Motions Filed to Dismiss Indictments

Portland — (U.P.) — Motions were filed Friday in circuit court here to set aside a group of indictments against Clyde C. Crosby, Teamster organizer for Oregon, and Frank Malloy, Portland business agent.

The motions attacked the indictments against them by the Multnomah county grand jury on the grounds that they were not returned according to law and that the grand jury had received no legal evidence to support the charges.

The indictments against Crosby charge him with conspiracy to commit a felony, false swearing, accepting a bribe, conspiracy to commit extortion and extortion.

Malloy's indictments charge him with conspiracy to commit the felony of extortion and extortion.

Presiding Court Judge Charles W. Redding directed that arguments on the motions be set for April 16.

AGREED TO BE QUEEN

Aviles, Spain — (U.P.) —Organizers of the annual Fiesta Del Bollo Festival of the Small Roll announced Saturday that Beatrice Lodge, daughter of U. S. ambassador to Spain John Davis Lodge, had agreed to be queen of this year's festival scheduled for April 20-22.

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Oregonians Favor Channeling Aid to Neutralists Through UN

Corvallis—U.S. economic aid channeled through the United Nations to "neutralist" countries has been advocated by Oregonians balloting in the 1957 "Great Decisions" discussions as the most positive means of wooing uncommitted nations into the democratic camp.

Middle-of-the road dealings with neutralists were favored by most persons voting in more than 300 Oregon Great Decisions groups according to a ballot count made last week by Oregon State college extension service.

Opinion ballots came from 22 Oregon counties on the issue, "Are 'Neutralists' Against U.S.?" It was one of eight foreign policy issues up for discussion during the 1957 Great Decisions series.

'Neutralist' Suspicion

To meet any "neutralist" suspicion of the U.S., Oregon voters rated foreign policy alternatives in the following order:

Forty-four per cent believed we should make it clear to the uncommitted nations that we do not want to dominate them, politically or economically.

Second-place alternative that received 26 per cent of the vote favored offering neutralists economic and technical assistance on the basis of their needs, regardless of their foreign policy.

Other votes were scattered over six remaining alternatives with little or no support of such extreme policies such as "do nothing" attitude or offer of military assistance regardless of their foreign policy.

Economic Front

On the question of U.S. interests with neutralists of Asia, the Middle East and Africa, Oregon ballots showed 48 per cent in favor of keeping our military alliances in the area but trying to do more on the economic front. The alternative also recommended that the U.S. help the underdeveloped nations of the world build strong economies of their own as a defense against Russian and Red Chinese expansion.

Next most popular alternative on the Asian-African question received 33 per cent of the vote calling for less attention to the military front and closer ties with the "neutralists" in the United Nations. Neutralists now control one-third of the votes in the UN.

Among other alternatives for dealing with this trouble spot, the least popular called for abandonment of our military pacts in the area such as our alliance in the Southeast Asia Treaty organization.

Alternatives for Threat

U.S. alternatives for meeting any Russian threat in "neutralist" areas were favored in the following order:

Sixty-seven per cent thought the U.S. should work more through the United Nations and channel U.S. aid through the UN as much as possible, cooperate with "neutralists" in the UN, and offer moral leadership in the UN for peace.

An alternative to support Yugoslavia's brand of "neutralism" was next with 18 per cent of the vote. This would offer help to any country that shows it does not want to be dominated by Russia—even if that country has a communist government.

Eight per cent thought the U.S. should offer to cooperate with Russia in aid to underdeveloped neutralist nations. Only a small percentage of voters favored cutting off aid or trade with neutralists that accept aid from Russia or trade with Russia or Red China.

Spring Brings Several New Changes in Star Pictures

By FAY BENTLEY

With the coming of spring we observe Mother Earth discarding her drab winter costume for verdant fields and bright hued flowers. In like manner the arrival of a new season finds many changes in the positions of star pictures in the heavens.

The brilliant constellations that for weeks have fascinated sky-minded persons are now well advanced in their journey down the "hills of heaven" towards the western skyline.

Taurus The Bull

By 8 p.m. during the first part of April, Taurus the Bull may be seen due west and about one third of the way up from the horizon. The Pleiades, a tiny dipper-shaped star cluster, form an easy identification point and mark the shoulder of Taurus. Another star cluster, the V-shaped Hyades, lying to the left of, and slightly above the Pleiades, is considered to be the Bull's face. The brightly twinkling, reddish, first magnitude star, Alderbaran, forms the animal's right eye.

Orion the Mighty Hunter is less than half way up in the south-western sky. The short slanting line of three stars, equally spaced and of equal brightness form The Hunter's belt and provide a simple recognition mark for this most brilliant of all the constellations in the heavens. Beneath Orion's feet is The Rabbit or Lepus, the Hare.

Also in the southwest and to the right of Orion are his two dogs, who nightly pursue Lepus the Hare across the sky. Canis Minor, made up of two stars, one bright and one dim, is a little higher in the sky than his master.

Canis Major Constellation

Canis Major, The Big Dog, has for the head the most brilliant star in all the heavenly host. This constellation lies to the left of Orion and directly beneath Canis Minor.

Gemini the Twins is standing almost upright above Orion and is high in the southwest. These mythical boys, resembling stick figures, have for their heads two bright stars, Castor and Pollux, which appear to be about an arm's length apart.

These constellations which have shone brilliantly during the months of winter are gradually giving way to new arrivals that rise in the east during the weeks of spring.

Leo the Lion, first visible in February, now shines almost overhead in the southeastern sky by 8 p.m. A line of six stars in the form of a hand sickle or "question mark backwards" forms the easily recognized head of this fierce beast. To the left of The Sickle a right triangle of three stars represents the hind quarters of the animal.

Regulus, a first magnitude star at the bottom of The Sickle, is considered to be the Lion's heart and Denebola at the extreme left in the triangle is the tail.

Orion the Mighty Hunter is the most brilliant constellation in the entire sky, but Leo the Lion is the brightest star picture in the zodiac.

Legend tells us that this was the terrible Nemean Lion which Hercules was told to kill as the first of his Twelve Labors. Concealing himself by the water hole he planned to destroy the beast as he was drinking.

But when Hercules thrust his sword at the lion, the beast jumped aside and escaped with minor injuries. Dropping his sword, Hercules grabbed the fierce animal by the throat and choked him to death with his bare hands.

Juno then placed the lion in the sky and there he may be seen, high in the southeastern heavens during the early weeks of spring.

U.S. Said Legal Custodian of Tape

Portland—(U.P.) — The federal government is the legal custodian of five reels of electronic recordings the FBI seized from Attorney Gen. Robert Y. Thornton, U.S. Judge William East ruled here Friday.

The ruling, made over the strenous protest of the attorney general's office, defeats Thornton's attempts to get the tapes back.

The tapes are the basis of indictments against James B. Elkins, 56, Portland vice-czar and his employee, Raymond F. Clark, 34. Elkins and Clark are slated to go to trial on charges of violating the federal wire tap law April 16.

The tapes were initially seized in a county police raid on Clark's home but a district judge ruled the raid illegal. The evidence was ordered suppressed and tapes were given to Thornton. The FBI seized the tapes last September.

U. S. Attorney C. E. Luckey told Judge East that the FBI seized the taps because of the danger that they might be returned to "the people from whom they were seized."

Assistant Attorney General Arthur Kaplan told the judge that the tapes were needed by the Multnomah county grand jury now investigating and corruption in Portland.

Earlier, attorney for Elkins and Clark won from Judge East permission to listen to the recordings in advance of their trial. The playing of the records will be supervised by Judge East.

LAWMAKERS THREATEN LOBBYISTS

Albany, N. Y. —(U.P.)—Lobbying activities on the floor of the state assembly were notably missing Friday because Assembly Speaker Oswald D. Heck threatened to lob the lobbyists into jail. Faced with a continually increasing number of lobbyists parading around the floor Heck banged his gavel and ordered, "If there is a single lobbyist on the floor of this House, I want him brought before the bar of the assembly and we'll see that he gets a good fat jail sentence."

Medford Elks Elect Knox Exalted Ruler

Galen R. (Sully) Knox, 2871 Georgia st., Medford, has been elected Exalted Ruler of the Medford lodge of the Elks.

Knox has served five years in various capacities for the lodge and also has been a delegate to several state conventions of the Oregon State Elks association. This year he will be delegate to the Grand Lodge of Elks convention to be held in July in San Francisco.

Elected Secretary

Ernest L. Scott, 45 Glen Oak court, Medford, was reelected secretary and club manager of the Elks. Scott has served in that capacity for 23 years. Because of a heart attack he resigned for a year but recently assumed his duties again.

He served 13½ years as secretary of the Oregon State Elks association and is Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for southern Oregon. Scott also is Past Exalted Ruler of the Medford lodge.

Other officers recently elected were Donald D. Davis, Leading Knight; Budd W. Gail, Loyal Knight; Joe Hosick, Lecturing Knight; Allen Perry, Treasurer; George Howard, Tiler; V. W. Kengla, Trustee; and Dick Woodcock, Alternate Delegate.

Appointed Officers

Appointed officers will be William E. Ruck, Esquire; Murrey Dumas, Chaplain; Richard G. Phair, Inner Guard; Rampton Barlow, Organist; and Yvonne C. Reynolds, Lady Chairman.

Installation of officers will be on Thursday night, April 4, following the Elks' annual "crab feed." Installing officers are all members of the Grand Lodge and Past Exalted Rulers of the Medford lodge.

Installation Set

They are V. Aubrey Norris, Grand Exalted Ruler; Frank H. Van Pelt, Grand Esteemed Leading Knight; Murray S. Gardiner, Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight; Frank Hussong, Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight; Stanley E. Philips, Grand Esquire; Morris V. Leonard, Grand Assistant Esquire; C. C. Leonard, Grand Chaplain; Carl W. Norris, Grand Secretary; Joseph F. Fliegel, Grand Treasurer; E. W. Winkle, Grand Inner Guard; C. Aubrey Sander, Grand Tiler; C. H. Paske, Grand Trustee; and Jack Bierma, Grand Organist.

GALEN R. KNOX
Elks Exalted Ruler

ERNEST L. SCOTT
Elks Lodge Secretary

CRUISE TOO WILD

San Pedro, Calif. — (U.P.) — Police arrested Roland B. Vasconcellos, 48, for drunk driving Friday. They charged him with making waves in Poco Loco (translation—a little crazy) while intoxicated. Poco Loco is a 20-foot speedboat. He was careening through San Pedro Harbor.

Soviets Announce Special Ruble Rate

Moscow — (U.P.) — The Soviet government Saturday announced the introduction of a special tourist ruble rate increasing the value of the dollar and other foreign currencies by 150 per cent.

The official ruble exchange rate remains at four to a dollar but the foreign trade bank agreed to exchange money for non-commercial purposes with an addition of six "bonus" rubles.

This meant that visiting tourists and foreign residents here can now exchange currency for personal use at a rate of 10 rubles per dollar.

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A shift in the course of the Atlantic Ocean's warm Gulf Stream once caused such a drop in water temperature that tilefish perished in a 4,000-square-mile area of sea, says the National Geographic Society.

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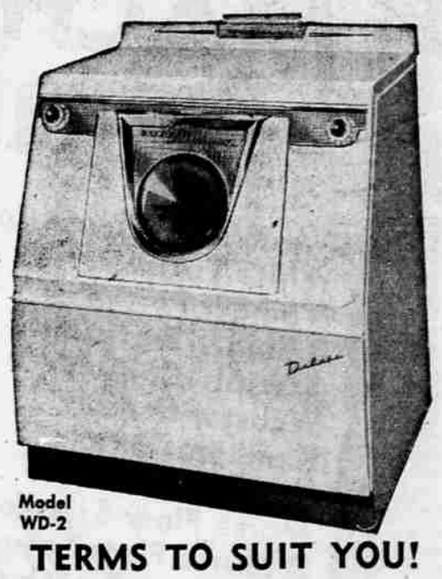

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