



POINTING THUMBS DOWN University of Pittsburgh football players show what they think of Georgia Governor Marvin Griffin who is trying to block Georgia Tech from playing in the Sugar Bowl if Pittsburgh's Negro player, Bobby Grier, is part of Panther team. Players are (from left) Bob Kiesel, Nick Carr, Jim McCusker, Don Agafon. (International)

Douglas Authorities Investigate Explosion

Roseburg —(U.P.)— A violent explosion heard over a 15-mile radius Saturday night was being investigated by state and Douglas county authorities today.

The blast was audible from Oakland, Ore., to Myrtle Creek to the south, and from Nonpareil west to Tyee.

State police said one man reported seeing a large ball of fire in the vicinity of Tyee Mountain west of Sutherlin at the time of the blast.

The explosion occurred at 9:47 p.m. Saturday. A check of the Portland filter center revealed that no jet aircraft was in the area at the time.

A police check of all powder magazines indicated that dynamite had not been used to cause the explosion.

Motorist Tells Weed Police of Beating

Weed, Calif.—(U.P.)—Louis Tupen, 32, Woodland, Calif., was hospitalized here today for treatment of injuries he told police were inflicted by two men who appropriated his car, beat him and dumped him from the vehicle.

Tupen said the incident occurred between 2 and 3 a.m. Monday on Highway 99 between Weed and Mt. Shasta. Tupen was taken to the hospital by Mt. Shasta police, suffering from a lacerated knee and multiple bruises.

Later, a wrecked car which turned out to be Tupen's was found five miles north of Weed on Highway 97. Officers were searching for the two men.

Bids Called on Two Area Highway Jobs

Two Jackson county highway jobs will be among 21 on which bids have been called by the state highway commission for its meeting in Portland Dec. 19 and 20.

One is for the production of about 14,000 cubic yards of crushed rock or gravel, stockpiled on the Pacific highway between Ashland and the California state line. The other is for lighting of six intersections on Highway 99 between Central Point and Rock Point. It calls for about 25 wood poles, 2,000 lineal feet of conduit, 18,000 lineal feet of conductor, 29 mercury vapor lamps, and ballasts.

Leftist Leaders Rap Faure's Censorship

Paris —(U.P.)— Former Premier Pierre Mendes-France banded with other leftist political leaders yesterday and attacked Premier Edgar Faure on grounds he had imposed an "unscrupulous censorship" on French radio and television networks to aid his reelection campaign.

Mendes-France teamed with the Socialists, the Republican Socialists and the Social Democrats (UDSR) in a solid leftist bloc to attack Faure in Mendes' newspaper L'Express. The lineup indicated the lines were being solidly drawn for the forthcoming campaign.



DEFENDING General Motors business ethics in Senate Anti-Monopoly Subcommittee hearing, Harlow Curtice, company president, says "relations between General Motors and the majority of its dealers is on very high level." (International)

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Plea Changed in Death Of Chiloquin Logger

Klamath Falls —(U.P.)— Marcellus John Norwest, 26-year-old Sprague River logger, has pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of manslaughter for the slaying of Jackie Howard Jones last August.

Klamath County Circuit Judge David R. Vendenberg ordered a presentence investigation.

Norwest today withdrew a plea of not guilty to a second degree murder charge in connection with the death of the 24-year-old Chiloquin logger, and entered the other plea.

The shooting took place on a Chiloquin street during an argument over the sale of a case of beer. Norwest claimed he shot at Jones merely to frighten him.

No Survivors Seen At Wreckage of C-45

Meodon, Utah—(U.P.)—The first members of a ground party reaching the wreckage of an Air Force C-45 in the Wasatch Mountains near here yesterday confirmed preliminary reports that neither occupant of the C-45 survived Wednesday's crash.

Government Camp —(U.P.)— Portland area Boy Scouts Sunday dedicated their \$5,000 Mount Hood home near Nanitch point at the southern base of the mountain.

The Ohio river starts at the junction of the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers at Pittsburgh, Pa., and ends at Cairo, Ill., where it joins the Mississippi, a distance of 981 miles.

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Canton Retailers Go For 'Capitalist' Plan

Tokyo —(U.P.)— Peiping Radio said today half of the private retail traders in Canton have switched their businesses into "state capitalist" enterprises.

More than 71 per cent of the city's retail trade is now being handled by state capitalist shops, the broadcast added. It said state trading companies have almost replaced private wholesale dealers, who now account for only 4.5 per cent of the total.

Mountain Ranges Said To Affect Weather

Los Angeles —(U.P.)— Sharp, high mountain ranges such as California's High Sierras are believed to affect the whole nation's weather.

The U. S. Air Force and the Office of Naval Research have financed a study of what effect mountains have on the weather. To carry out the study "flying laboratories," gliders have been sent over the peaks. So far scientists have learned:

- 1—Air flowing over long, high mountain ranges plunges downward over the leeward side, then upward and downward again in a series of waves that often reach well into the stratosphere.
 - 2—These violent up-and-down drafts are accompanied by larger scale horizontal waves which flow across the country like a river.
 - 3—Where the air flowing across the mountain descends, it is compressed and heated but on rising again it cools and expands. If the air cools sufficiently for water vapor to condense, clouds form.
- This indicates that mountain ranges are not merely local weather factors but have application to the entire range of weather research, according to project scientists.

Morse Sees Pooling Of Power Important

Portland —(U.P.)— Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) testified before a special water and power resources subcommittee yesterday that he was just as opposed to a federal power monopoly as he was to a private power monopoly.

Morse told the subcommittee he believed "multi-purpose dams should be built by the government and the low head dams by private utilities." He said the key to economic progress in this area was the pooling of the power from public and private agencies.

Salem —(U.P.)— The legislative interim committee on local government will open the first of a series of state-wide public meetings in the city hall here tonight.

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