

### Six Justices Resign In Face of Decision For Fixing Tickets

Riverhead, N.Y.—Five Suffolk county justices of the peace accused of fixing traffic tickets for politicians quit Monday in face of an expected court ruling on their behavior.

It was the "greatest mass resignation of justices in the whole judicial history of this state," state investigation Commissioner J. Irwin Shapiro said.

The justices had been among 165 Suffolk county officials, politicians and police named as participants in a traffic ticket fixing conspiracy Feb. 29.

Shapiro said, "these resignations are merely a bow to the inevitable."

The five justices are Lester H. Davis, Brookhaven; Moses Drake, Islip; Clarence Duffield, Brookhaven; Rudolph Kammerer, Southampton; and Charles Pfeiffer, Babylon.

During the trial of the justices, it was testified that through intervention, traffic violators had charges against them reduced, did not have to appear in court, did not have serious violations entered on their licenses and received suspended sentences.

### Elderly Farmer Sticks With Truck For 25 Nights

Gregory, Mich.—An elderly Livingston county farmer spent 25 days and nights in the desolate, snow-covered woods of the upper peninsula because he didn't want to leave his truck.

Herman A. Simonds, 65, turned up here Monday after being missing since Nov. 20 when he went into the woods to hunt deer.

"There wasn't any reason to worry," Simonds said, "because I could have walked out any time I wanted. I just didn't want to leave my truck."

### Damage Suit Filed Against Sheriff

Sheriff Howard Gault and a former deputy sheriff, R. L. Janzen, Central Point, have been named defendants in a \$58,293.50 suit filed in circuit court by William E. Dailey, route 1, box 593, Talent.

In the complaint, Dailey states he was arrested and lodged in the county jail on Jan. 11, 1955, when Janzen was in charge of the jail under Gault's supervision.

The plaintiff charges Gault and Janzen with carelessness and negligence in failing to provide adequate light in the shower stall and in failing to provide proper flooring or footing.

### Bolivia Placed on Austerity Footing

La Paz, Bolivia.—President Hernan Siles Zuazo placed Bolivia on a strict austerity footing today in an effort to curb spiraling inflation and to stabilize the national currency.

Included among the financial measures enacted were the release of foreign exchange and foreign trade from existing restrictions; establishment of a single exchange rate for each foreign currency; an increase of wages to levels that will be frozen for one year, and establishment of a new system of royalties on metal exports from government-operated and private mines.

The Monterey follows its sister ship, the Mariposa, into service on the South Pacific run after being converted in Portland.

### Army To Reduce Size of Divisions In Next Two Years

Washington.—The Army in the coming two years will cut the size of most of its divisions by one-fourth as part of an atomic age streamlining program, Army sources disclosed today.

The overhaul will start with Army divisions stationed in this country so as not to reduce the combat readiness of the Army too greatly during the reshuffle.

The streamlining is designed to give Army divisions a mobility and flexibility necessary for combat on an atomic battlefield.

### Florida Newsprint Mill Plans Abandoned

New York.—The Hudson Pulp and Paper corporation announced today it is temporarily abandoning plans for construction of a Florida newsprint mill until technological problems can be worked out.

The announcement was made to southern newspaper publishers in a letter by William Mager, president of the company.

Nearly half of all United States residents and some 60 per cent of Canada's population live within 500 miles of Buffalo, New York, the National Geographic Society says.

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### Four Accidents Are Reported to Police

Four minor accidents were reported in Medford Monday, according to city police. No injuries were reported in any of the collisions.

Cars operated by John Henry Heumers, Jacksonville, and George Harvey Walter, Ashland, were involved in a collision at Fourth st. and the railroad tracks, officers reported.

### Foot of Snow

Simonds drove into the woods of Alger county near Lake Superior Nov. 20 and spent the night bedded down in his light truck.

"When I tried to drive out, I got bogged down," he said. "So I started digging because I knew I was only about three miles from the highway but I never thought it would take so long to get there."

### 4-H Club News

The Saucy Cannons of Phoenix 4-H club recently met at the home of their leader Mrs. Tom Carter.

It was decided to keep the present name for the club and to continue meeting on the first Saturday of the month.

### District Court Case Dismissed Yesterday

A case against Merle A. Preston, 59, Eagle Point, charged with petty larceny, was dismissed in district court yesterday after a motion by District Attorney Walter D. Nunley.

### Porter To Support Harris Ellsworth

Washington.—Rep. Harris Ellsworth of Oregon, defeated in his bid for reelection but reported to be in line for a federal appointment received the backing yesterday of the man who won his seat in Congress.

### As Auto Goes Into Ditch

Oregon City.—A 34-year-old Oregon City man was killed last night when he lost control of his car and it crashed into a roadside ditch, throwing him from the vehicle and pinning him under water in the ditch.

### Small Units To Fight

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