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Nicaragua Chief Executive Wounded In Slaying Attempt

Managua, Nicaragua — (UP)— President Anastasio Somoza was shot and wounded four times at close range Friday night by an assailant who fired six bullets at him during a ceremony at Leon.

The assailant was shot and killed on the spot by the president's bodyguards. He was not identified.

The Nicaraguan embassy in the United States said the man was Rigoberto Lopez Guerra, Private Nicaraguan sources in New York identified him as Rigoberto Lopez Perez, a political leftist.

In Washington, President Eisenhower ordered a medical team to fly from the Canal Zone in Panama to Nicaragua to attend Somoza.

Mr. Eisenhower also sent Maj. Gen. Leonard D. Heaton, who performed the abdominal surgery on the American president last June, to Managua to assist in the treatment of the 60-year-old Somoza.

Although physician at San Vicente hospital said Somoza's condition was not serious, U. S. Ambassador Thomas Whelan recommended that American specialists be called in.

Somoza fell under the fusillade of 45 caliber pistol slugs with wounds in the arm, another in the leg and a third in the chest.

(Reports reaching Panama said he also was shot in the stomach.)

An official communique from the president's office last night said he had been struck by four bullets but was in "satisfactory condition."

At President Eisenhower's direction, White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty and the president's physician, Maj. Gen. Howard McC. Snyder, talked by phone with Ambassador Whelan about Somoza's condition.

The assassination attempt occurred during a ceremony at the Casa Odera (workers house) that climaxed a day during which the National Liberal party convention in Leon nominated the Nicaraguan strongman for another term as president.

Somoza and his wife and son, Col. Anastasio Somoza Jr., were among the group of dignitaries at the ceremony.

The assailant edged into a crowd standing near the president and fired six shots.

As Somoza fell his bodyguards whipped around and shot down the would-be assassin.

Somoza has run Nicaragua since the U. S. Marines ended their occupation in 1932.

Nuclear Scientist Tells Views of Russia

Dr. Luis W. Alvarez, one of the top nuclear scientists in the United States, recently returned from a visit to Russia. In a series of five articles, starting in the Mail Tribune on Monday, Dr. Alvarez gives excerpts from a diary which he kept while on the trip.

In the first article Dr. Alvarez tells of his surprise at the lack of hostility toward Americans shown by the man on the street in Russia.

He also points out that the people are beginning to learn more of what goes on in the outside world but still are keeping faith that the Communist system is better than ours.

Boyer Names Two To Major Democratic Party Posts

Robert Boyer, Medford, state chairman of the Democratic party in Oregon, Saturday announced two appointments to important party posts. Boyer named Mrs. Silvia Nemer, officer in the Multnomah county central committee and popular in the Democratic party in the state, and Walter J. Pearson, Portland insurance executive, former state treasurer and candidate for the state senate, as co-chairmen for the Stevenson-Kefauver campaign in Oregon.



SIXTEEN PEARS—R. R. Reier displays a cluster of 16 D'Anjou pears brought to his packing plant Wednesday by Rupert (Jimmy) Henry. The pears were grown in Henry's Sunny Cliff orchard east of Phoenix. Reier claims this cluster of "healthy sized" pears is the largest he has ever seen from one branch.

Suez Not To Be Left In Dictator Control, British Official Says

London — (UP)—Colonial Secretary Alan Lennox-Boyd said last night that the Suez canal "must not be left in the unrestricted control of a dictator." He reminded Egypt that Britain "within certain limits" controlled life-giving waters of the Nile.

Boyd reminded the Egyptians that Britain controls the White Nile at its source and could divert some of its waters should Egyptian President Nasser carry the canal dispute to the level of "jungle law."

At the same time, Britain issued a call for a third canal conference in London to establish a canal users association Oct. 1.

On the side, Britain took steps to bolster its alliance with France which was shaken by French opposition to the association agreement. The French agreed Saturday to go along with the plan, but only reluctantly.

In Washington, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles returned from the 18-nation London conference which agreed on the Users Association and again appealed to Nasser to accept a "peaceful and fair solution" to the crisis.

Lennox-Boyd, also urging a peaceful settlement, reminded Egypt that the Nile's source is in British protectorate of Uganda and can be controlled by British engineers. Without the Nile, Egypt would go to ruin.

"The canal must not be left in the unrestricted control of a dictator," the Colonial Secretary said.

"On this there can be no compromise."

The big three were agreed that the issue must be settled, but the Anglo-French alliance which originally had proposed a stern approach was jolted by the water-down version of a Users Association approved by the 18-nation conference Friday.

British Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden decided to visit Paris next Wednesday and Thursday to firm up the alliance.

In Cairo, meanwhile, President Gamal A. Nasser flew to Saudi Arabia to attend an Arab "Big Three" meeting at which he probably will seek support for expected rejection of the west's latest Suez plan.

Bitter comments about the second London conference on Suez, printed by Egypt's press, left little doubt that he will reject the "Canal Users Association" proposed by the west.

Four Persons Drown On Fishing Excursion

Paso Robles, Calif. — (UP)— Four persons drowned last night when a fishing boat when an unusually large groundswell tilted the craft about a half mile off shore in Smuggler's Cove, near Morro Bay.

The Coast Guard said one body—that of Mrs. Ed Soehnel, 39, Rialto, Calif., was recovered. Those missing were Douglas Roach, 39, Corona Del Mar, Calif., his son, Douglas, 9, and a man identified only as "Mr. Walker."

The Coast Guard said there were about 27 persons aboard the craft, which was chartered out of Morro Bay. The Coast Guard said the boat was caught broadside and was tipped so the water washed across the decks.

Medford Firm Gets Road Work Contract

W. H. Conrad company of Medford has been awarded the contract for road development and construction projects at Crater Lake national park. It was reported Saturday.

The contract is for development of campground roads, water and sewer systems at Annie Spring and construction of roads at the headquarters residence area.

Dead Indian-Greenspring Forest Closure Lifted

The state department of forestry is lifting its closure of the Dead Indian-Greenspring area at midnight tonight. District Warden Curt Nesheim has announced.

The area of about 50,000 acres has been closed to entry except by permit through the summer months because of the fire hazard.

Nesheim reported that another closure on the south fork of Rogue river and near Prospect has not been lifted yet because it is "a little more hazardous."

President Slates Thorough Physical Check Next Month

Examination Results Will Be Made Public

Washington — (UP)— President Eisenhower plans to undergo a full-scale physical examination the middle of next month, the White House revealed yesterday.

The results will be made public.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty disclosed plans for the examination in giving reporters an informal rundown on the present state of the President's health, one year after his heart attack.

It was on Sept. 24, 1955, in Denver that Mr. Eisenhower suffered an attack of coronary thrombosis.

He also underwent emergency surgery here last June 9 to relieve an intestinal block.

On Full Schedule

Hagerty said the President now is back on a full schedule and is "doing a lot of work."

"He is feeling fine . . . he looks fine," he said.

Mr. Eisenhower has said on several occasions that he would undergo another complete physical examination before election day Nov. 6 to make sure of his physical fitness for another White House term.

Hagerty said the President's weight, which dropped sharply after his operation, has climbed back up to 172 pounds and his doctors have put him back on a carefully-controlled diet of 2,500 calories a day.

He said the President's doctors will examine him in Washington, and that the date has tentatively been fixed for the period of mid-October.

Presumably Mr. Eisenhower will enter Walter Reed Army hospital, as he has in the past.

Meanwhile the President called on all Republican campaign workers to launch an intensive get-out-the-vote drive and increase the record 1952 election turnout by at least 10 per cent.

He also asked all GOP county and town chairmen to report to him personally within three weeks the number of volunteers they have enlisted for the campaign.

He made the double-barreled request in identical telegrams to 3,421 Republican county and town chairmen.

In announcing the action, the Republican National Committee said: "The President's personal request is part of the greatest all-out drive in the Republican party's history to get out the vote."

Freighter Appears To Be Breaking Up

Seattle, Wash. — (UP)— The freighter Seagate appeared Saturday to be a lost cause. The ship was reported to have broken up near the beach off Taholah, the rough seas breaking over the Seagate's mast.

Neil Logue of the Allman-Hubbub Tub Boat Co. of Hoquiam, Wash., said he through the salvage master was about, in his words: "To wash his hands of the whole thing."

However, salvage master Jack Hoag of Long Beach, Calif., said he thought the crew might be able to salvage pieces of the freighter.

The Seagate ran aground on Sonora reef several weeks ago but broke loose during a storm and lodged on the beach near the Quinalt river.

The Hubbell and Foss Tug Boat companies are handling the salvage on a commission basis for Lloyds of London, an insurance firm.

New Eastern Oregon Highway Dedicated

Ontario, Ore. — (UP)— The new highway cutoff that slices more than six miles off the distance between Ontario, Ore., and Huntington, Ore., was opened Saturday when Gov. Elmo Smith presided at a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The new route, 19 miles long and costing more than \$3,000,000, involved the longest single grading contract in the history of the state highway commission. It took some two years to complete.

The city of Ontario staged a two-day celebration to mark the opening of the new route.

Gov. Smith described the highway as a monument to the vision of the state legislature.

Near-Riot Flares at Hermiston

Kefauver Hurls Sharp Attack on Administration Promises of 1952 Declared Forgotten

Yakima, Wash. — (UP)— Democratic vice presidential candidate Estes Kefauver unleashed an all-out, point-by-point attack on President Eisenhower's record in his sharpest attack yet on the chief executive.

The Tennessee Senator charged that Mr. Eisenhower and his administration have been "working against the little people"—the farmers, small businessmen and industrial workers.

Promises Said Forgotten

"The Eisenhower - Nixon Republican old guard administration has forgotten its promises of 1952," Kefauver said in a speech prepared for a Democratic rally here.

"They have forgotten the people to whom they made those promises."

However, Kefauver told a Walla Walla, Wash., news conference earlier that no one is questioning Mr. Eisenhower's honesty or that he is a "good man, a proper man."

But, Kefauver said, Mr. Eisenhower "is responsible for the activities of his administration."

And the administration's actions "have been detrimental to the welfare of the small businessman, working and farming people," he added.

Average People Let Down

Kefauver charged that Mr. Eisenhower had let down the "average people" on taxes, aid to farmers and small businessmen, public power, social security and schools.

The No. 2 Democratic candidate renewed his charge that the Eisenhower administration has worked primarily for the so-called "Big business interests."

"General Eisenhower promised 90 to 100 per cent of parity for the farmers when he was a candidate for election," Kefauver said.

"Immediately thereafter he forgot his promise and inaugurated the sliding scale."

He said the "Eisenhower-Benson" farm program has "liquidated 400,000 family size farms."

Midwest Farmers Agree

Kefauver agreed with Mr. Eisenhower's statement at Newton, Iowa, Friday that farmers might think the administration's farm program was "crazy" and added that he knew of many midwestern farmers who agreed with the president.

Among the administration actions listed by Kefauver as against the "little people" was support of legislation which gave the oil tidelands to the states. He charged that Mr. Eisenhower was "paying off a campaign debt," when he came out in support of state ownership of the tidelands.

Kefauver said that under the Eisenhower administration small business profits decreased 50 per cent while profits of large corporations went "way up."

Mental Patient Jumps To Death From Building

Los Angeles — (UP)— A woman who plunged to her death from the eighth-floor fire escape landing of the A. P. Giannini building in downtown Los Angeles today was identified as Mrs. Gladys S. Starr, 15, a mental patient from the Brentwood Veterans Administration hospital.

Officers said she had received pass privileges from the hospital grounds last week. No note was left by the woman, police said.

Weather

FORECAST: Fair through Monday. High Saturday and Sunday near 80. Low Sunday night 47.

TEMPERATURE: Highest yesterday 79. Lowest yesterday 49. None.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 6:00 a.m. Sunset 6:08 p.m. Moonrise 7:34 p.m. Last quarter Sept. 27.

PROMINENT STARS: Deneb, high overhead at moonrise. Capella, low in northeast, 10:00 p.m.

VISIBLE PLANETS: Saturn, in the SW — 8:48 p.m. Mars, in SE — 8:38 p.m. Venus, in the east — 4:24 a.m.

"Whoa, There—Slow Down This Mad, Breakneck Pace!"



Sen. Morse Accepts Challenge To Debate By Malheur Citizens

Ontario, Ore. — (UP)— Three Malheur county Republicans who issued a challenge this week that they would debate anyone regarding Sen. Wayne Morse's deserving to represent Oregon in the U. S. Senate, had their answer Saturday.

The trio — Vernon Reed of Ontario, a businessman, and attorneys Harold Henigson of Nyssa, and W. F. Schroeder of Vale — offered to debate in public a proposition which stated: "Resolved, that the record of Sen. Morse is such that he does not deserve to represent Oregon in the Senate of the United States."

The trio stated: "We will accept a challenge from absolutely anyone who will give us two weeks notice of their intention and furnish a hall in Malheur county for the purpose." They also offered to share expenses for the rental of a hall and advertising up to \$50.

"The Democratic senator heard of the challenge and sent the following message:

"I personally will come to Malheur county at an arranged time to debate according to your challenge — or any other issues — with any one of you, all three of you at once, Douglas McKay himself, or any combination of persons you may desire. I would prefer a question that would compare the records of McKay and myself."

SOC Enrollment Increase Reported

Ashland — First-day enrollment for fall term at Southern Oregon college showed a "significant" increase in the number of students enrolling, college officials reported Saturday.

On Friday 453 students enrolled, compared to a first-day registration last year of 250. The total this year included 283 men students (135 last year); 170 women students (115 last year); 337 new students (218 last year), and 116 previously-enrolled students (32 last year).

Last year's maximum enrollment totaled 816 students, which was reached several weeks after registration. College authorities said they expect this total to be considerably exceeded when registration is completed for fall term within a few weeks.

Sports Bulletins

Humboldt State college Lumberjacks with a passing attack that gained 257 yards rolled over Southern Oregon college 33 to 6 in a football game at the Medford High stadium last night. The Red Raiders of Southern Oregon scored off the opening kickoff but the California aggregation fought to a 13 to 6 halftime lead and was in front 20 to 6 after three quarters.

Portland, Ore. — (UP)—The Pittsburgh Steelers took advantage of a butterfingers bunch of Los Angeles Rams for the three first half touchdowns and made them stand up against Billy Wade's last minute passing for a 20-17 exhibition professional football victory last night.

Central Point — St. Mary's of Medford defeated the Crater High reserve football eleven 7 to 6 here last night.

Harvey Matusow Admits Being Liar for 27 Years

New York — (UP)— Turn-of-witness Harvey Matusow admitted Friday he had been a "vicious" liar for 27 years.

Matusow, 29, made the admission "with qualifications" during cross-examination in his perjury trial in federal court here.

He is accused of giving false testimony in the Smith Act trial of 13 second string Communists in 1952.

Drifting Smoke Caused By Fire at City Dump

Smoke seen drifting over Medford last night was caused by fires and trash being burned at the city dump, located about a mile south of Barnett rd. on Ellendale dr., according to the Medford fire department.

Firemen said the fire was routine and under control.

Students Arrested After High School Football Contest

Principal Calls Off Dance; Rules Violated

Hermiston, Ore. — (UP)— A near riot was caused Friday night by high school students here after a football game between Hermiston, and Richland, Wash. Police arrested five students from Richland.

A dance was held for students of both schools at the Hermiston school after the game, which Richland won from Hermiston, 33-6.

According to principal James B. Ellington, some of the students refused to observe a prohibition against smoking and frenzied Rock 'n Roll dancing, so he called off the dance after an hour.

By that time some of the group heard of the arrest of two Richland students, one on a charge of possessing beer, the other on a reckless driving charge.

Students Shouts Protests

A mob of about 100 came downtown and crowded in front of the jail, police Chief William Silvey said, and shouted protests of the arrests.

Chief Silvey said a state policeman's car was pounded and slightly damaged.

After about half an hour, Silvey said, the mob was broken up when police arrested three of the teen-agers, accusing them of creating a disturbance.

The five youths were retained in jail overnight.

1956 Miss America Married to Crooner

Denver — (UP)— Sharon Kay Ritchie, last year's Miss America, became the bride of popular crooner Don Cherry here last night in a brief, candlelight ceremony at the Central Christian church.

The double-ring ceremony lasted less than 10 minutes but the couple left a crowd of more than 300 which gathered outside the church to catch a glimpse of the couple standing for nearly an hour while formal pictures were taken in the sanctuary.

After a token appearance at the small reception following the wedding, Cherry and his pretty 19-year-old bride were en route by car to an undisclosed, mountain hideaway for their honeymoon.

The smiling Cherry told newsmen after the ceremony "I didn't think I was going to last through it for a minute. I was so nervous I was shaking all over."

Railroads, Unions Bog Down in Talks

Chicago — (UP)—Talks between the nations railroads and two unions have broken down with both sides admitting the deadlock.

The National Mediation Board was asked to step into the dispute involving the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Switchmen's Union of North America.

In other rail negotiations, representatives of 11 non-operating unions recessed their talks until early Monday.

No progress has been noted by the mediators who moved into a stalemate between the railroads and the Brotherhood of Firemen and Enginemen last week.

In Chicago a union leader for North Western employees said Friday that the group has voted overwhelmingly to strike sometime next week if settlements were not forthcoming in their dispute.

Football Scores

Oregon 35, Colorado 0
Oregon State 19, Missouri 13
Baylor 7, California 6
USC 44, Texas 20

Stanford 40, Washington State 26
College of Pacific 39, Colorado A&M 14
Washington 53, Idaho 21
Whitworth 21, Willamette 0

Southern Methodist 19, Notre Dame 13
Georgia Tech 14, Kentucky 6
Florida 26, Mississippi State 0