

Rogue River Dragged for Body of Motorist

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Remarks Bring Angry Reaction From Congress

Apology for Statement Refused

Washington —(U.P.)— Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson, after a conference with President Eisenhower, today stuck to his charge that some young men used the National Guard as a "draft dodging business" during the Korean war.

Wilson, standing in the rain outside the President's office building, told reporters firmly that he did not discuss with Mr. Eisenhower his controversial remarks before the House Armed Services Committee Monday. Wilson had told the committee that the guard was a "sort of scandal" during the Korean war, "a draft dodging business."

"Perhaps it is a little tough language but that is exactly what it amounted to," Wilson said today.

Wilson's remarks Monday brought angry reaction from some members of Congress and the rejoinder from Maj. Gen. Elard A. Walsh, National Guard Association president, that Wilson's charge was "a lie."

But Wilson refused today to apologize for his remarks.

"I know of no reason why I should," he told reporters.

Wilson at first declined to discuss his controversial remarks. When reporters asked what he discussed with the President.

Looking up at the White House, Wilson said, "This is not my dung hill—anything that is to be announced over here, somebody else ought to announce."

Wilson was asked if he had fixed a date for his departure from the Cabinet.

He said no, but he expected to leave "sooner or later."

Then the chunky, gray haired secretary began to talk about his feelings toward the National Guard.

"If anyone thinks I am against the National Guard, of course they are wrong," he said. "I'm trying to get the National Guard efficient and trained."

"I do think they ought to step up to be efficient and ready and modernize to take care of the responsibilities as they exist today."

"I am told that more than 80 per cent of the National Guard has had no prior military training today. That means they are not a very well trained outfit that can be depended upon."

"Our whole purpose is to assure that a reasonable percentage of the Guard is well trained. We are spending a good many hundreds of millions of dollars on the National Guard. And if they cannot be depended on, the expense is not justified. The people who are trying to perpetuate the inefficiency are doing the guard damage."

Wilson was told that the chief objections voiced in Congress concerned his use of the words "draft dodging" in connection with guard enlistments.

"To keep up numbers rather than quality, they have enlisted too many boys between 17 and 18½ years old," Wilson said.



PULLED FROM RIVER—This 1952 Nash station wagon was pulled from Rogue river near Miller's Gulch bridge late this morning. Dragging operations were started shortly before noon by state police for a man police believe was driving the vehicle. They said Charles J. Howe, about 60, of Grants Pass, was believed to be the only person in the car, which went into the river about 10:25 p.m. yesterday. During operations to remove the vehicle last night a Rogue River man, Ray Holmes, who stopped at the scene as a spectator, fell in the river and was taken by Medford Ambulance service to Sacred Heart hospital in Medford with head and other injuries, police said.

Vehicle Plunges Into Stream Near Miller's Gulch

Grants Pass Man Believed Driver

Dragging operations started shortly before noon today for the occupant or occupants of a 1952 Nash station wagon which went into Rogue river near Miller's Gulch bridge last night.

State police said they believe Charles J. Howe, about 60, manager of the Grants Pass office of the W. A. Darling Real Estate company, was the only occupant in the car. They added, however, that they are still checking to determine if he was alone.

Vehicle Removed

The vehicle was removed from the river late this morning by state police, sheriff's deputies and a wrecker crew from Gold Hill. It was registered to Cecilia Cochran, 2700 Almar rd., Grants Pass, police said.

Police said apparently Mrs. Howe registered the car in her name before she married Howe. Police said they learned that Mrs. Howe boarded a bus for California late last week, and they were checking to determine the whereabouts of two stepsons.

Officials said as near as they could determine Howe left Grants Pass about 7 p.m. yesterday and was en route to Medford to see Darling before proceeding to Eureka, Calif.

No one was in the car when it was removed, police said.

Two state police boats were participating in dragging operations, officials said.

Police said Theodore Hugh Brown, 23, and Sharon Jeffries, 18, both of Glendale, witnessed the accident. They told police they were going north on Highway 99 when they noticed a southbound vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed and weaving along the highway.

Police said the witnesses told them the approaching vehicle swerved in front of them and went over the bank into the river. Police received the call of the accident about 10:28 p.m. yesterday.

One police officer from Grants Pass and four from Medford were dispatched to the scene, and about midnight a line had been hooked to the submerged vehicle.

When the wrecker started pulling the car out, the vehicle overturned in the river, and the hook came loose, police said. When they attempted to attach the line to the car again, police said they asked a spectator to remain at a safe distance from the 20-foot bank, which officers described as icy.

Police said the spectator, Ray Holmes of Rogue River, went too close to the bank, and apparently slipped. He fell down the 20-foot bank into the river, police said.

He was removed from the river by a boat crew, which was near the submerged vehicle, and taken to a nearby house where his clothes were changed, police said. He was then taken to Sacred Heart hospital by Medford Ambulance service.

Police said Holmes suffered a cut on his head and other injuries, which rendered him unconscious. Hospital attendants reported Holmes' condition as "only fair" this morning.

The vehicle was the third in recent months to go into the river between Gold Hill and Savage Rapids dam. One car went into the river near Birdseye creek, and another near Savage Rapids dam. During the past few years, several cars have gone out of control and into the river, police said.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York —(U.P.)—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 476.92, up 2.33; 20 railroads 148.45, up 0.87; 15 utilities 70.75, up 0.18, and 65 stocks 169.28, up 0.78. Sales today were about 1,800,000 shares compared with 1,700,000 shares Monday.

record of its polio inoculations will be left at every home on the "block workers' route," Mrs. Miles said.

Because public apathy has slowed the county campaign to about 50 per cent of last year's figure, county residents have been asked to dig deeper than ever into their pocketbooks during Thursday's last minute fund appeal. The March of Dimes drive officially closes Thursday night.

Mrs. Gene Neff, Medford chairman, said "This is a personal thing with women. Mothers know that when everyone is vaccinated against polio, their own families and families everywhere will be protected. Now that the Salk vaccine is available in sufficient amounts to vaccinate everyone, it is our goal to see that this is accomplished."

Many Workers Idle As Cold Continues

By UNITED PRESS

Oregonians looked hopefully at partially overcast skies today in hopes the bitter cold was coming to an end but frigid temperatures which have idled hundreds of workers are not over yet, the weather bureau said.

Lows down to 10 below in eastern Oregon and in the 20s in western Oregon were forecast again tonight. A few snow flurries also were forecast as a minor disturbance moved southward.

It got down to 21 below zero at Baker this morning east of the Cascades and to 2 above at Eugene. Burns and Redmond had 15 below, Pendleton and Bend 16 below, The Dalles 13 below, Klamath Falls 2 above, Roseburg 9 above, Portland 12 above, Salem 11 above, Medford 13 above, Newport 20 above, North Bend 26 above, Astoria 19 above and Brookings 34 above.

Workers Laid Off

Nearly 500 aluminum workers in Troutdale and Vancouver, Wash., were off the job because of cutbacks made necessary by decreased power supplies. Another 550 aluminum workers were idle in Spokane.

Some 800 men at Albany were affected where plywood mills said stacked green veneer stocks were frozen and impossible to handle. Two lumber products firms at The Dalles were closed yesterday. One blamed market as well as weather conditions for the closure. About 400 construction workers at The Dalles dam were idled. A lumber company plant at Hood River also was idled.

The West Coast Lumbermen's association said frozen log ponds has hampered work in a few cases. Much of the lumber industry idleness was called seasonal, as was that in building trades.

Ice Closes River

A thin coat of ice covered the Willamette river in Portland, almost from bank to bank, this morning.

Saudi Arabian King Arrives in New York

New York —(U.P.)—The world's wealthiest king arrived today for a two-week visit to the world's richest democracy.

A precedent-shattering royal welcome awaited Saudi Arabia's King Saud in Washington as he began a state visit in which much was at stake for both countries.

The New York City government pretended not to notice the royal visitor, but the federal government gave the event its most deluxe treatment.

Jackson County Mothers Will March on Polio In Last-Ditch Effort Thursday

Some 5,000 Jackson county women who have enlisted in the Mothers' March on Polio will be out between 7 and 8 o'clock Thursday night in a last-ditch effort to collect contributions to the March of Dimes.

The mothers will march from house to house in every community in the county, according to Mrs. Lew Miles, county Mothers' March chairman.

House Vote Clears Way for Passage Of Ike's Doctrine

Washington —(U.P.)— President Eisenhower's Middle East resolution won its first test in the House today. The House voted to limit debate on the measure and all but forbid amendment.

On a roll call vote of 262 to 146, the chamber approved ground rules under which debate was to be concluded tonight. Amendments were barred except for a one-shot try that could come just before passage.

Certain Passage Seen

The action cleared the way for almost certain passage of the resolution Wednesday, substantially in the form requested by the President. It would give him authority to use funds and, if necessary, troops to combat any Communist aggression in the Middle East.

Two Senate committees, meanwhile, voted 30 to 0 for a sweeping review of U.S. Middle East policy since 1946. The Senate Foreign Relations and Armed Services committees acted after the State department said that it would "welcome" such an investigation.

Republican congressional leaders said President Eisenhower agreed to such a review.

Meanwhile, Sen. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) a member of the Foreign Relations committee, introduced in the Senate a complete substitute for the Eisenhower proposal. It states that "the United States is prepared to use armed forces to assist any nation or group of nations requesting assistance against armed aggression from any country controlled by international Communism, provided that such employment shall be consonant with the treaty obligations of the United States and with the charter of the United Nations."

Pletsch Re-elected Planners President

John Pletsch, Medford, was re-elected president of the county planning commission at a meeting last night in the courthouse annex.

Lloyd Selby, Ashland, was elected vice president, and Mrs. Alva M. Perkins, Medford, was re-elected secretary.

Proposed subdivision regulations for Jackson county, prepared by Hahn, Wise, and Associates, Redwood City, Calif., planning consultants, were discussed at the meeting. Other proposed regulations will be considered at the next meeting.

After subdivision regulations have been approved by the commission, they will be presented at a public hearing by the commission.

Hobart Pritchard, representative of Hahn, Wise, and Associates, explained some of the proposed regulations for the commission.

Donald Whalin was appointed chairman of the budget committee by Pletsch and John Niedermeyer and David R. Lowry as committee members.



DAMAGES HOME—A pickup truck operated by Central Point's Mayor Don Faber, 45, and a state forestry department station wagon operated by Jack Nelson Fortin, 67, Eagle Point, were involved in an accident in Central Point about 1:20 p.m. yesterday. The Faber vehicle, headed south, continued 121 feet from the point of impact, police said, and ran into the front porch of the L. L. Kottke residence, 261 North Fourth st. Fortin was thrown from the station wagon, which was going east on Maple st., police said. He was taken to Rogue Valley hospital in Medford by Medford Ambulance service attendants who said he had head, back and chest injuries. Faber suffered leg injuries and bruises and was treated at a clinic in Central Point, according to police.

Henry Ford Urges Red Chinese Trade

San Francisco —(U.P.)— Henry Ford II told automobile dealers Monday that U.S. trade with Red China might help the Chinese rid themselves of the "yoke of Communism."

Ford, 39, president of the Ford Motor Co., urged the United States to "come of age fast" and act with "uncommon sanity, wisdom and unity" to meet crises abroad.

He told the National Automobile Dealers Association Americans should be more realistic and decide "whether our trade-and-aid policies toward such satellite areas as Poland, Hungary, East Germany and even Red China are really in our best interests."

"Maybe they're anxious to get rid of the yoke of Communism as the Hungarians have demonstrated they were," Ford said.

In suggesting trade-and-aid to Red China, Ford said the Chinese now were completely linked with Soviet Union.

"Shouldn't we give them the chance—or at least some alternative to their present ties with the Kremlin?" he asked.

Harlow H. Curtice, president of General Motors Corp., was to address the 3,000 dealers today.

In addition to Ford, delegates also heard George Romney, pres-

ident of American Motors Corp., protest Monday against "unrestricted concentration of power" in labor unions.

Another speaker, NADA President Carl E. Eribley, urged elimination of the excise tax on new autos and trucks. He said the 10 per cent auto tax and 7 per cent truck tax are "discriminatory" and a "definite threat to automotive employment and jobs in the related automobile and transportation industries."

Eugene Man Named Realty Commissioner

Salem —(U.P.)— Clarence F. Hyde, prominent Eugene realtor and one of Oregon's leading real estate appraisers, was appointed Oregon state real estate commissioner today by Gov. Robert D. Holmes.

Hyde, 68, succeeds Ragnar Johnson, Salem Republican, whose resignation Gov. Holmes had requested. Johnson's four-year term would have expired March 31, 1958.

Johnson told the United Press that he has great respect for Hyde as a real estate man, and "I'm not going to make it difficult" to make the transition.

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"Glad To Help You Out Of A Hole, Neighbor"

California Man Fined In District Court

Francis Theodore Grames, 40, Greenville, Calif., was fined \$255 and his driver's license was suspended for 90 days today after he pleaded guilty in district court to a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Grames also received a suspended 30-day jail sentence. He was arrested by state police Monday.

Pendleton —(U.P.)— Leland Swanson, 34-year-old Walla Walla businessman, has been named city manager here.

100 Receive Shots At Elks Temple

One hundred Jackson county residents under the age of 20 received Salk anti-polio vaccine between 7 and 9 p.m. Monday at the Elks temple, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, public health physician.

An evening vaccine station was established at the temple for benefit of those who could not receive shots during the day while they were being administered at county schools.

Total of those who have received the vaccine since the county-wide campaign started Jan. 14 is now 7,700, according to Dr. Merkel.

Dr. Merkel said the Jackson county health department has received considerable correspondence from other counties concerning the vaccine program here. Lane and Washington county medical societies were among those seeking information.

Roseburg Man Given Manslaughter Term

Roseburg —(U.P.)—Forrest L. Winn, 67, who was convicted of manslaughter last week in connection with the death last year of E. D. (Doc) Wood, 72-year-old cardroom employee, was sentenced to not more than five years in prison today.

Circuit Judge Charles S. Woodrich also levied a fine of \$1. Wood died after an altercation in a local cardroom.