 p.m. today at the Rogue Valley Country club.

The meetings are being held to explain and demonstrate advantages and properties of multi-viscosity oils, according to N. S. Buvick, resident manager of the company.

Conducting the meeting here will be D. A. Wilson of Portland.

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Phoenix Seniors Pick Delmar Brood As Class Leader

Phoenix—Delmar Brood was elected president of the Phoenix High school senior class Tuesday. Other officers elected included Dennis Bradley, vice-president; Pat Adams, secretary; Irma Hoffman, representative; and Walter Hurlbut, sergeant at arms.

Jim James was elected president of the junior class and Don McCarty was chosen vice-president. Barbara Blankenship was selected secretary, Charlotte Stovell treasurer, and Dorothy Bean, representative.

President of the sophomore class is Gary Simmonds, and vice-president is Fred Faytinger. Ronald Daugherty is secretary, Lester Schleigh is treasurer, Carole Anderson, representative, and Nadine Brood, sergeant at arms.

Officers of the freshmen class are Beverly Keene, president; Linda Medford, vice-president; and Margaret Ann Bolz, secretary.

Student body officers were elected last spring. They are Ray Dahl, president; Bill Madden, vice-president; Sharon James, secretary and Dorothy Good, treasurer.

BOY SCOUTS

Troop 15, Phoenix
Phoenix—A Boy Scout court of honor for Troop 15 has been tentatively scheduled for the evening of Thursday, Oct. 13, at the Community club.

Mike Campbell, a member of the troop, will be awarded the eagle badge, highest a Scout can earn.

Main Connection Work Completed

Phoenix — Installation of a water main connection from the Charlotte Ann Water district to the Phoenix schools has been completed, and water was turned on in all buildings Saturday.

Water is from the Medford system which uses water from Big Butte springs.

Dentist Faces Murder Charge

Minneapolis — (U.P.) — Opening arguments and testimony were expected to begin today in the trial of a society dentist accused of seducing and strangling a pretty patient.

Dr. A. Arnold Axilrod, 50, is charged with killing Mrs. Elizabeth Mary Moonen, 21-year-old wife of a soldier serving in Korea, when she threatened to "tell the world" that the dentist had made her pregnant.

Axilrod is accused of feeding Mrs. Moonen pills to make her unconscious when she came to him as a patient.

The married dentist admits that he took the attractive soldier's wife for a ride in his car last August because she wanted to talk to him.

He became enraged when she accused him of being her unborn baby's father and threatened to "tell the world," Axilrod has said. But he maintains that he "blacked out" at this point, and when he recovered consciousness, Mrs. Moonen was gone from his car.

The woman's shapely body was found the next morning.

Official Statement on Princess Margaret's Love Life May Come Next Week

London — (U.P.) — The royal family may issue a statement next week taking note for the first time of the persistent, pesky rumors that Princess Margaret wants to marry Capt. Peter Townsend.

What will be in the statement no one can guess. It is not even definite that a statement will be issued. **Must Intervene**

But well-informed court observers believe the gossip and newspaper speculation about the 25-year-old princess and the divorced commoner has reached the point where official word from the throne must intervene. These sources say the statement most likely would be issued next week after the queen and her family return to London from Scotland.

For the royal family to issue a statement on the long-reported romance would be almost unprecedented. It has been a modern tradition that the royal family ignore any criticism or gossip swirling around the throne.

Queen Mother Dismayed
But the consistency of the Margaret-Townsend talk has especially dismayed Queen Mother Elizabeth, according to court observers. They say this down-to-earth woman of great common sense has urged the queen to end the unsettled state of affairs by making some kind of official announcement.

The queen mother is known to feel that the gossip is casting a cloud over Margaret's personal prestige and reflecting general disapproval on the national regard for the monarchy.

While there is much agreement that a royal statement is in the offing, no one will hazard a guess as to whether the statement will say the princess is going to marry Townsend or whether it will say she isn't.

Princess Margaret herself has a busy public schedule ahead of her when she returns from Scotland, a solid week of visits to hospitals, receptions, and the like.

Townsend plans to ride in a horse show at Munich, Germany, on Sunday and then will go to England to spend a mid-October leave.

Thursday, October 8, 1953

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

Turtle Released After Getting Gallon of Wine

Agigsawa, Japan—(U.P.)—Residents of this fishing village in northern Japan caught a 250-pound turtle poking along the beach but let it go after giving it a gallon of rice wine.

The residents observed a long prevailing superstition, "mistreat turtles and evil will come into you."

Plans Set for Visit By Soviet Journalists

Washington — (U.P.) — Plans shaped up today for the visit of seven top Soviet journalists to seven American cities.

The Russians will visit newspapers, other information outlets and get a view of American life in general, officials said.

The Russians will visit New York, Cleveland, Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Phoenix, and Washington. They are to arrive in New York about Oct. 17 on the French liner Ile De France.

Southern Pacific Retiring Locomotive

Portland — (U.P.) — Old 5021, with Engineer A. B. Clancy at the throttle, pulled out of Portland on her last trip yesterday marking the end of an era for her class of steam locomotives.

The Southern Pacific railroad is retiring No. 5021 after this trip in favor of a diesel. SP has ordered 185 diesels and about 107 steam engines like 5021 had to go.

The engine headed for L's Angeles at the head of a 67-car freight train. After that she will become a museum piece. The railroad has donated her to the Southern California Railway and Locomotive Historical society.

Slip Beneath Wheels Kills Oregon Trucker

Cheyenne, Wyo.—(U.P.)—John Butler, 39, a truck driver from Fruitland, Ore., was killed instantly yesterday when he slipped beneath the wheels of a trailer truck 25 miles west of Cheyenne on U.S. Highway 30.

The driver of the truck, Cecil Lovan, of Payette, Ida., told highway patrolmen that Butler had climbed between the cab and the truck and the trailer to adjust the faulty high-speed gears when he slipped.

Lemonade powder rich in natural flavor is a new Department of Agriculture research development.

TO STUDY LAWS

Manila—(U.P.)—Rep. Michael A. Feighan (D-O.) arrived here by air today to begin a study of immigration laws and judicial systems in Southeast Asia and the Far East.

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