

# LAST OF SURVIVORS DISEMBARK

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## Versions of Wreck Vary in Reports By Passengers

1,698 Known Survivors Landed at New York

New York—(U.P.)—The last survivors of the sinking of the Italian liner Andrea Doria, including one previously reported dead, disembarked here today from the seriously damaged Swedish liner Stockholm amid conflicting reports that negligence contributed to the tragic collision of the two liners.

The number of known fatalities resulting from the ramming of the Italian line luxury flagship by the Stockholm off the Massachusetts coast Wednesday night was reduced to six by the surprise appearance of 14-year-old Linda Morgan among the 556 Andrea Doria survivors who arrived shortly before noon (EDT). She was believed previously to have gone down with the liner.

Another Andrea Doria passenger, Paul Watriss, 59, Manassas, N.J., died of a heart attack shortly after he was taken aboard the Stockholm from a lifeboat.

Officials of the Italian and Swedish American lines immediately began an investigation of the causes of the baffling sea accident in expectation of an official probe. There was a possibility that human error or negligence, not freak atmospheric conditions, may have been responsible for an apparent radar blackout on both vessels.

Survivors gave widely differing versions of precautionary measures taken or overlooked on both vessels.

An Andrea Doria survivor, Mrs. Ernest LaFont, Hanford, Calif., said she heard fog horn blasts every few minutes before the collision. She said many of the passengers "already were very jittery long before the accident occurred."

A Monterey, Calif., passenger, Mrs. Beulah McGovern, charged that the first three lifeboats launched from the Andrea Doria contained all crew members.

Reports on Radar  
 Capt. Gunnar Nordensen, master of the Stockholm, said on arrival here that he does not "want to blame anybody" for the collision.

Nordensen said his radar was in "tip top" condition when he left New York and just after the collision but he refused to answer questions about whether the equipment was working just before and during the collision.

The arrivals aboard the Stockholm brought to 1,698 the number of known survivors of the 1766 passengers and crewmen aboard the \$29,000,000 Italian luxury liner. The Andrea Doria sank nearly 11 hours after the collision.

State Fair Tickets On Sale Next Week  
 Salem—(U.P.)—Advance mail order and box office sales of reserved seat tickets for three Oregon state fair events will open next Monday.

J. W. Simeral, fair ticket manager, said orders for tickets for the combined rodeo and horse show, the stage revue and horse racing should be addressed to the state fair, Salem.

Date of the fair is Sept. 1-8.

Stassen Gives Partial List of Poll Backers  
 Washington—(U.P.)—Harold E. Stassen disclosed Thursday that several prominent Republicans will help finance his new poll to determine the relative political appeal of Vice President Richard M. Nixon and Christian A. Herter.

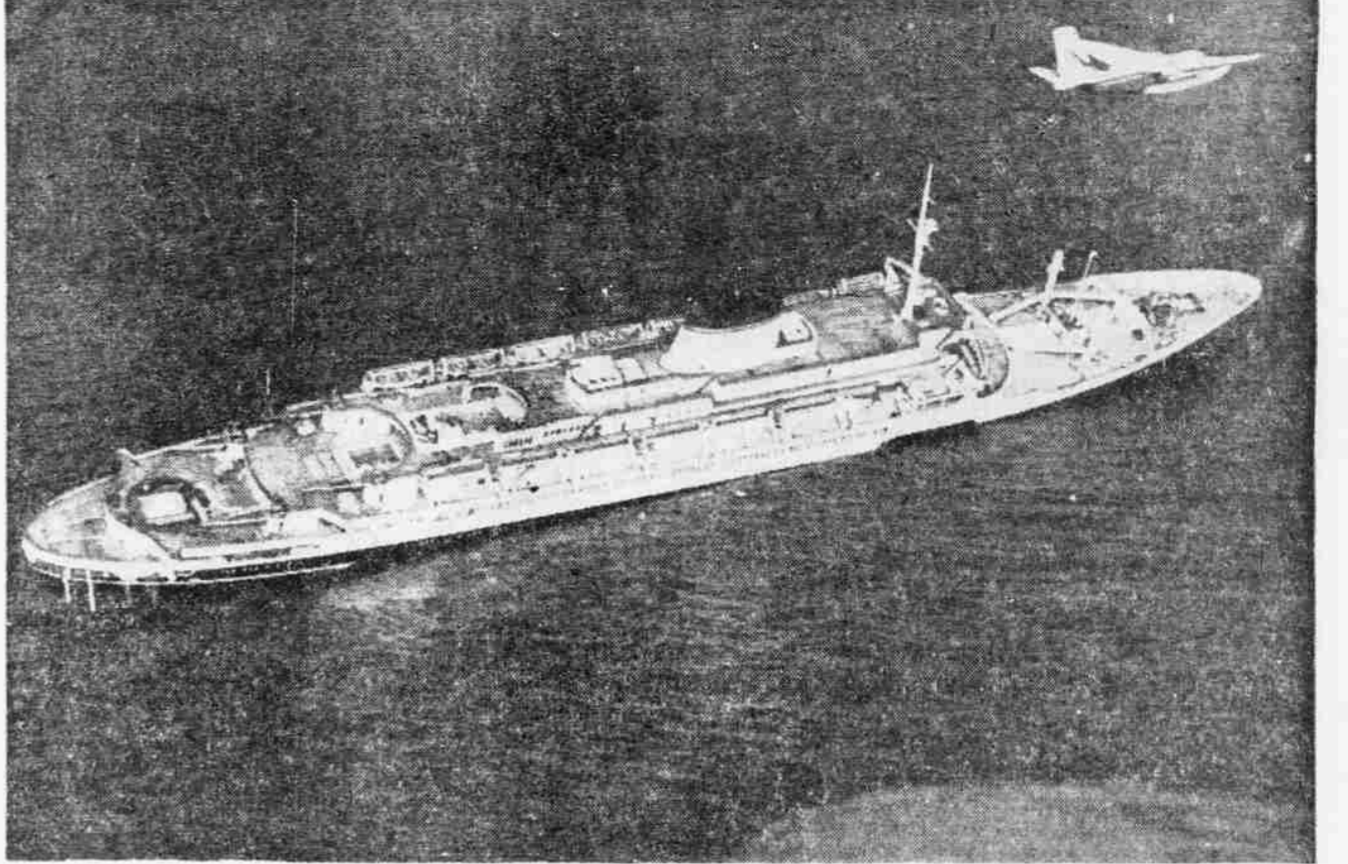
Stassen, President Eisenhower's disarmament advisor, announced the poll as the latest step in his campaign to put the Massachusetts governor on the ballot in place of Nixon in November.

The list of backers which Stassen said is incomplete includes two GOP national committee members, Bailey Vinson of Oklahoma and Elroy W. Bromwich of Missouri. Both are delegates to the GOP National Convention.

He later disclosed the partial list of backers, including H. F. Johnson, Racine, Wis., president of the Johnson Wax Co., and a convention delegate; Adolph Toigo, an active Republican and president of Lemmen-Stewell, New York; and Carl Steffel, convention delegate at large from Missouri.

Salem—(U.P.)—Floyd McGlenn, manager of the state employment office here, has announced that bean pickers are in demand in practically all sections of the Willamette valley.

Washington—(U.P.)—The Fish and Wildlife Service said Thursday that the carcass of a "monster" in Alaska is definitely that of a beaked whale.



## School Officials Plan Legislation For Validation

Medford school officials said today they plan to have legislation introduced at the next legislature to validate the consolidation of the West Side and Oak Grove districts into the Medford district.

Validation by the legislature was considered by school officials as the most desirable way of acquiring assurance of bond sales in the future because of an irregularity in publishing the notice of election for consolidation.

School officials pointed out that the district is valid in all respects with the sole exception that bonds could not be sold, according to John Shuler of the legal firm Winfree, McCulloch, Shuler and Savre of Portland. The firm specializes in bonding.

Shuler advised the district that the number of days required from the first publication of notice to the actual election starts the day following the first publication, not the day of publication of notice.

Validation of the consolidation by the state legislature, school officials said, would satisfy requirements of the bond attorneys and bonds could be issued if the need arises.

Officials said there are at present no plans for issuing bonds for school purposes within the next year, giving time for necessary documents to be prepared for submission to the legislature.

Voters in Oak Grove, West Side and Medford districts approved consolidation at a special election last April 10 after petitions were submitted to the county boundary board requesting consolidation.



**LUXURY LINER SINKS**—The Italian luxury liner Andrea Doria went to a watery grave in the Atlantic ocean yesterday after a collision with the Swedish liner Stockholm, 45 miles south of Nantucket Island. The top photo shows the Italian vessel listing sharply with rope ladders hanging limply from her side and stern. The center photo shows the Andrea Doria as she slipped to the bottom of the ocean nearly 11 hours after the collision. In the lower photo the Stockholm, badly damaged, limps toward port in New York.

## NUNN FOUND GUILTY

Formal Sentencing Set for Wednesday; Appeal Mandatory  
 Six Men, Women Out 45 Minutes Yesterday

Billy Junior Nunn, convicted Thursday afternoon of the first degree murder of 14-year-old Alvin William Eacret, will be formally sentenced in circuit court at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday.

The jury of six men and six women returned the verdict after just 45 minutes of deliberation. Since there was no recommendation for leniency, the death sentence is mandatory. Judge H. K. Hanna and attorneys on both sides appeared greatly surprised at the jury's early verdict.

Require Appeal  
 Laws passed at the last legislative session require that the case be appealed to the supreme court.

The defendant looked straight ahead and showed no signs of emotion as the verdict was read to him. Mrs. Nunn, who has occupied a front row seat throughout the trial, burst into tears a few seconds later. It was believed the jurors reached their decision on the first balloting. Jury foreman was Otto Ewaldsen.

In proving the state's case against the 26-year-old Klamath Falls millworker, District Attorney Walter Nunley put 18 witnesses on the stand and introduced 26 exhibits.

Witnesses included law enforcement officers who had worked on the case, the pathologist who examined the Eacret boy's body, the laboratory director who determined through tests that the boy had been sexually assaulted, parents of the victim and individuals who had seen Alvin and the defendant together on April 19, the day of the murder.

Exhibits included photographs of the body and scene of the crime near Tub Springs state park, the victim's clothing and some of his personal effects, the belt found tightly wound around his neck and the large handkerchief found stuffed into his mouth.

Only evidence offered by the defense were portions of tape recordings of conversation between Nunn and investigating officers in Alturas, Calif.

Appointed by the court to defend Nunn was Sam Harbison, who was assisted by A. E. Piazza. Nunley was assisted by Alan Holmes, deputy district attorney.

## O&C Control Under Forest Service in Recommendations

By A. ROBERT SMITH  
 Mail Tribune Correspondent  
 Washington — Two subcommittees of the House and Senate today joined in recommending that the O&C lands and other forestry responsibilities of the Bureau of Land Management and the Indian Bureau be turned over to the U.S. Forest Service.

This was the major recommendation offered in a report on federal timber sale policies which was based on hearings held last fall in Oregon, Washington and California and again here early this year.

Receipts Unaffected  
 Consolidation of forestry functions under the Forest Service would leave "unaffected" the receipts distribution formulas applicable to the O&C and the Coos Bay Wagon Road revested lands in Oregon which have special legislative histories," the report said.

Other recommendations were:  
 1. Increased emphasis on building access roads and obtaining access rights to reach and develop federal timber.

2. Increase number of small and medium size timber sales.

3. Advance announcement of timber sales programs and provisions of more opportunities for competition.

4. Increased salvage of dead and dying timber.

5. Improve timber inventories.

6. Increase development of new timber species.

"The joint committee finds that although the three federal agencies, forest service, BLM and Indian Bureau, are performing the same timber management functions in the same areas," the report stated, "there are confusing differences in policy, method and procedure. There is duplication, overlapping and waste."

"Under these circumstances the forest products industry finds it difficult to cope with the problem of dealing with different agencies administering the same resource. The existence of separate and independently managed agencies has led to three uncoordinated and inconsistent forestry programs.

Managed Largest Area  
 "The Forest Service managed by far the largest area of the federal timber domain. It is the most experienced of all the federal timber agencies. It performs the basic forest research for all agencies of the federal government and is technically equipped to assume even greater responsibilities."

"The joint committee believes that this agency, by reason of experience, trained personnel, and technical facilities, is the logical choice to undertake the direction of a consolidated and integrated forestry program embracing all commercial timberlands now under federal jurisdiction."

The committee recommended that BLM and the Indian Bureau retain their other functions, but simply turn over timber functions to the Forest Service to achieve "optimum economic development of the region and achievement of maximum sustained-yield production."

Immediate Action Asked  
 In a separate recommendation, the subcommittee asked for "immediate action" to prevent what it said could be the practical destruction of an Oregon forest owned by the Klamath Indian tribe.

The report said that a law passed by the last congress releasing the tribe from federal wardship could mean the "valuable resource" of the 745,000-acre forest could be lost.

It said the Interior Department should recommend steps to prevent overcutting in the forest and promised that "congress will not delay in enacting appropriate legislative measures."

Bengtson To Defend Man Charged With Tennessee Slaying  
 Medford Attorney O. H. Bengtson left Wednesday for Chattanooga and Jasper, Tenn., where he will defend a former Medford man charged with first degree murder.

Bengtson said the man was a sergeant in the Army, but did not discuss details of the case nor reveal the name of the man before he left.

He said, however, that information available indicated the sergeant was absent from his post and became involved in "an affair wherein a police officer was shot," resulting in the first degree murder charge being filed against the man.

Bengtson said he probably would be gone about two weeks.

The United Press reported this morning that Charles Edward Clark, 48, who was reported to be a native of Oregon, is being held in a Jasper, Tenn., jail.

The service reported that Clark is accused of the pistol slaying of Marion County Constable Raymond Hatfield June 7 in a tavern near the Tennessee-Alabama state line. Sheriff Nelson Dan Hooser told the United Press that Clark has denied his guilt, and has refused to take a lie detector test. Clark is being held without bond, the service reported.

The United Press said Hooser stated that Clark, when arrested, had an honorable discharge from the Army and an Alabama driver's license. Clark had worked at the tavern about a month before the shooting, the UP reported.

It added the case probably would come up for trial next week.

**Weather**  
 FORECAST: Chances of thunderstorms over mountains this evening and again Saturday evening. Otherwise fair. Low tonight 65. High Saturday near 97.  
 Highest Yesterday 86  
 Lowest this Morning 55  
 Prec. to 4:30 a.m. Today. Trace  
**Our Skies Tonight**  
 Sunrise 5:59 a.m.  
 Sunset 7:32 p.m.  
 Moonrise 9:37 p.m.  
 Last Quarter Monday  
 VENUS rises 7:47 a.m. and will be seen in the east at sunrise. Now about 41 million miles away. It has reached its greatest brilliancy as a morning star.

## Egyptian Government Takes Operation of Suez Canal

Cairo—(U.P.)—Egypt's revolutionary regime today took over operation of the Suez Canal, seized by President Gamal Abdel Nasser in retaliation to the Western withdrawal of financial support for the Aswan high dam project.

Nasser declared the nationalization of the vital 101-mile canal in a blistering anti-Western speech to cheering thousands in Alexandria Thursday.

"The Suez Canal belongs to Egypt," Nasser said. He said the revenue from the canal would be used to finance the multi-million dollar Aswan high dam project on the Nile.

Armed police immediately moved in to take over the Cairo headquarters of the Suez Canal Company, which has operated the lifeline between East and West since it was opened in 1869. Company offices and properties in Ismailia and Suez also were

taken over. Naval units already were in position at both ends of the canal.

The Suez Canal Company is a nominally private company with headquarters in Paris. The British government, however, is the biggest stockholder.

News of the seizure stunned both London and Paris. Prime Minister Anthony Eden immediately summoned French and American diplomats to discuss possible counter-measures.

All assets of the company in Egypt and abroad were frozen and all employees ordered to remain on their jobs under threat of fine or imprisonment by the nationalization decree.

Nasser said that all stockholders in the nationalized company will be compensated on the basis of the closing prices on the Cairo stock exchange Wednesday.

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## Jacksonville Man Steel Pact Signed

New York—(U.P.)—The United Steelworkers of America and the steel industry today signed a three-year no-strike agreement calling for a total increase of 45.6 cents an hour in wages and other benefits over the life of the contract.

The agreement provides for a package increase the first year of 20.3 cents an hour; 12.2 cents in the second year and 13.1 cents in the third year.

The new contract will add \$1,322,000,000 to the industry's total labor costs.

Approved by Union  
 The nation's 650,000 steel workers will receive a direct wage increase of 10.5 cents the first year, 9.1 cents the second year and another 9.1 cents in the third year, a total of 28.7 cents in wages.

Their average hourly wage under the old contract was \$2.47. The "basis for settlement" was approved unanimously by the union's Wage Policy Committee.

However, the 27-day steel strike will not end until details of contracts between the union and the individual companies have been completed.

McKeon Defense Asks Lt. Puller as Witness  
 Parris Island, S.C.—(U.P.)—Defense counsel Emile Zola Berman today requested the Marine Corps to produce famed Lt. Gen Lewis B. (Chesty) Puller, outspoken advocate of tough training methods, as a witness for Sgt. Matthew C. McKeon.

Berman requested that an order be issued for the production of the retired fighting veteran who won the Distinguished Service Cross and five Navy crosses for heroism in action in Korea, four World War II campaigns and expeditionary service in China, Nicaragua and Haiti.

## Frank DeSouza To Be Honored at Picnic

Frank DeSouza, former postmaster in Medford, will be honored as Democratic "King of the Day" at the Jackson County Democratic picnic at TouVelle State park on Table Rock rd. Sunday, July 29. Thomas J. Reeder, co-chairman of the event, has announced.

Robert D. Holmes, Democratic candidate for governor, will be principal speaker at the picnic which starts at 12 noon. The picnic, which will be potluck, will be served buffet style.

Others who plan to attend include Charles Porter, Democratic candidate for congress from the fourth district, and Robert A. Boyer, state Democratic chairman.

College Teachers Granted Pay Raises  
 Salem—(U.P.)—Teachers in state colleges and universities today were granted raises of from \$260 to \$472 a year by the State Emergency Board. Total raises will amount to \$494,000 a year.

Vote on the proposal was 5-2. State Sen. George Ulett and Rep. Henry Semon voting against it.