



NOTHING TO IT—Twenty-two-month-old Melody Furtado of Turlock, Calif. is the picture no nonchalance as she takes charge of feeding this Hereford steer in San Francisco's Cow Palace. The steer belongs to Gene Armstrong, 4-H boy from Patterson, Calif. and is his entry in the current Grand National Junior Livestock Exposition.

Communist Party Headquarters, Daily Worker Seized by T-Men

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Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to night and Wednesday. Low tonight 30-32. High tomorrow 60.
Temp. Highest yesterday 47
Lowest this morning 34

Surprise Raids Made for Failure To Pay Income Tax Offices Seized Across Country

New York — (U.P.) — Treasury agents seized Communist party headquarters and offices of the Daily Worker across the country today for non-payment of an estimated \$300,000 to \$400,000 in income taxes.

A Treasury spokesman said tax liens were filed simultaneously against the party and publishers New Press, Inc., corporate owners of the Communist newspaper.

T-men raided offices of the party and the newspaper in New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Detroit and Chicago, it was said, seizing assets to cover the unpaid taxes.

The surprise raids were understood to have been made under terms of the law which permits a tax collector to take abrupt action when he believes assets may be dispersed to prevent collection.

District Collector of Internal Revenue Donald R. Moysey said that although the assets of the Daily Worker would be seized he presumed the newspaper could continue publication if, as officials believed, it does not own its presses.

No Financial Records The party and its branches were estimated by the Treasury to owe \$250,000 to \$300,000 in taxes.

A Treasury spokesman said the party claimed to have no financial records. He said it had refused to cooperate with tax investigators and had refused to file a claim for exemption which it might be entitled to as a political party.

Alan Max, managing editor of the Daily Worker, said Treasury agents had attempted to force members of the newspaper staff to leave the office. He said the staff had remained, however, and "we're getting out tomorrow's paper."

Talent Committee Schedules Meeting Talent — A special citizens' committee meeting will be held at the Talent city hall at 8 p.m. today to protest last week's firing of Talent City Marshal John Baldwin, it was learned today.

Baldwin was fired at a special city council meeting last Monday after Mayor Keith Thoreson recommended his dismissal and the council unanimously upheld the recommendation.

The council later gave Baldwin until April 1 to submit his resignation. A council meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday to consider hiring a new marshal and to hear citizens' complaints.

Thoreson said he had heard many complaints concerning the marshal for the past year and one-half. Baldwin was employed by the city about two years ago.

Siletz Plywood Camp Destroyed by Flames Newport, Ore. — (U.P.) — Flames engulfed the shops and office building of Georgia Pacific Plywood corporation's camp 12 south of Siletz, Ore., last night and caused \$150,000 damage. Cause of the blaze was still under investigation today.

The combined Siletz, Toledo and Newport fire departments fought the flames which raged through the logging operation's shops, an office building and an unoccupied dwelling.

Last in the fire were two steam locomotives, a newly overhauled bulldozer, two trucks, three lathes, two drill presses, a diesel light plant, an overhead crane, tools and other shop machinery. All were described as a total loss after the roof of the shop building caved in an hour after the flames were spotted at 7:45 p.m.

Truck Freight Rate Increase Requested Portland — (U.P.) — The Pacific Inland Tariff bureau today asked the Oregon Public Utilities commission for a six per cent increase in truck freight rates.

The bureau, representing the truck lines in the state, said the increases would be necessary to meet higher wages granted in new contracts this year.

North American Big Three Review World Situation

Dulles Gives Report On Tour of Asia

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower and the Canadian and Mexican chiefs of state today reviewed the troubled world situation and ways to strengthen continental ties.

Mexican President Ruiz Cortines and Canadian Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent joined Mr. Eisenhower around a big mahogany table in the first such "good neighbor" conference in history.

Canvass World Problems The North American Big Three canvassed world problems, from the Middle East crisis to the task of forging greater continental solidarity against the Russian strategy of economic penetration.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles gave a report on his recent tour of 10 Asian countries and an analysis of the Middle East crisis and the Far East situation.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty emphasized again that no agenda was before the meeting. He said Mr. Eisenhower's aim in calling the conference was "getting to know each other better."

Brother Joins Group Each principal was flanked in the conference by his secretary of state or foreign affairs, plus top specialists in hemispheric matters.

The conferees also were joined by Dr. Milton E. Eisenhower, youngest brother of the President and one of his principal advisers. Dr. Eisenhower is president of Pennsylvania State University. In 1953 he made a tour of Latin America.

Some of the delegates to the conference and observers from both north and south of the border found it hard to believe that Mr. Eisenhower would summon such a high-power meeting primarily for social reasons. As a result, there were myriad, but unsupported, reports that the three leaders would delve into such subjects as Russian offers of economic aid to Latin America and the explosive situation in the Middle East.

Personal Diplomacy But if these serious subjects were up for conversation, the spokesmen for the three principals gave no indication of it.

The conference was viewed as a new departure by Mr. Eisenhower into the realm of personal diplomacy, shorn of all the exhausting ceremonial trappings of formal state meetings in Washington.

Mr. Eisenhower adhered to the note of informality in entertaining his guests at dinner Monday night. The three principals exchanged warm, but informal, toasts to hemispheric solidarity. The toasts were not formal in the sense the dignitaries who made them remained seated.

The three leaders will return to their capitals Wednesday.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES New York — (U.P.) — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 508.68, off 3.74; 20 railroads 170.17, off 1.28; 15 utilities 67.46, up 0.14, and 65 stocks 180.07, off 1.05. Sales today were about 2,540,000 shares compared with 2,720,000 yesterday.

Republican congressional leaders had predicted that President Eisenhower would veto the farm bill if either 90 per cent price supports or dual parity were provided for.

Ike's Voice Heard By Oregon Republicans Portland — (U.P.) — The voice of President Eisenhower was heard last night as Republican state headquarters launched a statewide registration drive.

Mr. Eisenhower spoke by tape recording over telephone hook-ups to 34 counties. He stressed the importance of precinct workers.

Gov. Elmo Smith spoke of the importance of getting first voters to register and State Chairman Wendell Wyatt urged all workers to get into the campaign.

NO EVIDENCE OF STATE GRAFT

Marion Jury Says Charges Mostly Heresay and Rumor

Allegations Found To Concern Policy

Salem — (U.P.) — A Marion county grand jury wound up its week-long deliberation of charges of graft in the state institutions last night with the report that the charges were "mostly hearsay and rumor."

No indictments were returned. The jury's report said that most of the allegations brought by Al Richardson, former food manager at Oregon state prison, concerned matters of policy rather than violations of the law and that many of the alleged instances occurred many years ago.

Practices Criticized However, the practices of many institutions of furnishing subsistence to certain employees and officials was criticized by the group.

The jury endorsed a recent food report which criticized food handling practices at several institutions.

District Attorney Kenneth Brown said the jury heard 64 witnesses in the course of the probe which covered Fairview home, State hospital, State Tuberculosis hospital, the School for the Deaf, Hillcrest School for Girls and MacLaren school.

The report, submitted to Circuit Judge George Duncan, said "there is not sufficient legal evidence to support any criminal indictment and there is no evidence of widespread graft and corruption" as charged by Richardson.

"We found Mr. Richardson's charges were based not upon personal knowledge but upon hearsay and rumor," the report stated.

"There were many charges made concerning the procuring, distribution, preparation and handling of food in the various state institutions and of alleged incompetence of employees, poor management, etc. But we feel that these are matters of policy rather than violations of criminal laws, and therefore outside the province of this grand jury."

Richardson, who is now a candidate for the Democratic nomination for state treasurer, said the jury's report was "quite a surprise to me." He said, however, he had no plans to carry the charges any further.

Two Bound Over to Circuit Court Here Lawrence Duncan Ferguson, 20, Renton, Wash., and William Hugh Mitchell, 19, Salem, both charged with forgery, were bound over to circuit court Monday afternoon. Each is being held in the county jail on \$1,500 bond.

Mitchell was arrested by city police in Medford Monday and Ferguson was arrested in Ashland Saturday by county authorities.

Ferguson led Deputy Sheriff Paul Bettiol and C. F. Ward, a private citizen, on a prolonged chase after forging a name on an invoice for 40 gallons of gas and two gallons of oil at Torreon's Texaco service station, sheriff's deputies said.

Man Fined \$80 for Reckless Driving Richard Theodore Hanson, 22, Medford, was fined \$80 and his license was suspended for 30 days when he appeared in district court Monday on a reckless driving charge.

Hanson was arrested by state police March 20 after he had been racing with another driver on Highway 99 between Medford and Ashland.

Fire Destroys Home After Family Moves In Saturday Night A family of four was made homeless only one day after arriving from Redlands, Calif., when fire Saturday night destroyed their rented two-story frame dwelling on Butte Falls rd.

The family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Terrell, Sandra, 6, and Donald Ray, 7, arrived in the Eagle Point area Friday. Saturday they moved their furniture and personal belongings into the house, which was owned by Dave Hanford.

Flue Fire Starts Saturday night the family left the house to have dinner with Terrell's sister, Mrs. Charles Stockton, Box 59, Eagle Point. During their absence a flue fire apparently started and spread to the rest of the structure. A cabin near the house, in which a number of belongings were stored, also burned. The Terrells, who said they had left only one in the fireplace, spotted the fire at about 9:30 p.m. They were unable to salvage any of their possessions. Nothing was insured.

The Terrells are currently making their home with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stockton, box 59, Eagle Point. Terrell has been without work for five or six months.

Neighbors are soliciting clothing and household articles for the fire victims and donations are being received at the Lee Stockton residence. Items will also be picked up if donors call Butte Falls 2362 or Valley 6-3953 at Eagle Point.

Early Date for Trial Offered D'Autremont

Portland — Judge Gus Solomon has suggested June 5 as a possible date for trial of Hugh D'Autremont for assault on a mail clerk in connection with the robbery of a Southern Pacific train in a tunnel in the Siskiyou mountains in October, 1923.

Judge Solomon's suggestion was made after he refused yesterday to dismiss the indictment. The judge offered "the earliest trial you want," a trial which D'Autremont says has been denied him for almost 30 years despite his availability. The charge is that he stands blocks D'Autremont's application for parole from a life sentence for murder in connection with the robbery.

Phillip J. Roth, engaged by the Oregon Prison association to represent D'Autremont, is a Republican candidate for the congressional seat now held by Edith Green. He said he would confer with his client about the trial but would not try it before the May 18 primary election.

One of D'Autremont's grounds for asking dismissal of the indictment was that many witnesses on both sides were either dead or unavailable. Postal Inspector Stanley Smoot told the judge that government witnesses recently were reached and that "better than 90 per cent" are still available. The witnesses at the murder trial of the three D'Autremont brothers in Jacksonville are scattered but could be notified within a few weeks, U. S. Attorney C. E. Luckey said.

D'Autremont was 19 when he and his older brothers, twins Roy and Ray, now 56, dynamited the train in an attempted mail holdup.

Clerk Blown To Bits The clerk named in the federal indictment was blown to bits by the blast. The brothers shot and killed three other trainmen and one end of the mail car was blown off.

Victims of the holdup try were Elgin Dougherty, the mail clerk, Ashland; Sydney Bates, engineer, and Marvin Seng, fireman, both of Dunsmuir, Calif., and C. O. Johnson, brakeman, Ashland.

The brothers escaped but after a world-wide hunt one was found serving in the U. S. Army in the Philippines and the other two were located in an eastern state. In exchange for pleas to guilty of first degree murder in Jackson county circuit court, they received life terms, now being served.

Hilt Residents Killed in Crash Near Hornbrook Hornbrook — Two Hilt, Calif., residents were killed and four were injured Saturday night when a car collided with a cement transport truck about a mile north of the California quarantine station on Highway 99 near here.

Mrs. Bonnie Vieira, 62, and Norman Dutro, 30, both of Hilt, were killed.

In Siskiyou county hospital at Yreka with critical injuries are George Vieira, 40, husband of Mrs. Vieira; Ruby Williams, 41, Hilt; Russell G. Williams, 40, Hilt, and Edward Schultz, 56, Klamath Falls.

The accident occurred when the car driven by Russell Williams hit the rear of the cement truck Schultz was driving. The impact hurled the car under the truck, demolishing it. Both vehicles were traveling south on Bailey hill near Hornbrook on Highway 99.

Highway patrolmen said the truck was reported to have been traveling about 30 miles an hour when it was hit by the car. Investigation of the accident is continuing.

Passengers in the car were removed with the aid of acetylene torches.

Funeral services for Mrs. Vieira were scheduled for 2 p.m. today. Arrangements are pending for Dutro, who is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Dutro, Hilt.

Premier of Jordan Resigns in Dispute Beirut, Lebanon — (U.P.) — Jordan's Premier Samir El-Rifai has resigned over differences with King Hussein, informed sources here reported today.

The sources said the resignation followed a dispute between Rifai, who favors close cooperation with Saudi Arabia, and the young King whose hashemite dynasty traditionally has been cool to the Saudis.

Informed sources here said the conflict between Rifai and Hussein broke into the open when the young monarch met recently on the border for consultations with Iraq's King Feisal.

Rifai was "intentionally" left out of the talks, according to reports reaching here.

Informed sources here said Rifai submitted his resignation and Hussein accepted it.

Orchardists Prepare for '56 Frost Season

More than 500 orchard thermometers have been tested in the county agents' office and are being distributed to their owners, according to R. Roy Simpson, official frost forecaster for the U. S. weather bureau.

Simpson said that most fruit growers have heating equipment already set up in their orchards, and others are in the process of doing so.

Frost warning broadcasts began Monday night over stations KMED and KYJC in Medford and station KWJN in Ashland. The broadcasts will be made each day through the frost season, at 8 p.m. on KMED, 8:15 p.m. on KYJC and 10 p.m. on KWJN.

Moslem Leader Slain In Tunisia Turmoil Tunis — (U.P.) — A Moslem leader was shot dead in front of his home here at nightfall yesterday, less than 24 hours after he had been elected to Tunisia's new constitutional assembly.

Prof. Houcine Bouzina was murdered by an unidentified gunman, who darted away into the dusk before anyone could stop him. His death was one of 16 reported yesterday in this nominally - independent Arab nation.

Other top British officers. Fighting could start overnight before the Western powers knew what was happening or who attacked first.

Britain has flown part of her mobile "fire brigade" to Cyprus. It comprises two battalions of her Red Devils parachute troops. The remainder of the brigade could be flown out quickly should trouble start.

U.S. Marines on Way Some 1500 American Marines are also on their way here to join the U.S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

Both these forces will be available to try to cut short any conflict. They may be put to the test soon.

Start of Mid-East War Expected in Spring

Nicosia, Cyprus — (U.P.) — Will there be a war in the Middle East? The Jews are convinced there will be war.

Every week sees war equipment moving into Egypt. MIG-15 jet fighters from Czechoslovakia, Russian-made Ilyushin-28 jet bombers, American-made tanks. Already there are British Centurion and Russian Stalin heavy tanks.

Israel Outnumbered Israel is outnumbered in mobilized military manpower by at least two to one. Now the balance in weapons is swinging to the Arabs, too.

Why should there be war? What factors push the Mideast toward it? 1. Arabs feel that Israel, while no bigger than New Jersey, has the power and wealth of the world community of Jews behind it and inevitably will expand.

2. Jewish plans to divert the waters of the River Jordan for irrigation. Egypt's Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser has that that will be an act of aggression.

3. Wounds have never healed from the 1948-49 Jewish-Arab war. Particularly rankling is the problem of Arab refugees.

4. Some Jewish factions exhort Israel to wage "preventive war" while she still can win.

5. British influence over Jordan's Arab Legion was removed with firing of Gen. Sir John Bagoth Glubb and removal of 50

Senate Votes Down Amendment To Junk Electoral College

Washington — (U.P.) — The Senate voted down today a proposed constitutional amendment to junk the Electoral College and elect presidents by direct popular vote.

The vote was 69 to 13 against the proposal sponsored by Sen. William Langer (R-N.D.).

His plan also would have provided that presidential and vice-presidential candidates be nominated by a nationwide direct primary.

'Plain Common Sense' Langer said this would do away with the "smoke filled room" convention system for nominating candidates. A direct popular election, he said, is "just plain common sense."

Under the present "all or nothing" system, the presidential candidate winning in each state, no matter what the margin, gets all of the state's electoral votes.

Langer's plan was the second of a series of proposed changes in the electoral system that the Senate rejected. There were strong indications that none of the recommended reforms would command the two-thirds vote needed for approval.

First to fall was a proposal by Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) It would have scrapped the electoral system, awarded two electoral votes to each candidate for each state he carried, and divided the remaining 435 electoral votes in proportion to the nationwide popular vote.

Group To Suggest Assessor Successor A recommendation to the county court for appointment of a successor to the late Robert G. Fowler, county assessor, is to be made Wednesday night at a meeting of the Jackson County Republican Central committee.

Persons who were elected to the committee in the last general election will meet at 8 p.m. in the Hedrick Junior High school cafeteria.

Mrs. Frank Bash, committee chairman, said that individuals interested in the position should feel free to contact members of the committee concerning the recommendation.

Although a recommendation to the court for such appointments is not mandatory, the court has followed such action in the past.

A special telephone message from party leaders was heard last night by executive committee members, county area leaders and representatives of Young Republicans and Republican Women at a meeting at the Bash residence.

Informal talks by President Eisenhower, Gov. Elmo Smith and Wendell Wyatt, state central committee chairman, were heard by similar groups throughout the state through a special hook-up.

Conferees Approve 90 Per Cent Parity Washington — (U.P.) — House-Senate conferees on the new farm bill today approved 90 per cent of parity price supports on basic farm crops for this year.

The conferees also voted to retain in the bill a provision to require the Department of Agriculture to use the highest parity calculation possible under the so-called dual parity formula.

If the bill becomes law, the following price supports would be effective for this year's crops: Cotton, 30.4 cents a pound; corn, \$1.64 a bushel; peanuts, 12.2 cents a pound; rice, \$4.88 a hundred-weight; wheat, \$2.26 a bushel.

Republican congressional leaders had predicted that President Eisenhower would veto the farm bill if either 90 per cent price supports or dual parity were provided for.

Crop Duster Plane Falls Near Corvallis

Corvallis — (U.P.) — Power service to the wide area of the Willamette valley and from Corvallis to the coast was interrupted this morning when a crop-dusting plane equipped with cutter sliced through a 115,000-volt Bonneville transmission line between Albany and Corvallis.

The plane, a Stearman duster, was slightly burned but otherwise escaped damage. The pilot, Jack Walls, was unhurt.

Arlo Livingston, operator of the Livingston Air Service, said the wire cutter on the plane probably saved it from crashing.

Service was disrupted for eight minutes to all of Corvallis and to customers served by Consumers' Power Cooperative, Pacific Power & Light and Lincoln County PUD. Service was routed around the severed line.

Salem — (U.P.) — Salem city council has voted unanimously to continue night bus service in the city.