

U.S. Lifts Travel Restrictions to Russia

Princess Won't Wed

London — (U.P.) — A royal announcement said tonight that Princess Margaret will not wed RAF Group Capt. Peter Townsend.

The announcement came from Elizabeth House, the official residence of the Princess and Queen Mother Elizabeth.

It ended two and a half years of speculation which rose to fever pitch after the Princess's 21st birthday in August and Townsend's return from "exile" as air attaché at the British Embassy in Brussels early this month.

Given Up for Duty
The announcement meant that Margaret gave up Townsend for duty.

In an unprecedented personal statement, Margaret said:

"I would like it to be known that I have decided not to marry Group Captain Peter Townsend."

The Princess, denying suggestions that she was being pressured into making her decision by disapproving Church or Crown, went on:

"I have reached this decision entirely alone."

Personal Statement

Text of the historic statement.

"I would like it to be known that I have decided not to marry Group Captain Peter Townsend."

"I have been aware that, subject to my renouncing to my rights of succession, it might have been possible for me to contract a civil marriage. But, mindful of the Church's teaching that Christian marriage is indissoluble and conscious of my duty to the Commonwealth, I have resolved to put their considerations before any others."

"I have reached this decision entirely alone, and in doing so I have been strengthened by the unfailing understanding and devotion of Group Captain Townsend. I am grateful for the concern of all those who have constantly prayed for my happiness."

(Signed) Margaret.

That was the end of the text.

She Loves Him

Margaret's statement made it clear that she loved Townsend. But it also made clear she gave him up for Church and Crown.

This was the abdication of King Edward VIII in reverse. Edward gave up his throne in 1936 for the love of American divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson. But Margaret renounced the man she loved for her royal duty as a Princess of the reigning house and third in line of succession to the Crown.

It was a sacrifice of a young girl's first love for an old kingdom's fierce pride. For Townsend, it was tragedy.

The fragile-faced flier himself spent a last two and a quarter hour visit with Margaret tonight. Then quietly he left Clarence House and went off into the foggy London night.

Residents Urged to Mail County Taxes

People who wish to avoid standing in line to pay taxes are urged to mail taxes to the tax department at the Jackson county courthouse, Sheriff Howard Gault announced today.

All taxes mailed in which are postmarked before midnight, Nov. 15, will be processed for the three per cent discount allowable for paying a full year's taxes in advance, Gault said. A two per cent discount is allowed for paying three quarters of a year in advance, and one per cent for half a year.

A long line of people waiting to pay taxes today stretched from the door of the tax department on the second floor and down the stairway.

Police Agencies, Other Groups Ask Cooperation of Residents Tonight

Today is Halloween. And both law enforcement officials and groups sponsoring collection of contributions to at least two worthy causes urged the cooperation of Rogue valley residents.

The Medford Camp Fire girls and children interested in the project will collect pennies and small coins for the United Nations International Children's Emergency fund (UNICEF) instead of asking for tricks and treats.

Children will assemble at the nearest school, except Jefferson school, and will return to the school for refreshments. Instead of meeting at Jefferson school, children will assemble at Washington school.

Children will be identified by orange tags with the UNICEF emblem, and collection cartons will be similarly decorated. Adults must accompany children when they pick up materials at schools.

Refreshments will be served by members of the Active club, Medford Lions club, Crater Lions club, Kiwanis club, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

UNICEF funds help more than 28,000,000 children and their mothers each year in some 90 underdeveloped countries of the world.

At Phoenix, collecting old eyeglasses by youngsters will be sponsored by the auxiliary of the Phoenix Lions club. Eyeglasses are collected for the Short Hills Junior Service league, which melts down old frames and secures new prescription glasses for people who cannot otherwise afford them.

Children who secure old eyeglasses will receive treats from the auxiliary at the Phoenix Community club.

Urge Cooperation
Medford police have asked cooperation in reporting acts of vandalism. Chief Charles Champlin said extra patrolmen will be on duty tonight, and expressed hope that children continue to cooperate this year as they have the past few years.

Moore Hamilton, Medford, postmaster, said every attempt would be made to apprehend and prosecute persons guilty of mail box destruction tonight.

Hamilton pointed out that mail box destruction is a federal offense. Last year, several boxes in Jackson county were destroyed or damaged by vandals on Halloween.

Petitions Filed For Director Of Talent District

Holmes, Meyer Only Race in 4 Districts

The only election for director in four Jackson county irrigation districts will be held in the Talent district Tuesday, Nov. 8.

David Holmes, route 3, box 208, Medford, and incumbent Joe Meyer, Talent, have filed petitions seeking election to the board in the Talent district. The poll will be at the Talent district office.

Reinstated
Incumbent directors in Rogue River Valley, Medford and Eagle Point irrigation districts have automatically been reelected. Single petitions were filed for incumbents, and under Oregon law, directors automatically are reinstated if there is no opposition.

Reelected were C. H. Taylor, route 1, box 228, Central Point, to Rogue River Valley district; J. C. Cameron, 2946 Roberts rd., Medford, to Medford district; and C. J. Greb, box 104, Butte Falls, to Eagle Point district.

Earlier petitions also were filed by Don Minear, Jacksonville-Phoenix rd., and Archie Ferns, Fern Valley rd., for election as directors of the Talent district, but both have withdrawn.

Five Reasons
Holmes said he was asked to seek election from livestock interests in the southeast area of the district. He listed five reasons why he accepted and is seeking election. They are:

1. Positive action toward progress on the Talent project.

Holmes said he believes the rehabilitation project is not progressing as "fast as it might" and that "more aggressive action by the board might be of assistance" to the project.

2. A complete "review of existing facilities." Holmes said he would like to have an "actual physical inspection by the board with a view toward securing federal funds for necessary rehabilitation work."

3. Holmes said he wanted a "complete review of management policies and procedures." He said he thought there should be more publicity on the activities of the district so residents may know what the district is doing.

4. "Appointment of a dairy stockman - fruitgrower advisory committee to the board to counsel with the board on problems which are urgent and pertinent to the operation of the district."

5. "Better utilization of existing water for all members of the district."

Besides Meyer, other members of the Talent board include Henry Owen and Homer Moore. R. H. Kent is secretary-manager.

Boy's Body Found Ending Year-Old Hunt

Powers Lake, N. D. — (U.P.) — The discovery of a four-year-old boy's body one year after he had wandered from his ranch home raised strong suspicions today that he had been murdered.

An examination of young LaVerne Engel's body was scheduled and authorities planned to drain off the slough where the discovery was made yesterday.

Sheriff Martin S. Ryan said it was "inconceivable" that LaVerne's body had been overlooked in a shoulder-to-shoulder search by thousands of men last October.

Ryan also couldn't figure out how the little boy could have got so far out into the pond, located about a mile from his parents' ranch.

He said "I still haven't given up the possibility of foul play," and indicated someone may have placed LaVerne's body in the slough after bad weather halted the search last year.

Mrs. Smith Tells Of 'Horrible Nightmare'

McMinnville — (U.P.) — Mrs. Marjorie Smith, on trial for the slaying of her attorney husband last April in Portland, testified today that the 24 hours following her arrest were a "horrible nightmare."

Mrs. Smith, taking the stand for the third straight day, said detectives played a tape recording of Victor Lawrence Wolf's confession in her ear until she "passed out on the floor."

She testified that detectives "jeered and made fun of me" when she insisted she knew nothing of her husband's insurance or financial position.

Mrs. Smith testified Saturday that she never conspired with Wolf to murder her husband.

Supports Termed 'Planned Squeeze'

Pendleton — (U.P.) — Sen. Edward J. Thye (R-Minn.) today termed the administration's flexible price support program a "planned economic squeeze" and said the nation's farm producing plant must be cut without reducing farm income.

Thye, a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, said income could be held up by "some orderly rental program," under which the government would pay farmers to keep surplus-producing land idle.

The "theory of flexible prices" calls for lowering prices to reduce surpluses, Thye said. "Then it becomes a question of the survival of the fittest and the man with limited capital goes out of business," he added.

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Vancouver, B.C. — (U.P.) — Western Canada's biggest newsprint producer, the Powell River Company, has announced it had hiked its price of newsprint \$4 a ton.

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ACCIDENTS 10 LIVES

Albany Family Perish in Flaming Mt. Sexton Crash

Springfield Woman Hit by Car, Killed

By UNITED PRESS
At least 10 persons died in Oregon highway accidents during the week-end including four members of an Albany family in one accident nine miles north of Grants Pass.

Delbert Colbert, 22, his wife, Bonnie, 22, and their two children, Vickie, 2, and Douglas, 11 months, died in their flaming car after it had struck rear first a second car driven by Marvin P. Wineman, 20, Glendale, Ore. The gas tank of the Colbert car exploded and the family was trapped inside.

The accident happened Saturday night.

Wineman told state police he had just rounded a curve when he saw Colbert's car skidding into his northbound lane at the foot of Sexton mountain. He said he could not avoid the accident.

Five persons in Wineman's car were injured but not critically. The Albany family was en route to Crescent City, Calif.

Springfield counted its first auto fatality since 1951 when Laura M. Brockman, 74, was struck by a car just inside the city limits Saturday.

Norman J. Love, 21-year-old Reedsport sailor en route home on leave, was killed early Saturday when a car went out of control near Scottsburg.

Two Portland Deaths
Portland recorded two fatalities, its 31st and 32nd of the year. James Charles Brubaker, 17, was killed Saturday night when the motorcycle on which he was riding was struck by a car. Mrs. Pauline Koenenman, about 75, died last night following a two-car collision.

Fred Dennis, 51, Salem, was injured fatally Saturday when the car in which he was riding struck a tree.

John W. Duckworth, 25, a member of the RCAF, died yesterday after the car in which he was riding struck a hay truck west of Redmond in central Oregon.

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The shooting took place early Sunday morning in the Woodwards' lodge in this exclusive Long Island community shortly after the couple returned from a party honoring the Duchess of Windsor at the home of Mrs. George F. Baker.

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Pres. Request for Four-Cent Postage

Denver — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower in a conference today with Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield agreed to renew his request to Congress next year for higher postal rates.

Summerfield, former chairman of the Republican National committee and one of Mr. Eisenhower's chief campaign advisers in 1952, said that not a word of politics was discussed at Fitzsimons Army hospital today.

Summerfield echoed what other visiting cabinet members have said—that it would be "inappropriate" to discuss Mr. Eisenhower's political future and the current political scene while the chief executive is recovering from a heart attack.

Summerfield indicated that the administration again would ask for four-cent first class postage and seven-cent airmail rates. He said a request for higher rates in the first three classes was vital to reestablishment of the Post Office department on a "pay-as-you-go" basis rather than continuing to build up a departmental deficit which totals more than \$4,500,000,000 since the end of World War II.

Summerfield thought the public at large was ahead of Congress in realizing the necessity for higher postal rates. Congress last year turned down the administration request, but Summerfield felt that people realized they are not actually paying three-cent postage, but more, because of the annual postal deficit.

Reporters tried all possible lines of questioning to determine whether Summerfield had talked politics with the President, but to no avail.

"I felt that under the circumstances it would be inappropriate for me to discuss politics with him (the President) or anyone else," Summerfield said.

He was asked why the administration leadership felt it inappropriate to discuss domestic politics with the President, but felt no such compunctions in discussing with him tense world political affairs such as the current Big Four foreign ministers meeting.

He said it was simply a matter of being primarily interested in having Mr. Eisenhower recover his health.

Navy Flying Boat Crashes in Panama
Colon, Panama — (U.P.) — A U.S. Navy Marine twin-engine flying boat crashed onto a breakwater on takeoff today and burst into flames.

One of the eight men aboard was known to have survived. The other seven were missing.

Washington — (U.P.) — The Agriculture Department says it will buy 100,000 tons of domestic sugar before Dec. 31.

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police said "nearly ripped off his head."

The beautiful blonde immediately called servants and police who found her husband's nude body lying in a darkened hallway connecting Woodward's bedroom with his wife's. Mrs. Woodward said they had both gone to bed armed because of a prowler, believed responsible for at least 40 local burglaries, had been lurking around their home.

Mrs. Woodward, the daughter of a middle class Pittsburgh, Kan., family, married the banking heir in Tacoma, Wash., in 1943. They had two children, William III, 11, and James, 7, who were reported to have been taken to the Manhattan home of their paternal grandmother after the tragedy.

Communist China Releases 4 More American Citizens

Hong Kong — (U.P.) — The Chinese Communists released four more Americans today, including a Catholic priest, the White Russian wife of an American sailor and a 35-year-old Fulbright student who said Communist "rehabilitation" had improved her.

Those released were: Father Armand Proulx of Lawrence, Mass., a Jesuit priest in China since the 1930s.

Mrs. Nadeshda M. Romanoff, wife of an American sailor, and her daughter, Irene. They have been living in Harbin, Manchuria, where the Reds refused repeated requests for an exit visa.

Mrs. Romanoff is a naturalized American citizen.

Miss Harriet Mills, a Fulbright scholar of New York City.

Miss Mills came to Hong Kong by train from Peiping. The others arrived aboard the British ship Hanyang.

Father Proulx said he had spent 43 months in jail in Shanghai where he was questioned at least 30 times.

Dulles Statement Designed to Better Soviet Relations

Other East Europe Countries Included

Geneva — (U.P.) — The United States announced today it is lifting immediately all passport restrictions on travel of Americans to Russia and other east European countries.

It came as each of the ministers made opening statements on the question of increased East-West contacts, and shortly after Dulles made the announcement at the fourth plenary session of the Big Four foreign ministers conference.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Harold MacMillan and French Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay agreed to "consider sympathetically" Israeli demands for defensive arms.

Significant Move
Dulles told the meeting that the passport restrictions were lifted as of today. This makes U. S. passports valid for the Soviet Union and all other East European countries with which the United States maintains relations.

Dulles' move was one of the most significant actions designed to better relations between countries on both sides of the Iron Curtain.

In seeking to relieve the accumulated tensions between the Communist and non-Communist worlds, the West challenged Russia to stop jamming western broadcasts, quit censoring news and let down the bars to free travel to and from the Soviet Union.

The West also called for stepped up trade with the Iron Curtain countries.

Spearheading the West's drive Dulles also proposed:

1. An agreement on reciprocal aviation rights between the United States and Russia to enable American airliners to land at Moscow and Soviet airliners to land at New York.

2. Free circulation of the U.S.-sponsored Russian language magazine "Amerika" in the Soviet Union and circulation of an official Soviet magazine in the United States.

3. Distribution of U. S. films in Russian and reciprocal setting up of information centers.

4. Increased exchanges of tours between the United States and Russia.

5. Stepped up trade with the Soviet Union.

Discuss Mideast Crisis
After a preliminary round of statements, the Big Four planned to turn the question of East-West contacts over to their experts for the preparation of detailed plans within the next two weeks.

In their preliminary session, the western foreign ministers had devoted their main attention to the looming Middle Eastern crisis.

Accident Victim Still In Critical Condition

Paul Palmer, 30, Ashland, still is in critical condition at Sacred Heart hospital where he was taken Friday afternoon after he fell about 30 feet while working for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in the Little Applegate area.

The workman, employed out of the Medford office of the firm, is reported to have fallen from a tree while removing a circuit along a county road. He received chest injuries, it was reported by company officials.

Closed Fire Season Ends at Midnight

The 1955 closed season on Oregon state department of forestry protected land ends at midnight tonight.

Gov. Paul Patterson lifted the fire season by proclamation last week end. A copy of the proclamation was received Saturday by state forest patrol headquarters here.

Burning permits will not be required again until April 1, 1956.

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WEATHER

FORECAST — Generally cloudy with occasional showers to night and Tuesday. Snow flurries in mountains. Low tonight 38. High Tuesday 52-55. Temp. 57. Precip. 57. Highest yesterday 57. Lowest this morning 37. To 4:30 a.m. today 35.