

Soldiers Slightly Injured in Mishap

Portland—(U.P.)—A nose wheel of a four-engine C-124 Air Force Globemaster collapsed as the plane landed here last night and some 50 soldiers suffered burned hands sliding down escape lines to safety.

The plane carried about 100 airmen of the 460th fighter-interceptor group returning from Georgia where they had been on a training mission. There were no serious injuries.

The big plane stopped in the middle of the two longest runways on the field and incoming traffic was stacked up over the city for almost two hours. Twin engine craft which could use shorter runways at the International airport were the only planes which could leave until the C-124 was pulled away from the runways.

Those aboard were ordered to leave the ship by "escape lines" when officers feared the plane might catch fire. The lines run from the top of the plane which is as tall as a two-story building. The soldiers with burned hands were treated at the base hospital.

Florida Snails To Wage War on Hawaii Variety

Lessburg, Fla. —(U.P.)—Two hundred mean and hungry cannibal snails raised in Florida are on the way to Hawaii to wage war on giant snails in vegetable gardens.

F. C. W. Kramer Jr., 81, raised the snails as a sideline and sold them to the Hawaiian government for 25 cents apiece. He airmailed the snail colony Wednesday.

"These cannibal snails are so mean that they will not only eat other snails, but each other as well," Kramer said. "We had to pack them in egg cartons and give each snail a stateroom of his own for the air voyage over the Pacific."

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon, Saturday, 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day

Sparkman Serves Notice Demos To Make Issue of Ike's Health

Washington—(U.P.)—Sen. John J. Sparkman (D-Ala.) served formal notice Wednesday night that Democrats would make President Eisenhower's health a major campaign issue.

He said Mr. Eisenhower was working only a 35 to 40 hour week now compared to the 60 hours he devoted to the affairs of state before his heart attack.

The people will not reelect "a part-time president to deal with full-time problems," he said.

Sparkman, Democratic vice-presidential nominee in 1952, made his charges in delivering to the nation the Democrats' "reply" to Mr. Eisenhower's radio-TV speech of last week explaining his decision to seek a second term.

Sparkman spoke over the Mutual Broadcasting System, the only network giving the Democrats equal time to answer Mr. Eisenhower. The other networks argued that Mr. Eisenhower spoke only as a candidate for the Republican nomination and not against the Democrats. Sparkman said that "if a full measure of health is ever needed anywhere, it is needed in the White House."

He said that reelecting Mr. Eisenhower as a "part-time president" would weaken the presidency itself. He pointed out that Mr. Eisenhower already has said he would hand over "to his associates functions which lie at the very core of the presidency, and which, under the constitution, cannot be delegated to non-elected subordinates of the president."

Sparkman also said that despite White House claims Mr. Eisenhower has not returned to "full-time . . . command" since his heart attack.

Charges Mideast Indecision He said Mr. Eisenhower's "isolation from the stream of events" had been reflected in administration "indecision" on Middle East policy, the farm and

defense crises, in meeting Russia's new "economic offensive" and in Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' "brink of war misadventure."

The President told the nation in his radio-TV address that as a result of his heart attack, he would have to curtail some activities but could carry out "important" duties as well as ever. At his news conference

Wednesday, he gave this reply when asked what he would do if he found out before the Republican National Convention that his health has deteriorated: "I have said, unless I left absolutely up to the performance of the duties of the president, the second that I didn't, I would no longer be there in the job or I wouldn't be available for the job."

Jacksonville Play Scheduled Friday

Jacksonville — "It's Great To Be Crazy," a three-act comedy by Donald Peyton, this year's Jacksonville High school senior class play, will be presented Friday, March 9, at 8 p.m., in the high school gymnasium.

Thayer Tarvin of the Footlighters is director, and Miss Phyllis Stevens, a senior at the school, is student director.

Tickets will be on sale at the box office the night of the play and reserved seats, general admission and children's tickets will be available.

Infectious Hepatitis Among Cases Listed

One case each of infectious hepatitis and infectious mononucleosis were reported to the Jackson County Health department during the week ending March 3, according to the weekly department report on communicable diseases.

The cases were both reported from Medford.

Other cases in the county included 22 chicken pox, five strep throat, four pneumonia, three pink eye, six trench mouth, eight measles, two mumps and 11 influenza.



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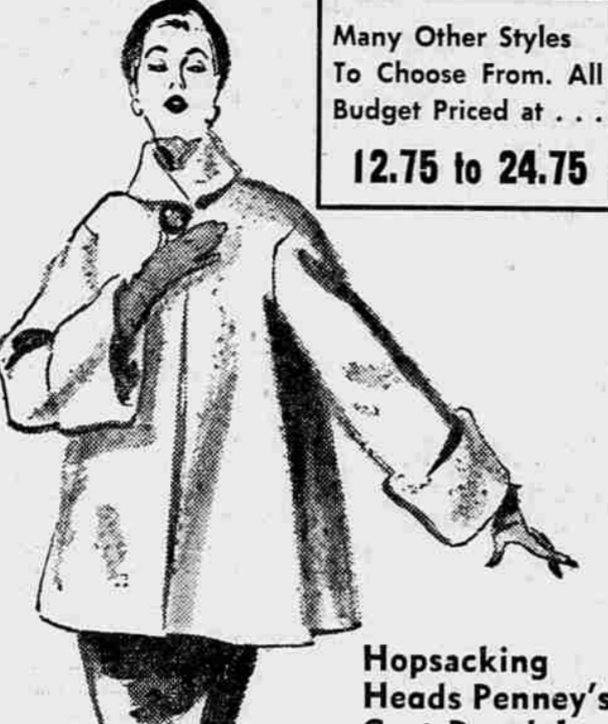
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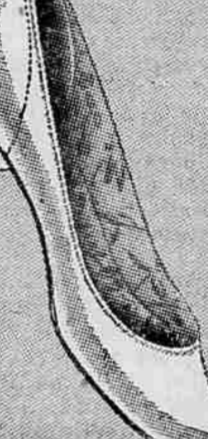
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