

Fir Plywood Show Slated in Medford On October 22-23

A Fir Plywood jubilee show, sponsored by the Douglas Fir Plywood association, is scheduled for a two-day stay in Medford on Oct. 22 and 23. The show is part of the year-long promotional program being conducted by the association as a part of the west coast plywood industry's 50th anniversary.

The show will be located on the Medford High school grounds, and will be open from 2 to 9 p.m. both days.

Displays will cover elements of the "50 Golden Ideas" for fir plywood construction unveiled during the industry's annual meeting in mid-June at Portland. They will include a plywood mobile telling the story of industry promotion through DFA, the story of markets and shipping, a sound-color movie showing how plywood is manufactured, and a fir plywood "menagerie" of circus animals built from plywood.

A circus format is used for the show. Exhibits are set up in two highway semi-trailers which frame a circus square covered by a carnival-type tent.

The two themes which dominate the displays are "You can build anything with fir plywood" and "Fir plywood is made here—sold everywhere."

Following its stay here, the jubilee caravan will move to Klamath Falls.

Motorcycle Wreck Fatal To Two Men

El Centro, Calif.—(U.P.)—A Marine from Baltimore, Md., and a Salt Lake City man were killed last night when the motorcycle on which they were riding crashed into a car on U.S. Highway 80 seven miles west of here.

The dead were identified as Marine Cpl. Melvin M. Berry, 22, of Baltimore, Md., stationed at Camp Pendleton, Calif., and Leland A. Fisher, 28, of Salt Lake City Utah.

The driver of the car, Stephen J. Halpin, of El Centro, was taken to Pioneers Memorial hospital in nearby Brawley with "major injuries."

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ADMITTING that he murdered his stepmother in Los Angeles, Ralph Reno, 27, is held by Reno, Nev., police after he was picked up for knifing his father, and abducting his stepmother in Los Angeles.

Reno Asks To See Priest Before Signing Confession

Hollywood — (U.P.)—Police said today a 27-year-old ex-convict will be permitted to see a priest before he signs a confession in which he admitted strangling his attractive young stepmother and stabbing his father.

Ralph Reno, returned here last night by Hollywood detectives from Reno, asked to see the priest before signing his confession. He told officers that after he strangled Mrs. Stella Reno, 34, with a boxer's skip rope. He stabbed his father, Andrew Reno, 57.

But Reno also insisted that his father later helped him carry the woman's body out of the

18 Illnesses in Ashland Reported

Twenty-three cases of communicable diseases, 18 of them in Ashland, were reported to the county health department during the week ended Oct. 15, according to figures released today by the department.

Leading the list were 13 cases of influenza, with 12 in Ashland and one in Medford. There were three cases of trench mouth, including one each in Ashland, Medford, and Phoenix.

Two cases of measles were reported in Ashland. There were two cases of pneumonia, with one each in Ashland and Medford, and two cases of chicken pox, with one each in Ashland and Talent.

Also on the list was one case of infectious hepatitis in Ashland.

Youth Confesses Death of Mother

Pasadena, Calif.—(U.P.)—A 19-year-old boy confessed he beat his mother to death with a hammer "because my parents don't understand me" and then tried to kill himself by leaping in front of two cars and a truck, police said today.

The youth, John Hawley, was reported in serious condition at a hospital about 60 miles from here. Pasadena Detective Richard L. Jamison said Hawley confessed murdering his mother.

"I did it," the detective quoted the boy. "I killed my mother. I hit her with a hammer and stabbed her with a knife."

The youth underwent surgery for eight hours Monday for injuries suffered in his suicide try after fleeing from her in his car.

Mrs. Iris Hawley, 45, wife of a wealthy advertising executive William A. Hawley, was found dead Monday by a maid in the family's fashionable home in the Oak Knoll district here.

The Hawley boy apparently fled in his car after his mother was killed, police said.

Navy Jet's Speed Said Over 700 MPH

Washington—(U.P.)—The Navy says its tiny A4D jet attack bomber which has set a new world speed record of nearly 700 miles an hour around a closed circuit course can fly even faster.

"The new record does not reflect the maximum speed capabilities" of the bantam bomber, the Navy said.

The A4D, built by Douglas Aircraft, set a new record of 695.163 m.p.m. in flying five times around a 100 kilometer course last Saturday at Edwards Air Force Base, Muroc, Calif.

The plane's new record compares with the 760 m.p.h. speed of sound at sea level. It bettered by 45 miles an hour the previous record for a 500-kilometer measured course set by Air Force Maj. John L. Armstrong in an F86H Sabre Jet on Sept. 3, 1954, at Dayton, Ohio.

The new record was set by Lt. Gordon Gray, 32, La Jolla, Calif.

The world's official absolute speed record of 822 m.p.h., set on a straightaway course, was established last August by Air Force Col. Horace Hanes in an F100C Super Sabre.

HARRIMAN TALK SET
Portland—(U.P.)—Gov. Averell Harriman of New York will speak in Clackamas county Nov. 22 instead of Dec. 22 as originally announced, Democratic party officials said today.

Hilt Man Fined In District Court

Antonio Gonzalis, 28, Hilt, Calif., was fined \$255 and had his driver's license suspended for 90 days, in district court Monday for driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

In addition to the fine, Gonzalis was sentenced to 30 days in jail, to be suspended on the payment of the fine.

A charge of larceny, concerning theft of an auto, against Gonzalis was dropped when it was learned that he had taken a car of the identical make and model as his own by mistake.

Defense Raps Lack Of Paternity Test

Minneapolis—(U.P.)—Defense attorneys in Dr. A. Arnold Axilrod's murder trial tried to question a key prosecution witness late Monday on why tests were not made to determine whether the dentist was the father of his alleged victim's unborn child.

The attempt was blocked when District Judge Leslie Anderson sustained prosecution objections that Dr. Erling Brauti, a young University of Minnesota doctor, didn't have to answer two questions about his examination of the dead woman's body.

Chief Defense Counsel Sidney W. Goff demanded to know why blood tests were not made to determine whether the 50-year-old Axilrod had fathered Mrs. Elizabeth Mary Moonen's unborn child.

Goff also said tests showed Mrs. Moonen had engaged in sexual intercourse shortly before her death. He asked whether tests could not have shown whether Axilrod was the man.

Axilrod, a 50-year-old husband and father, is accused of seducing the attractive, 21-year-old Mrs. Moonen when she came to his dental office. On the night of April 22, it is charged, he took her for a car ride and strangled her when she threatened to "tell the world" that he had made her pregnant.

Drivers Cited in Two Auto Mishaps

Two people were cited in two of four automobile accidents Sunday in Medford, according to city police. No injuries were listed.

Charlotte Brenneman, 600 Whitman place, was cited for failure to yield right of way when her car collided with a vehicle operated by Ronnie Lee Hahner, 739 Dakota st. The accident occurred at the corner of West Main and Ivy sts.

Betty Gerwick Miller, 411 Oakwood dr., was cited for failure to yield right of way when the car she was driving was involved in a collision with a car operated by Charles Leroy Campbell, 559 Keene Way dr. The mishap happened at Oakwood dr. and Richmond ave.

A car owned by Eugene Roger Richmond, 528 South Fir st., was struck by an unknown vehicle while parked on North Central ave. between East Sixth and East Main sts.

A car driven by William Hobart Bowman, Arroyo Grande, Calif., collided with a stop sign post at the corner of King st. and Stewart ave., police said.

Helix Youth Wins Top Honors at PI

Portland—(U.P.)—For a second year in a row, a Helix, Ore., youth took top 4-H beef honors at the 45th annual Pacific International exposition here yesterday.

Fritz Hill took the prize with a Hereford Reserve champion was an Angus shown by Billy Boldman of Lind, Wash.

Another repeater was A. W. Bagley of Salem, Ore., who swept the open classification for Hampshire sheep.

Washington State college took the grand championship in the open class fat lamb show with a Southdown.

Bobby Schnebly of Ellensburg, Wash., showed a grand champion 4-H market hog, a 200 pound Berkshire.

Judging of beef, sheep and swine continues today.

Diplomats Open Talks

Bonn, Germany—(U.P.)—Soviet and West German diplomats will begin negotiations this week in Paris on details of establishing normal diplomatic relations between the two nations.

The talks will take place between Soviet Ambassador V. N. Vinogradov and Vollrath von Maltzan.

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Tension Eases At Perfect Circle

New Castle, Ind.—(U.P.)—Tension eased in strife-torn New Castle today and Gov. George N. Craig said martial law might be lifted if the "highest" union authority guarantees an end to violence.

Craig kept full martial law and 400 National Guardsmen at New Castle, where nine persons were injured in a gun battle at the strikebound Perfect Circle Corp. foundry Oct. 5.

But he lifted martial law and removed 125 troopers at nearby Richmond, site of two other Perfect Circle plants. At Hagerstown, where a fourth Perfect Circle plant is located, the guard force was cut from 275 to 200.

Guardsmen at New Castle reported the town "peaceful as a church mouse." But Craig said Monday that the troopers could not leave until the "highest authority" of the striking CIO United Auto Workers directs its members to halt all violence.

Office Hour Change Slated by Marines

Plans have been formulated to extend the office hours for the local Marine corps recruiting station each Wednesday and Thursday, it was announced today by local recruiters.

On Wednesdays and Thursdays, the office, located in Room 200, Medford Post Office building, will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. On other days, the regular hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. will be in effect.

Purpose of the change is to be of service to men and women who find it difficult to visit the recruiting station during regular hours because of conflicts with working hours, according to S/Sgt. W. A. Allen.

Coon Sees Engineer Support of John Day

Arlington, Ore.—(U.P.)—Rep. Sam Coon (R-Ore.) predicted here last night that the Army engineers would withdraw their objections and recommended construction of John Day dam on the Columbia river as a low-head project.

Coon told the Arlington Chamber of Commerce he favored building the dam without the flood control features that have drawn objections from eastern Oregon residents and Columbia river fishing interests.

The dam is presently authorized for construction as a high-head project that would flood out most of Arlington. An Army engineer board recently rejected a recommendation that the dam be built without the flood control features.

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