Stevenson Smothers Kefauver in California

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500TH MERCY FLIGHT PATIENT — Mercy Flights, Inc., carried its 500th and 501st patients this week when it took two Camp White members, Walter Lindsay and Raymond Conlin, to Portland for treatment at the Veterans Administration hospital. One of them is shown above being loaded into the non-profit corporation's air ambulance by two VA ambulancemen and Mercy Flights personnel. The organization started service in January, 1950, with one aircraft. It now has three in operation, and maintains its service for several thousand subscribers in southern Oregon. The 502nd patient was flown to Portland yesterday. —(Brainerd photo)

270 Medford High Seniors To Receive Diplomas Thursday

Two-hundred seventy Medford High school seniors will graduate at the school's 63rd annual commencement ceremony tomorrow at 8 p.m. The event will be held in the auditorium of Hedrick Junior High school.

Frank B. Bennett, president of Eastern Oregon college, La Grande, will be the speaker, and Edward Branchfield, chairman of the Medford school board, will present diplomas.

Other Highlights

Other high points of the program will include processional and recessional, the "Alma Mater" song and other musical numbers; invocation and benediction by the Rev. Raymond E. Balcomb, minister of the First Methodist church; and announcement of awards by Lester D. Harris, high school principal.

Among the awards will be the listing of scholastic and other honors, including Meredith Foote as valedictorian and John Van Dyke as salutatorian. Carol Denman will be named the outstanding senior girl and Monte Hoist as outstanding senior boy. The many scholarship and other award winners will be listed during the program.

Leonard B. Mayfield, superintendent of schools, will introduce the speaker.

It was decided to hold the ceremony at the new junior high school, rather than the high school stadium, because of unsettled weather predictions.

Sandra Robinson Cooper has been president of the senior class. Other officers were John Bellack, vice-president; David Drummond, secretary; Ed Reinking, treasurer, and Robert Durante, student council representative. Advisors have been Mrs. Alice Kovenz and DeVere Taylor.

Officers of the Associated Student Body this year have been Bruce Kellington, president; Nancy McKeown, vice-president; Mira Frohnmayer, secretary; Rosalie Johnson, treasurer, and Janet Perry, business manager.

"You Load 16 Tons And What Do You Get?"

Nomination at Chicago Assured, Managers Assert

Tennessee Senator Will Stay in Race

San Francisco —(U.P.)— Adlai E. Stevenson's campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination rolled in high gear today in the wake of his stunning California primary election victory over Estes Kefauver.

Stevenson's jubilant campaign managers claimed his clear cut triumph over Kefauver assured his nomination at the Chicago Convention next August.

The Tennessee senator, despite his thumping by a wide margin in the nation's most important primary test, insisted he would stay in the presidential race.

How State Voted

Returns from 18,731 of the state's 24,144 precincts gave Stevenson 774,739 votes to 479,897 for Kefauver. President Eisenhower, unopposed on the Republican ballot, had 807,787 votes.

Stevenson pocketed 68 full convention votes as a result of his California success, boosting his national total to 375 against a bare 164 for Kefauver. Even more important to his campaign managers was the fact that in a clear cut popularity test among the Democratic faithful, Stevenson was clearly the choice over Kefauver who tried and almost succeeded in wresting the nomination from Stevenson in Chicago in 1952.

Only Democrats were eligible to cast their votes in the Stevenson-Kefauver California tussle. Republicans had no choice but to vote for an unchallenged slate of 70 GOP convention votes pledged to the reelection of Mr. Eisenhower.

Surprising Strength

Since no write-in votes are permitted in California, there was no chance for rank and file Democrats to express their sentiments about other presidential dark horses like Gov. Averell Harriman of New York, Sen. Stuart Symington of Missouri or Harry Truman, who whipped Thomas E. Dewey in California eight years ago.

Any one of those three or perhaps some other longshot could come through in Chicago and snatch the nomination away from Stevenson. But the former governor of Illinois demonstrated surprising strength in his California test, and party wheels will not be inclined to overlook it.

For example, despite a strong month-long campaign by Kefauver aimed at getting the votes of racial minorities, old age pensioners, labor and the farmers, Stevenson came out on top in areas where voters in those categories are strongest.

Negroes Back Stevenson

Stevenson ran strong in Los Angeles county, the key to any California election where 2,276,000 of the state's registered 3,487,000 voters reside. In San Francisco, another Democratic stronghold, he piled up a three to one margin.

And despite attacks from Kefauver, who accused Stevenson of talking out of both sides of his mouth on the segregation issue, Stevenson captured six strong Negro precincts in San Francisco by margins as great as 20 to 1.

Even in the farm areas of the rich inland valleys where Kefauver had expected to make his best showing, the senator ran slightly behind or barely ahead of Stevenson.

Ike States Views On Stalin Attacks

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower said today that Russia's new rulers continue to follow dictatorial methods despite their extreme attacks on the late Josef Stalin.

Speaking in measured tones, Mr. Eisenhower said the new Soviet rulers have made no effort to change their dictatorial methods. In the President's view, they merely are saying that the wrong individual was in power.

Pleas Against Cuts

In other news conference comments the President:

1. Made another plea against heavy cuts in his foreign aid program. He said that unless Congress support the administration's $4,900,000,000 program adequately and cheerfully, this nation faces the prospect of spending additional billions on more weapons for itself.

2. Disclosed that the United States is re-evaluating its policy toward Marshal Tito and his Yugoslav communist regime. The President would not say, however, that the United States should cut off foreign aid to Yugoslavia now that Tito is becoming friendly with Moscow again. The United States must do whatever serves its best interests in this situation.

On Foreign Aid

3. He disclosed that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles will speak at Iowa State college Ames, in an effort to etch in simple form for the American people the basic considerations behind the foreign aid program.

4. He said he did not believe it proper for him to interfere in the Wisconsin Republican primary where Sen. Alexander Wiley, staunch administration foreign policy supporter, has been encountering difficulty. He said Wiley agreed with this position.

5. Said that Russia's invitation to Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Air Force chief of staff, would be reciprocated with the same courtesies if high Russian officers wish to come to this country.

Mr. Eisenhower set forth his views on Russian dictatorial methods in a news conference discussion of Soviet boss Nikita Khrushchev's Feb. 25 speech attacking Stalin.

Called Speech Extreme

The President said the speech was an extreme one. It was a deliberate effort by Khrushchev and his fellow leaders to de-Stalinize the Communist party, he said. The version of the speech made public here makes it appear it was intended mostly for home consumption inside the Soviet Union.

Mr. Eisenhower said the speech clearly reveals how the communist system subjugates the individual to the state.

In his speech, Khrushchev blamed Stalin for the death of hundreds of thousands of red army soldiers in World War II. It charged him with murder, by false trials and other measures, of thousands upon thousands of "honest Communists."

Chose Best Man

Other news conference highlights:

Seaton—his surprise choice of Fred A. Seaton for Secretary of Interior did not indicate White House repudiation of policies followed by former Interior Secretary Douglas McKay. He simply regarded Seaton as the best qualified man.

Health— the President was asked about his reaction to Democratic suggestions that both presidential candidates submit to physical examinations by the same panel of three doctors. He said he would have no objections to being examined by other doctors if his own physicians want to call them in.

Legislation— he urged early congressional action on remaining items of his legislative program with particular pleas for the school and postal rate increase bill.

Klamath Will Vote On Water Fluoridation

Klamath Falls—(U.P.)—Voters here will decide in November if fluoride should be added to the city's water supply, the city council decided this week.

Columbia Down Tenth of Foot At Vancouver

Portland — (U.P.) — The Columbia river fell one-tenth of a foot at Vancouver, Wash., and Army engineers reported that major dikes on the Lower Columbia river today still were holding back floodwaters from threatened areas.

But the danger from one of the highest levels in history of the Columbia was not over. The dikes were soggy and high tides still posed a threat. Heavy rain could upset the predicted slow drop in the stream.

Army engineers said that no change in the situation was reported on the lower river near Clatskanie, Ore., and Puget Island where a close watch was being kept on dikes protecting homes and farmland. The dikes withstood the high tide last night.

The Columbia at Vancouver this morning was 26.7 feet, down from the 26.8 feet level of yesterday. The Willamette at Portland dropped a bare fraction. It was 26.4 feet yesterday and 26.35 feet today. Elmer Fisher, river forecaster, said the very slow fall he predicted should continue.

There was no change in the Columbia at Umatilla but in Idaho major streams were reported on their way down. The upper Snake was dropping at Heise and the Kootenai was still dropping at Bonners Ferry.

Highway Covered

Water continued to cover Highway 30 twice a day near Westport and Clatskanie, Ore., when tides were in.

A close watch was being kept on dikes throughout the lower Columbia region where thousands of acres of farmland already were under the brown waters. No more evacuations had been reported.

Forecaster Fisher said it was hoped that the spring crest had passed, but he said heavy rain or more hot weather could change the situation.

The 26.8 foot level was one of the highest in recorded history for the Columbia.

Weather

FORECAST: Cloudy with occasional light rain tonight. Showers and occasional sunshine Thursday. Low tonight 48. High Thursday 65.

Temp.	
Highest Yesterday	65
Lowest this Morning	48

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise	4:15 a.m.
Sunset	7:45 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday	3:28 a.m.
New Moon	June 8
PROMINENT STAR	
Altair, low in east	9:35 p.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS	
Venus, sets	9:30 p.m.
Saturn, due south	10:55 p.m.
Jupiter, sets	11:29 p.m.
Mars, in southeast	2:38 a.m.

Late News Briefs

TO SEEK COMPROMISE

Washington — (U.P.) —House leaders of both parties responded quickly to a personal plea by President Eisenhower and agreed today to fight for a compromise $4,400,000,000 foreign aid program.

Speaker Sam Rayburn (Tex.) said Democratic and Republican leaders would try to restore $600,000,000 of the $1,100,000,000 cut voted by the Foreign Affairs Committee in the President's request.

AGREEMENT REACHED

Washington — (U.P.)—Western Union reached agreement with union negotiators today on a new wage contract for 34,000 workers. It calls for more than 18 cents an hour in wage increases and fringe benefits.

REAPPRAISAL ASKED

Washington — (U.P.) —Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland has called for a "searching reappraisal" of U.S. policy toward Russia.

Vet Groups Oppose Outside Promoters For Raising Funds

Six veterans organizations from Jackson county went on record this week opposing any fund raising project by veterans organizations which involves an outside promoter.

The Veterans Allied Council of Jackson county passed the resolution for organizations represented — American Legion Post 15 Medford, VFW post 1833 Medford, VFW post 4116 Rogue River, Veterans of World War I No. 14 Camp White, VWWI No. 540 Medford, and Disabled American Veterans 8 Medford.

The action was the result of discussion of promotions such as "donkey baseball games," and certain "indoor circuses" in which the producer is from out of town and gives a small percentage to the organization for use of its name in advance ticket sales, council officials said.

The secretary of the council was instructed to place with the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce a list of legal, home-operated projects of organizations in the city. The council also asked the chamber to confer with the Veterans Allied Council for authenticity of sponsorships of veterans' organizations.

The council also made plans to intensify action by veterans' organizations seeking medical and surgical facilities at the Camp White Domiciliary. It invited non-veteran civic organizations and interested individuals to participate in urging facilities at the Domiciliary.

City Suggests Park Be Taken by State

The city council last night passed a resolution recommending the state highway commission accept Prescott park on Roxy Ann butte as part of the state park system.

The resolution will be submitted to the Medford Lions club for approval before presentation to the highway commission. The Lions club donated several acres of land to the park. The department of interior also will have to approve the change because most of the 1,700 acre tract was donated to the city by the federal government for park purposes.

Previously, the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce board of directors unanimously passed a resolution urging the park be made part of the state system.

The Medford budget committee also made a similar recommendation, pointing out that the city can not maintain the park as it should be maintained because of lack of adequate finances.

Funds were budgeted during fiscal year 1956-57 for repairs to the road to the park.

Contract for Howard School Is Awarded

Harold W. Salter, Rogue River, submitted the low bid of $49,408 and was awarded a contract to construct an addition at the Howard school, it was announced today.

Salter's bid was more than $7,000 lower than the next-lowest of the seven other bids submitted, the report said.

The addition, work on which will begin immediately to be completed by the start of the school year in September, includes four new classrooms, made necessary by the increased enrollments in the school district.

Stephen Nye Appointed To City Water Board

Stephen Nye, of Nye and Naumes Packing company, was nominated by Mayor Earl Miller and approved by the Medford city council last night to replace the late Diamond L. Flynn on the Medford water board.

Flynn, mayor of Medford for three terms, died unexpectedly last March 28, of a heart attack.

Senate Confirms Seaton Selection

Washington — (U.P.)—The Senate today confirmed by voice vote the appointment of Fred A. Seaton as Secretary of Interior.

Seaton, Nebraska publisher, was named by President Eisenhower to succeed Douglas McKay. He was approved by the Senate Interior Committee yesterday.

There was no debate preceding Senate action on the nomination and only a few senators were on the floor at the time.

Democratic leader Lyndon Johnson and GOP leader William F. Knowland joined in praise of Seaton.

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) said he believed Seaton to be "a man of good character." However, Neuberger said he felt "many cogent questions" asked Seaton by the Interior Committee yesterday went unanswered.

Therefore, Neuberger said only "time will tell whether Fred Seaton will become another Douglas McKay or a Gifford Pinchot."

Now Get To Work, Tennessee Paper Tells Kefauver

Knoxville, Tenn. — (U.P.) — "Nice try, Senator," the Knoxville News-Sentinal wrote of Estes Kefauver today. "Now get on the job."

The Scripps-Howard newspaper, in an editorial, said, "Our Tennessee senator has taken a decisive beating" in both the Florida and California primaries.

"The result should put an end to Sen. Kefauver's ambitions for the presidency," the News-Sentinal said.

"We hope he now gets his feet back on solid ground, returns to his senatorial job and does the good work of which he is capable and for which Tennessee voters elected him."

D'Autremont Trial Matter Delayed for Later Consideration

Portland—(U.P.)—Hugh D'Autremont, 53-year-old convict at the Oregon state prison, will not receive a trial at this time for a 33-year-old federal charge of assaulting a mail clerk.

Phillip J. Roth, attorney for D'Autremont, said here yesterday that by agreement between himself, Judge Gus Solomon and U.S. Attorney C. E. Luckey, the matter has been held over for a later consideration.

Earlier D'Autremont had asked for dismissal of the federal indictment, charging that it stood in the way of any possible parole he might be granted.

Judge Solomon denied the request but offered D'Autremont a trial on the charge.

D'Autremont is serving a life sentence in the state prison after being convicted by a Jackson county jury of first degree murder in the 1923 dynamiting of a passenger train in Siskiyou tunnel near Ashland. A mail clerk was killed by the blast and three trainmen were shot and killed in the attempted mail-car robbery.

Council Approves 40-hour Work Week

City offices, except emergency offices, will be closed Saturdays starting July 1, the start of the 1956-57 fiscal year, when employees will start a 40-hour work week.

The council approved a recommendation by City Manager Robert Duff for a 40-hour work week last night. Duff noted that most other cities in the state are now or will be operating on a 40-hour week basis.

The 40-hour work week will be on a trial basis for the first year.

The 1956-57 budget approved by the budget committee recently provides for a 40-hour week and includes the addition of three patrolmen in the police department.

The change does not affect the fire department, where personnel work on a 24-hour shift on alternate days not to exceed 72 hours per week.

United Nations Buildings Guarded

United Nations, N.Y.—(U.P.)—Extra guards manned all entrances to U.N. headquarters today after an anonymous phone call that Cypriot extremists planned to bomb the buildings.

A caller giving no name telephoned the United Nations and warned that a bomb would be placed somewhere in the ultra-modern group of buildings at 8:30 a.m. (PST). The caller said partisans of Greek Cypriots in their dispute with Britain would plant the bomb.

U.N. officials held over guards from the night shift to implement the 50-man day force. A double guard was placed at each entrance to the 18-acre area housing the United Nations.

Baseball

AMERICAN			
Detroit	4	10	3
Boston	5	5	0

Foytack, Maas (8) and House; Brewer, Delock (9) and White.

Fire Destroys Mill In Upper Applegate

Applegate — Fire of undetermined origin destroy the Patterson Lumber company mill in the Upper Applegate, starting about 5:15 p.m. yesterday.

Mrs. Helga Mitchell, the Mail Tribune's Applegate-Jacksonville area correspondent, said it is thought that sparks from the mill burner may have caused the blaze. Only a truck, liftfork and drag line at the mill was saved. Some decked logs also burned.

Forest Service fire equipment responded to the alarm, but the fire had gained such headway by the time they arrived they were unable to be effective. The crew of the mill aided in fighting the blaze until about 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Robert Patterson, Grants Pass, owns the mill. He purchased it in July of last year. The loss is only partially covered by insurance.

Woodcock Presented Plaque by Council

Dick Woodcock, who resigned last April 5, from the city council after 3 1-3 years representing Ward II, last night was presented a plaque by Mayor Earl Miller on behalf of the council in recognition of his service on the council.

Woodcock moved from his ward and was no longer eligible to represent that district on the council. He said last night he hopes he can eventually return to city service in some capacity, possibly on the council again.

Woodcock was elected for a four year period starting January 1, 1953. No successor has been yet chosen by the council, Mayor Earl Miller said several candidates are under consideration.

August Draft Call Lists 13,000 Men

Washington — (U.P.) — The Defense department announced today that 13,000 men will be drafted for the Army in August.

The August call will bring to 2,070,300 the total men drafted for the armed forces since the Korean war started.

The August call is for the same number of men called for July and 1,000 more than were called for June and May.

July Fourth Celebration Planned by Medford YMCA

A July Fourth celebration, sponsored by the Medford YMCA and planned as an annual event, will be held at the Medford High school stadium starting about dusk July 4, Cliff McGinty, general chairman, has announced.

McGinty said the board of directors decided to sponsor the celebration to provide funds for the "Y's" Diamond Lake summer camp. Tickets for the display of fireworks are available from "Y" members and board members. McGinty said tickets also will be available at downtown locations.

He pointed out that there are no funds available in the YMCA budget for maintenance or supervisory personnel at the camp.

The display will include both ground and air fireworks, McGinty said. Members of the "Y's" Men's club will ignite various displays, following demonstrations by the Medford fire department.

McGinty said the show probably will involve about $1,000 worth of fireworks.

Bob Dames is chairman of ticket sales, and Alex McDonald is chairman of the concessions committee.

Council Asked to Consider Changing Street Name Here

A motion directing the city attorney to investigate proper procedure for changing the name of Front st. to a more suitable name was passed by the Medford city council last night.

On Feb. 9, 1955, the planning comission recommended to the council "that Front st. be changed to D'Anjou st. or some other suitable name." The recommendation was based on a petition submitted to the commission signed by property owners on Front st.

No action was taken by the council on the recommendation.

Petitioners for the change have requested the council to again consider the matter.

Property owners pointed out that the name Front st. has no official status and that the street originally was designated as D'Anjou st. They added that D'Anjou st. is listed in county assessor's records.

Some sections of Front st. are still known as D'Anjou st., they said, and the entire street should be returned to its rightful name.

Property owners requested action on the commission recommendation because they felt recent improvements along the street warrent a "more suitable name."

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