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TWO DIL ... ACCIDENT

Evans Creek Mishap Fatal to Portland, Rogue River Men

Car Falls Off Wood Bridge Into Creek

Two men were killed and a woman was injured yesterday afternoon when the car in which they were riding went off a private wood bridge into Evans creek about three miles north of Wimer.

Killed were Oscar E. Wilson, 79, of (315 North Crawford) Portland, and James David Montgomery, 74, of route 1, box 96, Rogue River. Montgomery's wife, Sarah Jane, suffered back injuries and was taken to her granddaughter's home between Wimer and Rogue River, state police said.

Officers said Montgomery, driving the car, started across the bridge, but the vehicle's left wheel missed the left runway plank, causing him to lose control. The car jumped an 8 by 8 inch retaining timber along the edge of the bridge, and dropped 16 feet into the creek.

Killed Instantly
Both men apparently were killed almost instantly, police said. Mrs. Montgomery jumped from the vehicle as it went over the retaining timber, police said.

Jackson County Coroner Carlos Morris said autopsies probably would be made to determine the exact cause of death. The car landed on its top in about three feet of water, he said, but indicated death probably was caused by the crash itself rather than drowning.

The accident occurred about 1:20 p.m. yesterday, Morris said. Montgomery owned a cabin north of Wimer off Evans Creek rd., and Wilson often visited the Montgomerys, who lived in the cabin during the summer months, the coroner said.

The fatalities brought to 10 the number of persons killed in accidents in Jackson county thus far this year.

Montgomery's body was taken to Hull and Hull Funeral home in Grants Pass, and Wilson's body was taken to Conger-Morris Funeral home in Medford.

Three Appear in Circuit Court Today

One man received a penitentiary sentence, another received a county jail sentence and a third received a suspended sentence in circuit court this morning.

Joseph George Matney, 53, of 1546 North Riverside ave., was sentenced to one year in the county jail and his probation was revoked for larceny from a person.

Albert Vernon Mills, 33, Lake hotel, Medford, was given a three-year sentence for forgery. Claude Julian Adams, 19, Modesto, Calif., received a suspended three-year sentence for obtaining money by false pretenses.

Portland — The Columbia and Willamette rivers in the Portland area may reach their spring crests by Thursday morning, River Forecaster Elmer Fisher said.

India Refuses Passport To Alleged Rossellini Friend

Bombay, India — The government was reported today to have refused to give a passport to Sonali Das Gupta, the beautiful Indian woman romantically linked with Italian film director Roberto Rossellini.

Despite emphatic denials by both Sonali and Rossellini, reports persisted that the two were in love and that Rossellini intended to take her with him to Italy.

Influence Used

The government action in blocking Sonali's passport apparently resulted from action by the wife of noted Indian film director Bimal Roy. She was reported to have gone to Delhi, where she has friends and relatives in the central government who used their influence to hold up a passport which Rossellini has been making every effort to get for Sonali.

The reported romance be-



GOVERNOR HOLMES
Dedication Speech



GEN. THOMAS RILEA
Among Dignitaries

New Armory Will Be Dedicated Saturday

Medford's new \$376,930.23 National Guard armory will be dedicated Saturday evening, with open house at 7 p.m., formal dedication ceremonies at 8 p.m., and a public dance later in the evening.

Gov. Robert D. Holmes will deliver the dedication speech. He and Mrs. Holmes will arrive in Medford by plane Saturday and will leave Sunday morning for Pendleton, where he is scheduled to deliver another speech.

Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea, adjutant general of Oregon, will be among military dignitaries attending. General Rilea is a veteran of the Mexican Border campaign, World War I and World War II.

The open house will feature displays and demonstrations of military equipment, including two Army helicopters. The 234th Oregon National Guard band of Portland will fly here in a military transport plane to play for the ceremonies and the public dance to be held after the dedication ceremony.

The new armory will house the two Medford Guard units, Headquarters company, and Company A, rifle unit, both part of the 1st battalion, 186th infantry regiment, 41st division, Oregon-Washington Guard division.

The building replaces the original armory on Bartlett st., which was heavily damaged by fire during the night of Sept. 27, 1951.

Soon after the fire, the late Diamond Flynn, then mayor of Medford, began soliciting local support for obtaining a new armory, which would also provide facilities for civic activities.

Construction Approved
In 1954 the federal government approved construction of a new armory. A city bond issue for \$40,000 was passed on June 19, 1954 to support construction costs. The Jackson county court then decided to the state property at the fairgrounds and donated \$50,000 for the project.

Architects Robert Keeney and Jack Edson were engaged in 1954 to design the building and plans were completed in 1955. Contract was awarded to Wiley company and L. C. McLaughlin, Ashland, on April 20, 1956. Work was immediately started.

Building costs were estimated at \$347,683; architect fees, \$20,860.98; and sewer and water connections, \$8,386.25. Jackson county contributed the land as well as \$60,000; city of Medford, \$40,000; federal government, \$143,707.04; and the state of Oregon, \$133,222.19.

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State Water Resources Board To Meet Here

Portland — The State Water Resources Board decided Tuesday to hold its next meeting at Medford July 1.

The board also set August 26 as a date for a hearing on application for Idaho Power Company for preliminary permits and a license to construct three dams on the Snake river.

Robert Root, Medford, is a member of the Water Resources Board.

403 Calls Made by Firemen on Inspection

City firemen made 403 calls Monday and Tuesday as part of its annual home inspection program, according to Fire Chief Gordon Barker.

A total of 196 inspections were made, and in 178 no one was at home. In 23 dwellings the offer of inspection was declined, firemen said. At the residences inspected, 165 recommendations were issued for correction of hazards.

Weather
FORECAST: Showers this evening. Cloudy tonight and Thursday morning. Clearing partially with a few scattered showers in afternoon. Low tonight 40. High Thursday 65-67.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunrise 4:44 a.m.
Sunset 7:33 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday 1:26 a.m.
New Moon May 29

PROMINENT STAR
Spica, in the south, 9:31 p.m. (Next year at this time, Jupiter, the planet seen in the southwest, will appear directly above Spica)

No Tax Cut Until Surplus Bigger, Eisenhower Says

Budget Declared In Precarious State

Washington — President Eisenhower told his news conference that federal budget is now in what he called a precarious state of balance. He said vehemently that we are not yet at the point where we can even talk about tax reduction.

He said spending in some government departments is running seriously over budget estimates in spite of all the administration can do to hold down expenditures.

Will Do His Best

He said he will do his best to keep the current fiscal 1957 budget and the budget for fiscal 1958, which ends July 1, in the black. But he said he would never agree to tax reduction when the budget is in such a state.

Other news conference highlights:

—He sharply criticized the \$2,586,775,000 cut in defense appropriations voted by the House Appropriations Committee Tuesday. The President said about half of the reduction was nothing but a bookkeeping operation that will not reduce fiscal 1958 spending by one cent. But he warned the other half of the cut will directly affect key defense programs, including aircraft procurement and guided missile development. He said he is very hopeful Congress will restore this part of the cut because national security will suffer if it stands.

Public Response Changes
—He reported that White House mail, which was running heavily against his budget proposals early this year has gradually swung around in sentiment and today is very much in favor of his stand against crippling economy cuts. He said he assumes his speeches to the nation such as Tuesday night's broadcast defending his foreign aid proposals may have had something to do with this shift in public sentiment.

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He said the United States is seeking to reach an agreement with Russia, and is making some progress, but must be certain there are "adequate means to verify performance and to gain increased protection ... against surprise attack."

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GONE! EVERYTHING IS GONE!—This unidentified woman nearly collapses as she views the rubble of her home in Ruskin Heights, Mo., after a tornado leveled it and

all the other houses in the neighborhood. At least 35 lives were lost and 219 were injured when the terrific wind hit the Kansas City suburb.

Dulles Says Cut In Foreign Aid Would Be Folly

Washington — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles told Congress today it would be "folly" for the United States to cut foreign aid spending and weaken the Free World's system of collective security.

Dulles, formally launching the administration's bid for congressional approval of President Eisenhower's scaled down \$3,856,000,000 foreign aid program, joined Eisenhower in warning against any further cuts.

Would Be Spending Blood
Under questioning by Sen. Bourke B. Hickenlooper (R-Iowa), Dulles said he felt that "if we were not spending dollars, we would be spending blood and I think the money is much preferable to the blood."

Eisenhower charged in a TV-radio speech to the American people Tuesday night that those seeking to cut the program further are "reckless" gamblers with the nation's security.

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Longest Legislative Session Adjourned

Salem — The 49th Oregon Legislature, longest in the state's history, adjourned sine die at 11:42 p.m. Tuesday after 128 days.

The session, 12 days longer than the previous record Legislature of 1951, passed an increased personal income and corporation tax schedule to produce enough revenue for a budget for the two years starting July 1 of some \$272 million.

Down-To-Wire Hassle
Final adjournment was preceded by a down-to-the-wire

hassle over adoption of a conference committee report on House Bill 378 which would have prescribed more definite procedures for surrendering guardianship of a child to the State Welfare Commission and other agencies for foster home care.

Reps. Don Willner, Portland Democrat, and Vernon Cook, Gresham Democrat, tried to get the bill considered but were ruled out of order by Speaker Pat Dooley.

Last bill to actually pass the House before the resolution to end the session was accepted was House Bill 397 increasing salaries of district attorneys and prohibiting private practice if they make more than \$10,000 a year.

Final adjournment of the colorful session came after a long day of whipping important legislation into shape for final passage and appointing conference

committees to iron out differences between the two Houses.

The House re-passed and sent to the governor the bill hiking basic school support \$15 million from \$80 to \$95 per census child.

Rep. John Mosser, Portland Republican, said he was not enthusiastic about Senate amendments which wrote a property tax relief formula into the bill, but said it was too late to do anything about it. Mosser said the tax relief formula would be hard to administer, particularly in rural districts.

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Edward Kelly Seen As Possible Judge

Appointment of a new circuit judge for the first judicial district (Jackson and Josephine counties) probably will not be made for at least a week or 10 days, it was reported today.

The bill creating the new judgeship passed the legislature late last week, but in the last-minute rush of measures passed as the session adjourned, an engrossed bill will take some time to prepare before it is ready for the governor's signature. After that, it would be up to him to make the appointment.

Meanwhile, informed Democratic sources report that Edward C. Kelly of Medford is a likely candidate for appointment to the new position. Sentiment of many members of the bar, both locally and throughout the state, as well as of leaders of the Democratic party, favors Kelly.

Judges now serving the first judicial district are H. K. Hanna, Jacksonville, and Orval J. Millard, Grants Pass.

If Kelly were to be appointed, it would result in the unusual situation of two judges in the same family. His daughter, Noreen, is Medford municipal judge.

About 62 people had voted by 11:20 a.m. today at Howard school in a special election in which Berrydale residents will decide an annexation proposal.

The poll opened at 8 a.m. today, and will close at 8 p.m. Ballots will be counted after the poll closes.

Boundaries of the annexation area run generally north from the Big Y junction along Highway 99 to Gore st., west to Lynn st., then parallel to Highway 99 to a point north of Mace rd., east and south across Crater Lake highway and west to Pacific highway.

Reuther Warns Teamsters To Replace Dave Beck

Washington — Walter P. Reuther said today that if the Teamsters Union fails to oust Dave Beck as president it will be "kicked out" of the AFL-CIO and replaced by a "clean union."

Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers and an AFL-CIO vice-president, told a National Press Club lunch that "we don't intend to compromise with corruption" in the labor union movement.

Knowland Lists Allies Deserving of Help

New York — Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland said today that the United States has "many good and stout allies" in Asia and elsewhere who are far more deserving of military aid than Marshal Tito's Yugoslavia.

The California senator listed them as Nationalist China, Korea, Turkey, Pakistan, Vietnam, Thailand and The Philippines.

Fremont Virtually Destroyed; Other Towns Damaged

Weather Continues To Threaten Area

Fremont, Mo. — The death toll stood at 14 today in a swarm of tornadoes that swept through Eastern Missouri and virtually destroyed the little town of Fremont Tuesday night.

The Red Cross reported the verified dead included three at Bonne Terre, four at Desloge, six at Fremont, and one at Van Buren.

There were four unidentified dead in Carter and St. Francis county.

There were at least 70 injured.

The latest victims brought to 52 the number of persons killed by a series of tornadoes striking Missouri and Kansas in the last two nights. Thirty eight died when a massive tornado ripped through suburban Kansas City Monday night.

Weather continued to threaten the area today. High winds hit Dexter and uprooted trees and demolished cars.

Farmer Is Lucky
A heavy thunderstorm struck at Fremont today, a town of 207 population that was virtually leveled Tuesday night. Rains hampered salvage work and most of the evacuated population remained in Winona, 11 miles west.

A. G. Coleman, 75, a Fremont farmer, was up and about today despite a three-inch "Z" shape cut on top of his head. Coleman said he saw the twister coming and rushed his wife and son to the storm cellar. Before he could get in, the winds picked him up and hurled him into a drainage culvert. Some object flying by cut his head. He doesn't know what it was.

The Fremont tornado raced down a hollow along U.S. 60, tearing apart the community built along both sides of the highway. Only three buildings were left standing, a church, the post office, and one store.

Every home in the town of 207 population was leveled to the foundation. One witness said that outside of the three buildings spared by the twister, "nothing over three feet high was left standing."

The twister then smashed into nearby Van Buren and slammed into the town square before disappearing. The twister missed a court house building in the square, but destroyed a number of business places and homes.

Refugees from the Fremont storm, all of them homeless, were taken to Winona, 11 miles away, where they were housed in temporary quarters with the help of the Red Cross.

Fifty pints of blood plasma were relayed by highway patrol units to the injured at the Bonne Terre Hospital, three miles north of Desloge.

Damage 'Tremendous'
Authorities described property damage at Desloge as "tremendous." Thirty homes were destroyed and much of the business district was reduced to twisted debris.

Four Red Cross station wagons from St. Louis brought cots, blankets and food to the city of about 2,000 population.

All telephone communication was knocked out in the stricken area, and the state highway patrol was hampered by atmospheric conditions that garbled its radio network.

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Medford Woman Injured When Gun Discharges

Mrs. Gordon Burton Hibbard, 19, of 1034 North Central ave., Medford, was reported in satisfactory condition at Sacred Heart hospital this morning after suffering an accidental bullet wound in her left shoulder Tuesday evening.

According to police reports the 22 calibre rifle discharged when Mrs. Hibbard removed it from a rack on the wall while cleaning the room. The bullet passed through her shoulder and lodged in a bed, police said.

North Bend Soliciting Law Declared Unconstitutional

Salem — An ordinance of the City of North Bend regulating and licensing solicitors was held unconstitutional by the Oregon Supreme Court today as imposing special burdens upon some persons which were not imposed upon others engaged substantially in the same business.

Irvin Fricke, a resident of North Bend and the plaintiff, solicited orders for wares made by the Aluminum Cooking Utensil Company. In his suit brought against the City of North Bend, he said he kept no stock, but orders which he obtained were shipped directly from the company's plant in Pennsylvania.

The city ordinance required solicitors to obtain a city license unless they should be associated with a local dealer or merchant for a period exceeding four weeks. Fricke was arrested and threatened with prosecution in the Municipal Court.

The Supreme Court, in an opinion by Justice George Rossman, said that Fricke's constitutional rights could not be well determined there and that a court of equity had jurisdiction to enjoin the city from proceeding under an invalid ordinance. The case was sent back to Circuit Court which had previously sustained a demurrer to the plaintiff's complaint.

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