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WILLIAM GATES
Dies in Palm Springs

William A. Gates, Groceteria Head, Dies in California

William A. Gates, 78, president of the Groceteria, Super Food markets, died today in a Palm Springs hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending through Perl funeral home.

Youngest of a family of six, Mr. Gates was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gates. He was born May 16, 1878, at Winamac, Ind., and came to Medford in 1915.

From 1915 to 1920 he was associated with his brother, the late C. E. Gates, in the automobile business. In 1920 he established the present business in which he was a partner until 1939. Since that time he has been president of the firm.

Mr. Gates was interested in encouraging athletic activities, baseball in particular. His hobbies included egyptology and archaeology, and he made scientific studies on the subjects.

He was a past president of the Medford Rotary club; was a past director of the Chamber of Commerce; a Scottish Rite Mason; a member of the Hillah temple of the Shrine; was a member of Elks lodge, and the Methodist church. He was a former president and director of Bagley Canning company. For three years Mr. Gates was president of the State Grocers association.

His wife died on May 15, 1947. Survivors include an adopted daughter, Mrs. Paul Smith of Medford; and several nieces and nephews, Mrs. A. C. Dean and George Gates, both of Medford; Mrs. Marie Thielman, Bend; Parker Gates, in Illinois; John Gates, in California, and Marian Gates, who lives in the east.

It is the desire of the family that those wishing to honor Mr. Gates' memory, in lieu of flowers make donations to the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital, which can be mailed to the hospital campaign office at 28 South Bartlett st.

Mail Box Painting Gets Under Way Here

All city mail boxes will be painted red, white and blue stripes by the end of next week, Moore Hamilton, postmaster, said today.

The project is part of a policy being carried out by post offices throughout the nation, he said.

Hamilton said that he would appreciate it if people would refrain from touching the newly painted collection boxes to see if they are wet.

Speech in Texas Includes Plea for Unity in Europe

World Communism Said 'Gigantic Failure'

Waco, Tex.— (U.P.) —President Eisenhower proposed an "intellectual point four," a worldwide belt of technical and scientific schools, today to relieve world tensions.

The President spoke before 11,200 persons, including 665 graduates of Baylor university, in the Heart O' Texas Coliseum. His speech was a long-advertised White House statement on foreign affairs.

Pleads for Unity

Mr. Eisenhower also pleaded for European unity and seemed to be asking support for his foreign policy. He said that world Communism is a "gigantic failure."

And he advised the hundreds of millions of persons behind the iron curtain to "walk fearlessly in the fullness of human freedom" behind the leadership of the West.

As to his "intellectual point four program," he suggested that the great universities of the country join, "strongly supported," with private foundations the devoted task of a broad educational program.

He said that the whole world would be stronger, "if there existed adequate institutions of modern techniques and sciences in areas of the world where the hunger for knowledge and the ability to use knowledge are unsatisfied because educational facilities are often not equal to the existing need."

Moving Cautiously

The original point four program concerned agricultural and manufacturing techniques, to raise production in backward areas of the world. Mr. Eisenhower flew to Waco to accept an honorary doctorate of laws from Baylor, in addition to making the speech.

The President, on the basis of the prepared text of his speech, seemed, however, to be moving cautiously in his pronouncement on foreign policy.

He called world Communism "cruel, intolerant and atheistic;" a doctrine of "lure, intimidation and force."

Gigantic Failure

"Communism is, in deepest sense, a gigantic failure," he said.

He attempted to encourage the aspirations of people still pinned down behind the so-called iron curtain of Russian influence.

The chief executive said that beyond the iron curtain there are "hundreds of millions" moved by their religions and aspirations of freedom" that cannot be answered merely by more steel and bigger bombers."

Big Housing Program Passed by Senate

Washington — (U.P.) — The Senate has passed a housing program calling for construction of $135,000 public housing units during each of the next four years.

But Chairman Albert Rains of the House subcommittee on housing predicted today the House will severely slash the Senate program.

He predicted Congress will send President Eisenhower a bill calling for somewhere between 45,000 to 60,000 units.

That would be more to the President's liking. He requested a bill calling for only 35,000 units during each of the next two years.

"Yea, Team"

Bulletin

John Grove, about 32, Grants Pass, was killed about 12:30 p.m. today in a truck loading accident above Persist, according to a report from the Trail area. The accident reportedly occurred on the pole and piling operation of J. H. Baxter company, Grants Pass.

Kootenai Nearly Reaches Top of Protective Dikes

Bonners Ferry, Ida.— (U.P.) — The relentless Kootenai river flowed today at a level almost even with the tops of dikes which protect the Bonners Ferry area from flood waters while about 1,000 weary flood fighters worked to bolster those levees which had not been breached.

Two more dikes burst yesterday as the river rose to a record level of 37 feet at Bonners Ferry. The swirling waters threatened to overtop the complex network of levees protecting rich wheat producing land, but the river level dropped as flood waters spilled over another 700 acres through the holed dikes and stood at 36.7 feet at 6:10 a.m. (PST) today. Yesterday was the first time on record that the river rose above 36 feet.

9,200 Acres Inundated

Yesterday's breaches in the dikes raised the total area inundated by flood waters to 9,200 acres. If the entire diking system gave way, the Kootenai could flood about 40,000 acres in the Bonners Ferry area.

Bonners Ferry itself was not believed in any imminent danger, Lt. Col. A. L. Zacherle, Army engineer in charge of flood control operations, said. The main city dikes were bolstered with sandbags to withstand a flood stage higher than 37 feet.

Work crews made up of soldiers, national guardsmen and residents struggled to keep intact the dikes which have taken a beating from the swollen river for nearly a week.

"The longer the water remains so high, the more softened the dikes will become and the chances of washouts will increase," Zacherle said. "It's a continual battle against boils, seepage and threats of overtopping.

Portland—(U.P.)—The weather bureau said today the Columbia river may crest between the 24 and 25-foot mark at Vancouver, Wash., during the week from Memorial day to June 5.

This would put the stream 9 to 10 feet over flood stage but would fall short of the 1948 level when Vanport was inundate.

Late News Briefs

ROSE BOWL PACT VOTED

Minneapolis, Minn. — (U.P.) — The Big Ten voted today to renew its Rose Bowl contract with the Pacific Coast conference for an indefinite period.

ASKS AMENDMENT

Washington—(U.P.)—Sen. Richard L. Neuberger today called for an amendment to the law releasing Klamath Indians in Oregon from federal wardship. He said the present law might "upset the economic stability of the Klamath Falls area and result in destruction of one of the nation's finest stands of timber."

GREEKS, TURKS CLASH

Nicosia, Cyprus—(U.P.)—Greeks and Turks clashed in mass battle with knives and clubs on the streets of Larnca today. Britain sent its Middlesx regiment into action to stop it.

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Detroit—(U.P.)—Some 2,700 of the Ford Motor company's new stockholders gave Henry Ford II and the auto firm a vote of confidence Thursday.

Search Continues for Man Missing in Rogue

Grants Pass — (U.P.) — Search continued today for Phil Johnson, 45-year-old Salem man missing and feared drowned after a boating mishap on the Rogue river in wild country west of here.

Johnson was lost Wednesday as he tried to swim back to a boat which had capsized. His companions, Dr. Charles Mills and Richard F. Chambers, also of Salem, **were not harmed.**

GLENN LINN
General Chairman

RAY FRISBIE
Director of Divan

PAUL SELBY
Parade Chairman

Pacific Coast Shriners' Annual Spring Ceremonial Here Saturday

Several hundred Shriners from various Pacific coast temples will gather in Medford tomorrow for Hillah Temple's annual spring ceremonial.

Dr. George F. Guldagen of Eugene, Hillah's illustrious potentate, will preside over ritualistic work. Convention arrangements are being handled by Hillah Temple Director Glenn Linn, general chairman for the 1956 spring ceremonial, and assistants, Noble Ray Frisbie, director of the Hillah Temple ritualistic divan, and Noble Paul Selby, in charge of the ceremonial parade Saturday.

Traffic on Highway 99 southbound will be rerouted starting at 2 p.m. tomorrow for the duration of the Shriners' parade in the downtown area.

Vehicles traveling south will be rerouted east on Jackson st. to Riverside ave. and south on Riverside ave. Both north and south traffic will use Riverside ave. instead of just northbound traffic, Medford Police Chief Charles Champlin said.

Special Train

A special train with 400 Shriners of Ben Ali Temple, Sacramento, will arrive in Medford Friday at 5 p.m. to participate in the southern Oregon ceremonial.

The California delegation with five uniformed units, will be headed by Ben Ali Illustrious Potentate Clifford A. Mott, and will be escorted to hotels by Hillah Temple marching units. Pre-ceremonial activities tonight will include a Camel Corps boil at the Walker building near Bear Creek bridge starting at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. candidates will register in the lobby of the Medford hotel, and between 9 and 11 a.m. uniformed units will put on stunts and demonstrations on downtown streets.

Initiation Set

Camel corps luncheon and initiation will be held at 11 a.m. in the Pioneer room of the Jackson hotel. At 12:30 p.m. the Ben Ali and Hillah temple bands and chanters will present a joint concert in the Library park across from the Medford hotel and the play, "Little Mary," will be shown by the California Shriners.

Potentates of the two temples will visit candidates at 1 p.m. and at 1:15 p.m. candidates will undergo pre-initiation physical examinations.

Marching units, shrine dignitaries, candidates and nobles will parade on Medford streets starting 2:30 p.m., with bands, drum corps, singing groups and motorcycle escorts participating.

The parade will start at the Medford hotel, move east on Main st. to Bartlett st., north to Sixth, west to Oakdale, and south to the Medford High school where most ceremonial activities will be held.

Reception Slated

Opening pageant and flag ceremonials will be at 3:30 p.m., followed by the reception of Hillah Temple's divan, Ben Ali guests, rajahs and other dignitaries.

The Hillah ritualistic divan will present the ceremonial's first section at 4:30 p.m., followed by initiation of novices starting 5:10 p.m. Hospitality hour for all Shriners begins at 6 p.m. at the Myron Root building, Monroe and Grape sts. A barbecue supper will follow at 6:30 p.m. at the high school field. Special entertainment will climax the ceremonial at the uniformed units' oasis in the Myron Root building.

Ben Ali temple's special train will leave Medford for Sacramento Sunday morning at 10 a.m.

Directors of Chamber Ask Further Study of Bear Creek Freeway

The board of directors of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce yesterday voted to ask the state highway commission to give further consideration to a route down Bear creek for a proposed Highway 99 freeway in the Medford area.

The board acted at the request of the chamber's roundtable committee, which last week discussed the various proposed routes, and suggested that perhaps agreement could be reached on the Bear creek route by those who have objected to two other proposals — the Hillcrest route east of Medford, and the Genessee st. route in east Medford.

West Side Location

The highway commission last week announced that it would make further studies of a proposed west side location, in view of objections raised to the Hillcrest and Genessee proposals. If, in addition, it agrees to the request for the Bear creek route study, it will mean it will have four routes under consideration.

The commission plans to conduct a public hearing on the proposals here after its studies are completed.

The board also voted unanimously in favor of a resolution favoring the proposal that Prescott park, on Roxy Ann butte, east of town, be incorporated in the state park system. The resolution pointed out the advantages and potentialities of the park, now owned by the city, and the fact that Medford cannot afford to keep it and develop it to its full possibilities.

The resolution asked the city to cooperate in effectuating the proposal, and asked the highway commission to give it the fullest possible consideration.

New Sales Tax Bill Said in Preparation

Salem—(U.P.)—State Sen. John P. Hounsell of Hood River said today he was drafting a new two per cent sales tax bill with no exemptions, designed to meet the financial needs of the state and also give relief to school districts.

Sen. Hounsell said he would present the bill later to the Legislative Interim Tax Study Committee of which he is a member. The committee met here today to study the sales tax bill introduced in the 1955 Legislature. That bill was passed by the House but defeated by the Senate.

State Sen. Rudie Wilhelm Jr., chairman of the tax study committee, said it would be several months before the committee would begin on its recommendations to the 1957 Legislature.

Weather

FORECAST: Fair and warm through Saturday and Sunday. Low tonight 48. High Saturday 90.

TEMPERATURE

Highest Yesterday	72
Lowest This Morning	42

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise	4:41 a.m.
Sunset	7:36 p.m.
The Moon rises and rides low.	8:49 p.m.
Last Quarter	June 1
PROMINENT STAR	
Arcturus, high in south	10:10 p.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS	
Saturn, in southeast	8:44 p.m.
Venus, sets	9:58 p.m.
Jupiter, in the west	10:35 p.m.
Mars, in southeast	2:54 a.m.

Military Officials Studying Possible Soviet Invitation

Washington — (U.P.) — The United States seemed to be all but telling Russia outright today that an invitation for U.S. military chiefs to visit the Soviet Union would be welcome.

A military spokesman who said the idea had a "lot of merit" made it clear, however, that this country probably would attach certain terms or conditions to any acceptance of an invitation.

He did not specify except to say there would be "no purpose" in a visit calling for the Joint Chiefs of Staff to "check their shoes at the border," undergo wining, dining and a night at the opera, and nothing more.

Officials Assess Meaning

Top officials at the White House, State Department and Defense Department were trying today to assess the meaning of a reported Russian suggestion that a military visit to inspect Red armed forces would be welcome.

It could be another move in the Russian plan to convince the world of its interest in disarmament. There would be merit from the Soviet propaganda standpoint, officials granted, in a dramatic move following closely on the heels of Russia's announced intention of reducing its armed forces by 1,200,000 men. And yet the Soviets would be committed to nothing.

The Russian Embassy says it already has invited Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Air Force chief of staff, to Moscow for the June 24 Aviation Day celebrations, where hot new aircraft often are exhibited.

Deny Formal Invitation

Probably because nothing has been received in writing, the U.S. government denies that a formal invitation has been made. But officials have taken every opportunity newsmen have offered to say that any Soviet invitation would get serious consideration.

And the official reaction has been based largely on the prospect that not only Twining, but his Army, Navy and Marine counterparts and Adm. Arthur W. Radford, joint chiefs chairman, likewise may be invited.

So far there has been only a "verbal exchange on a low level" about a possible visit, Pentagon sources reported. The exchange took place between a Russian air attache and an Air Force foreign liaison officer, it was said. But an official said the result would be "highly meaningful."

Fire-Ama Program Changes Reported

Fire-Ama demonstrations of air drop of supplies and fire fighting techniques will begin at the Elk Lumber company at 4 p.m. Saturday, rather than 2:30 p.m. as previously scheduled, Fire-Ama officials said today.

The change in schedule, they explained, was made to allow residents of the area to watch the Shrine parade, which begins at 2:30 p.m., and to witness Fire-Ama events later.

Fire-Ama displays of equipment will be open to the public at noon Saturday. Participating agencies are sponsoring exhibits of fire equipment used in combatting forest fires.

State, federal and private industry groups will have a full complement of equipment and men on hand and most of the equipment dealers will have showings of modern fire-fighting vehicles and tools, officials said.

Extent of fire caches and the radio network necessary to provide communication with units will be shown on two maps of the area.

Plywood Prices In Sharp Decline

Portland— (U.P.) —The biggest drop in plywood prices since October of 1953 was reported here today.

New mill price lists mailed to wholesalers and jobbers pegged quarter-inch AD index grade at $76 per 1000 square feet. The level a few weeks ago was $88 but the market has dropped from that to $80 in the past few weeks. Most of the industry was expected to be at the $76 level soon.

The drops until today had been mostly on the basis of additional discounts on the heels of a continuing trend of high production.

Medford Police Chief Father of Daughter

A daughter, Anne Louise, was born May 24 to Mrs. Charles Champlin, wife of the chief of police of Medford, at Sacred Heart hospital. The infant weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces. The Champlins have another daughter, Judy, 5½.

Construction Bids Due on Deadwood Tunnel in Cascades

Bids will be opened at 10 a.m., July 2, by the bureau of reclamation here for Deadwood tunnel in the $22,000,000 Talent project.

The tunnel will carry water into Howard Prairie reservoir under the Cascade summit and Dead Indian rd. It will be .7 of a mile long.

Bids will be received on two schedules, bureau of reclamation officials said. One is for a 5-foot 6-inch tunnel, and the other is for a 6-foot diameter tunnel, both horseshoe-shaped.

Rehabilitation Jobs

The Talent project and rehabilitation jobs in the Medford and Rogue River Valley Irrigation districts are expected to take four to five years to complete.

Bidders will have 500 days to complete the tunnel, which is the first construction in the Talent project.

Other work on which bids are expected to be called soon include removal of a woodstave pipe siphon near Phoenix across Bear Creek and for construction of a 48-inch precast concrete pressure pipe about 1,860 feet long. The work is part of the rehabilitation work in the Medford Irrigation district.

Canal work bids are expected on construction of two precast concrete siphons 1,100 feet and 325 feet long with concrete bench flumes 320 and 140 feet to replace five wood and bent metal flumes in the main canal near Medford.

Balderstone Takes Ashland School Job

Ashland—Harold Balderstone, who has been superintendent of elementary and union high school districts at Silverton for the past four years, has been appointed superintendent of schools in Ashland.

Balderstone, who has signed a three-year contract, will begin duties July 1.

He taught in junior high school at Thief River Falls, Minn., in 1937, and became an Army air corps instructor in 1942.

In 1946 Balderstone became superintendent of schools at Comstock, Minn., and resigned the position in 1950 to attend the University of Oregon. He was a graduate assistant at U. O.

He is a member of the Oregon Education association, National Education association, Oregon Superintendents' association, Phi Delta Kappa and the Silverton Rotary club.

Phoenix May Festival Activities Open With Queen Crowning, Parade at 11 a.m.

Phoenix — The Phoenix May festival will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Community club grounds with the Cub and Boy Scouts leading the flag salute and the Phoenix High school band playing the Star Spangled Banner. Harry Canasto is bandleader.

Curt Fisher, acting master of ceremonies for the coronation of the queen, will introduce Mayor Dan Adams of Phoenix who will introduce visiting mayors. Mrs. George Smith, queen chairman, will introduce last years queen Miss Sharon James. Miss James will introduce and crown this years queen, selected on the basis of most Festival tickets sold.

The parade will leave the community grounds at 11 a.m. led by a National Guard unit, followed by the queen and her court. Floats and other entries will follow. During the noon hour entertainment will be provided by the Ashland Kiltie band. Awards for the parade will follow.

At 1 p.m. after entertainment by the Colleen Hope Dance studio, princesses will be presented gifts by Mrs. Mary Lubbers and Mrs. Georgia Smith.

From 2 to 5 p.m. entertainment will be provided by the May Pole Dancers of third grade students, Miss Pat's studio, Ceasar Muzzioli's Accordion band, Mrs. Alexander's Hawaiian band, and Miss Kay Fisher will sing at 8 p.m. Prizes will be awarded the oldest person, youngest mother, and mother of the largest family present.

Dances Scheduled

There will be a modern and square dance Saturday between 9 p.m. and 1 a.m. Vern Marshall will provide music for the modern dance and Harold Evans and Eldon Bean will be callers for square dances. The modern dance will be held in the Community club building and the square dance in the grade school gymnasium.

Prizes will be given at 10 p.m. They are a 12-foot aluminum boat, a 12 gauge shot gun, a television set, a barbecue and a Schwinn bicycle.

First Catch Reported In Spring Salmon Run

Shady Cove—The first of the spring run of salmon have reached the upper reaches of the Rogue river, and the first catch of the season was reported this week.

Making the catch — a 15-pounder — was Frank Dolenshek, who lives on the river near Trail.

He also reported the first catch of the 1955 season, which he landed a week earlier last year. This year's catch was made Monday.

Portland — (U.P.) — Linda Lee Patterson has been chosen princess of the 1956 Portland Rose Festival court by students of Roosevelt high school.