



## Jewish Lord Mayor of Dublin To Tour United States for Six Weeks

Editor's note: This is the first of two articles on Dublin's Jewish lord mayor, Robert Briscoe, who comes to the United States today for a six-week visit.

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 New York—(U.P.)—It takes something near a miracle to get an Irishman to postpone a St. Patrick's parade and it is a wondrous thing to see B'nai B'rith working hand in glove with the ancient order of Hibernians.

But then the leprechauns must have had a hand in it anyway when the Irish city of Dublin, 95 per cent Roman Catholic, picked Jewish Robert Briscoe as their lord mayor.

Briscoe comes to the United States today for a six-week visit and he is more popular than "Abie's Irish Rose." Some 2,100 invitations were pressed on him but he had to settle for a 40-city tour coast-to-coast, shuttling from temples Israel to the Gaelic League.

A man with fine humor, Briscoe is delightful with his double role but he has made it plain that he is giving Ireland "absolute priority."

"I will devote my first day at every point to anything of an Irish nature organized by major Irish societies. The second day will be given over to the United Jewish Appeal and other Jewish functions."

The first big affair will be the march of New York's Irish up Fifth ave. next Saturday. Briscoe will sit in the reviewing stand with Gov. Averell Harriman and Mayor Robert Wagner.

St. Patrick's Day itself comes on Sunday this year and Boston's Irish had planned to have their parade on Saturday, too. But when they heard that Dublin's lord mayor could make it on Monday, they cheerfully postponed it to that day.

Briscoe is booked for dozens of speeches and he has indicated his subject matter will range from brotherhood between men to tourists for Ireland, from the appeal for help for Israel to the superlative qualities of Irish whiskey.

He is an orthodox Jew who follows the dietary laws against eating pork and shellfish. Otherwise he does not require specially prepared food and that word has gone out of the banquet arrangers.

**Professional Help**  
 The chaos over his schedule became such that Briscoe had to turn his tour over to a professional agency which handled such appearances as those of the late Vice President Alben Barkley and Gen. Mark Clark.

The agency reported that Irish and Jewish groups had cooperated wonderfully in sharing the lord mayor. One Detroit official

wrote that it was the first time in memory that anyone had been able to get all the Irish in that city to gather amicably.

Starting from the East Coast his tour will also take him to Newark, Washington, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Milwaukee, Miami and Toronto, Canada.

Briscoe will be accompanied by his wife, who is addressed as the lady mayoress. His son, William, a KLM pilot, was switched from his regular Far East run to fly his parents across the Atlantic.

Tomorrow: Dublin—how did Jewish Robert Briscoe become lord mayor of Dublin?

## House Vote Rejects Resolution To Probe Practice on Pardons

Salem—(U.P.)—The House yesterday voted, down 33-26 a resolution for an investigation of pardon practices by Gov. Robert D. Holmes and recent Republican governors.

The consensus of the House was that it had enough taxation and other problems to keep members busy without a "politically inspired" investigation of executive pardon procedures.

**Howard Called to Order**  
 The vote came after Democratic Rep. Norman Howard, Portland, had been called to order by House Speaker Pat Dooley, Portland and a Republican move to call Rep. Thomas McClellan, Neotsu Democrat, to order, had failed.

A committee of eight members, four Republicans and four Democrats, would have conducted the investigation and reported back to the Legislature within 30 days with recommendations for regulations of reprieves, commutations and pardons.

The original investigation was called by Rep. Wayne Giesy, Monroe, and other Republicans after Gov. Holmes commuted the sentence of Otto Cahill, a Lincoln county water district official who was sentenced to one year in prison for converting \$750 in water district funds in to his own use.

**Should Hang Heads**  
 Howard was called to order after he charged that "the men who introduced this legislation should hand their heads in shame." He said the investigation was originally "a petty political move."

Rep. Giesy said he felt the Cahill case should be investigated because Harry Hoy, the governor's father-in-law was Cahill's attorney and because "Cahill's health was not impaired enough to warrant commutation of sentence."

He said that while the investigation appeared to be political at first, bi-partisan support developed when it was broadened by Democrats to include other governors.

Rep. Giesy said there were certain "political implications" behind the original investigation.

**END OF AN ERA**—Famed explorer Admiral Richard E. Byrd died at his home in Boston after a heart attack. He was 68. He is shown here in March, 1956, after his unannounced arrival in Miami, Fla. from the Antarctic.

## New Center Divider Due Oregon Highways

Salem—(U.P.)—Oregon's multi-lane highways now under construction will have a new type of center barrier when they are completed. Highway Engineer W. C. Williams said today.

The new barrier consisting of curved steel rails mounted on each side of supporting posts will be used instead of the usual eight-inch poured concrete dividers.

Williams said the new dividers will aid prevention of automobiles jumping the center divider when cars go out of control.

## Infant Dies in Fire At Home in Union

Union, Ore.—(U.P.)—A 14-month-old girl burned to death here Tuesday night when fire broke out in a bedroom of her grandparents' home.

The victim was Gail Lynne Sandowsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sandowsky. The mother was staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Baxter, while her husband was with the Air Force in California.



**POPE'S ANNIVERSARY**—Pope Pius XII imparts benediction upon faithful as he is borne through St. Peter's basilica for a solemn high Mass celebrating the 18th anniversary of his coronation. An estimated 20,000 persons jammed the world's largest church in Vatican City for the colorful ceremony.

## Bonneville Announces Sale of 70 Vehicles

Eugene—Bonneville Power administration has announced sale of 70 used motor vehicles including carryalls, sedan deliveries, pickups and sedans, with sealed bids to be opened at 9:30 a.m., March 28.

Vehicles are located at 2412 North Interstate ave., corner of Russell st., Portland, and may be inspected between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., March 20 through March 27, excepting Sunday, March 24, according to L. A. Moore, district manager.

Vehicles are largely 1950 to 1953 models with 14 Jeep carryalls and pickups, five Ford and Chevrolet one-half to three-quarter ton pickups, 17 Ford and Chevrolet carryalls and sedan deliveries, 30 sedans, two station wagons and two one-ton panel trucks.

All bids must be accompanied by a 25 per cent deposit of the total amount bid and payment must be completed and property removed from premises within 10 days after notice of award, Moore said. A complete list of the vehicles is available at the Bonneville. Power administration, Eugene District office, 170 East 11th st., Eugene.

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower said yesterday that Teamsters President Dave Beck was wrong in charging that the administration "prejudiced" the union's case before the Senate Rackets committee.

**CONCRETE PROPOSAL**  
 Los Angeles—(U.P.)—Councilman Ransom M. Callicott, complaining that a "keep off the grass" edict prevented persons from enjoying a downtown park, proposed to the city council that the grass lawns be replaced by concrete painted green.



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