



POOL OPENS—Over 400 Medford youngsters were on hand when the public swimming pool opened at Hawthorne park yesterday.

Registration for swimming instruction will begin Thursday, June 13, and classes will start on Monday, June 17.

Girard's Brother Plans To Appeal To Eisenhower

Ottawa, Ill.—The brother of GI William Girard will try to get President Eisenhower to keep the Japanese from trying Girard today.

Louis Girard left here for Washington with petitions signed by almost 7,000 persons.

The Girard case also may be headed for a major court test in this country over confidential government documents.

Girard told the United Press in Tokyo by telephone from the base where he is being held that "It sure helps to know I got some good people on my side."

Girls State Starts At Willamette U.

Salem — A week-long training-in-government course for some 250 girls opened here today under sponsorship of the American Legion auxiliary.

The biggest Girls State convention in the past 16 years with registrations today at Willamette University.

The girls' all high school juniors will set up city, county and state government units and elect officers during their meeting.

Gov. Robert D. Holmes and other state, city and county officials will participate in the activities.

Linda Thompson, Astoria, last year's girl state governor, will address the group tonight.

Eugene — Dr. Charles G. Moward, professor of law at the University of Oregon, has been named recipient of the first annual Esked award, for distinguished teaching.

New Court Hearings Due Caryl Chessman

Washington — The Supreme Court today ordered new state court hearings for doomed convict Caryl Chessman.

Chessman is in the death house at San Quentin Prison in California.

The high court ordered the new hearing to determine whether there were any inaccuracies in the trial court reporter's record of the trial.

Justice John M. Harlan wrote the opinion for the Supreme Court, which split 5 to 3 on the case.

Chessman, once known as the "Red Light Bandit" of Los Angeles, was convicted in 1948 on 17 counts of kidnaping, robbery and sexual assault.

While holding off execution in California's gas chamber by various legal maneuvers, Chessman wrote the best-selling novel "Cell 2455 Death Row" and "Trial By Ordeal."

He is now 36. "All we hold," Harlan said, "is that, consistent with procedural due process, California's affirmation of Chessman's conviction upon a seriously disputed record, whose accuracy he (Chessman) had no voice in determining, cannot be allowed to stand."

"Without blinking the fact that the history of this case presents a sorry chapter in the annals of delays in the administration of criminal justice, we cannot allow that circumstances to fetter us from withholding relief so clearly called for."

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Elderly Couple, Grandson Die in Fire at La Grande

La Grande — Fire last night took the lives of an elderly La Grande couple and their six-year-old grandson who was visiting here with his parents.

Dead were Joseph L. Crabtree and his wife, Elizabeth, 75, and Ronnie Darcangelo, 6, son of the Crabtree's daughter, Mrs. Bonita Darcangelo.

Flames engulfed most of the interior of the Crabtree home by the time it was discovered by neighbors who heard Mrs. Darcangelo and her husband Angelo screaming in the front yard.

The Darcangelos escaped from the burning home through their bedroom window apparently after a vain attempt to rescue their sleeping son from a davenport in the living room.

Both were burned and hospitalized, Darcangelo suffering cuts from broken glass and Mrs. Darcangelo with internal injuries suffered when she was thrown through the window.

Mr. and Mrs. Crabtree apparently died of heat and suffocation in their bedroom. The boy's body was badly burned.

Cause of the fire had not yet been determined but firemen said a short circuit was probably responsible.

Drain Woman Indicted On Charge of Murder

Roseburg, Ore. — Mrs. Irma Myrtle Miller, 57, Drain, Ore., was arraigned on a charge of first degree murder before circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly today.

Defense attorney, Dan Dimick presented a motion asking the court to appoint one or more experts to examine Mrs. Miller and report on her mental condition and to determine her mental condition.

She is accused of shooting Garrett A. Maupin, 62, of Drain, early Sunday, May 26, as he was sleeping in his home.

Mrs. Miller was released from custody Friday upon the order of district judge Warren Woodruff because he said the state did not present sufficient evidence to link Mrs. Miller with the murder of Maupin.

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Proceeding through the public utilities commissioner's office is necessary to obtain a grade crossing right-of-way at Eighth st., Duff said.

The Eighth st. project has a high priority in the overall 10-year street program, according to the city manager.

Body May Be That of Missing Commander

London — The discovery of the decomposed body of a swimmer in a British harbor has touched off a government investigation.

A London newspaper said the body may be that of Commander Lionel Krabb, a wartime frogman hero who mysteriously disappeared a year ago last April.

His disappearance became an international incident after Russia protested that her sailors had spotted a frogman swimming between two Soviet ships on the same day Krabb disappeared.

The ships were the ones carrying Premier Bulganin and Party Chief Khrushchev on their London visit.

Carnival Accident Injures Ten Persons

Davenport, Iowa — Ten persons were injured Sunday night when a man and girl whirled out of a carnival "fly-a-plane" ride into a crowded midway.

WE'LL DO IT AGAIN

Pro-Westerners Win Parliamentary Vote in Lebanon

Egypt-Syria Axis Further Isolated

By UNITED PRESS — Premier Sami Bey Solh of Lebanon and his pro-Western government won a major parliamentary election victory today that further isolated the Egyptian-Syrian axis from the other Arab nations.

Election of nearly all the government candidates in the Sunday balloting was seen in Lebanon as a rejection of Leftist political attempts to tie Lebanon to Syria and Egypt.

Belief that Lebanon was moving away from Syria and Egypt was heightened by a message from Lebanese President Camille Chamoun to King Hussein of Jordan and King Saud of Saudi Arabia in Amman asking God's guidance in achieving Arab aims.

The Saud visit to Jordan was expected to mean Hussein further from Egypt's President Gamal Abdel Nasser although there has been no official statement that the old Arab alliance had been broken or badly bent.

Worsening of Relations — Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency indicated a worsening of Egyptian-Jordan relations today with a dispatch from Beirut accusing Jordan of expelling two Egyptian officials in a "military plot."

The agency said the Jordanian government had expelled the Egyptian military attaché in Amman and the consul general in Jerusalem in a "Jordanian government conspiracy."

Forest Industry Expansion Planned; Rogue Area Named

Portland — The Oregon Development Commission announced here yesterday a program for expansion of Oregon forest industries through development of the use of wood residue promising "the creation of an estimated 3100 new jobs" and an additional state payroll of \$15 million.

The study, the commission said, was based on research by Sandwell and Co., a nationally-known firm of consulting engineers who blue-print plans for conversion of wood waste into "pulp and jobs."

ODC chairman Joseph W. Smith said the Sandwell firm found three areas of Oregon "particularly" suited to the establishment of wood composition board industries. They are Southern Lake county, Grant county and Curry county.

The engineers also picked nine other sites which all had basic factors "conducive to the establishment of pulp and paper industries." They include the upper Willamette valley, upper Columbia river, Snake river, South central coast, Deschutes plateau, Rogue river valley, Umpqua river valley, Klamath basin, Middle Columbia river and the northern coast of Oregon.

Man Thought Suffering From Poliomyelitis

A 25-year-old Medford man is reported to be at Rogue Valley hospital suffering from non-paralytic poliomyelitis.

If the case is confirmed as poliomyelitis, it will be the first case of the illness reported in Jackson county this year, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health officer.



Lower Down Payment On FHA Housing Help For Lumber Industry

By A. ROBERT SMITH — Mail Tribune Correspondent

Washington — Congressional agreement to reduce down payments on FHA insured housing "a major legislative achievement" which will give housing construction and the Pacific Northwest's slumping lumber industry a shot in the arm.

This is the view of the National Association of Home Builders of the United States, which is hailing the likely prospect of enactment soon of a new housing bill.

Both houses agreed to reduce the down payment requirements, especially for low and moderately priced housing. Under the present housing act, the Federal Housing Administration will guarantee a mortgage with no less than 7 per cent or \$700 down on a \$10,000 house, and 10 per cent or \$1200 down on a \$12,000 house.

Under the bills now pending, both House and Senate reduced the down payment requirement for a \$10,000 house to 3 per cent or \$300. For a \$12,000 house, the House chopped the requirement in half to 5 per cent or \$600. The Senate went even further, to make it 4 1/2 per cent or \$500.

Lumber and housing trade groups have been lobbying for a number of changes which they feel would stimulate the housing market. Housing construction has slumped to an eight-year low, according to the Home Builders Association.

Some trade groups want interest rates on government insured mortgages raised, arguing that the trouble with housing is the deficiency of mortgage money because other forms of loans are drawing higher interest rates and are therefore more attractive to banks and other lenders than are mortgages.

Idea Turned Down — The Eisenhower administration has supported this argument by asking Congress to increase the interest rate on G.I. mortgage loans from 4 1/2 to 5 per cent. Congress, however, has already turned this idea down amidst criticism from Democrats of the "hard money" policy.

The administration was able, without going to Congress, to raise the interest rate on FHA loans to 5 per cent.

The action in Congress now to reduce down payments "is the result of a year-long effort to provide a much needed and long overdue redress of balance for the housing industry, which has lagged behind the rest of the economy," the Home Builders declared.

"It is a major legislative achievement, made possible by strong bi-partisan support, and one which can again bring moderately priced new homes within the reach of tens of thousands of American families," the trade association added.

Here is how the new housing bill would reduce down payments on other prices of housing:

A \$14,000 house now takes \$1700 down payment. House cut it to \$900, and Senate to \$700.

A \$16,000 house takes \$2200 down payment. House would cut it to \$1200 and Senate to \$900.

An \$18,000 house takes \$2700 now. House would cut it to \$1800 and Senate to \$1500. A \$20,000 house now takes \$3200. House would cut it to \$2400 and Senate to \$2100.

Harmony Must Come — The differences between the two figures presented in each case by the House and Senate are what must be brought into harmony before the new housing bill can become law.

The new housing bill also liberalizes the secondary mortgage market for the Federal National Mortgage Administration to buy additional mortgages. The House increased FNMA borrowing power by \$1.25 billion, the Senate by \$350 million.

"It is hoped," said the Home Builders, "that lenders can be persuaded to make adequate funds available for lower and moderate income family housing. Failure to do this during the next year could well result in congressional action next year deliberately designed to channel funds into this segment of the economy."

Director Candidacy Petitions Due Today

Deadline for the filing of school director candidacy petitions is 5 p.m. today, according to school officials.

Two candidates have filed for the single vacancy on the board of education in the Medford school district. They are the present board chairman, Otto A. Ewaldsen, whose term expires this year, and Francis Cheney.

Election of directors in all districts will be held Monday, June 17. One vacancy in each school district will be filled this year for a term of five years.

Searchers Hunt Body In North Umpqua River

Roseburg, Ore. — Drugging operations were continued today in an attempt to recover the body of 26-year-old John Q. Vickers who is presumed drowned in the North Umpqua river above Rock Creek about 20 miles east of here.

'Upset Stomach' Beds President; Said Satisfactory

Blueberry Pie Believed Cause

Washington — An "upset stomach" kept President Eisenhower in bed today. The White House said he was responding to treatment "very satisfactorily."

Doctors attributed the attack to something the President ate Sunday night. Blueberry pie was suspected.

Three physicians in attendance reported that pulse, blood pressure, temperature, respiration were normal, and his heart unaffected.

Sleeping Comfortably — The President became ill Sunday night and vomited three times. Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said, however, he had had "no nausea, ... since early this morning."

Hagerty told newsmen at 2:30 a.m. (PST) that the President was "sleeping comfortably" at that hour.

Hagerty said repeatedly that there was no medical evidence to connect the President's latest digestive upset with his illness operation of a year ago or his earlier heart attack of 1955.

An electrocardiogram, he said, showed no change in the President's heart condition.

The secretary's announcement said: "The President is progressing very satisfactorily. He has had no nausea from his stomach upset since early this morning. He is now sleeping comfortably."

Nothing More Announcements — Barring any important change in his condition, he said, there will be no further announcements until 2 or 2:30 p.m. (PDT).

Vice President Richard M. Nixon said he expected the President would be back on the job Tuesday. Hagerty said this will be up to the doctors to decide.

"When most of use have a cold or an upset stomach," Nixon said, "It is not news. When he (Eisenhower) does, it is."

Hagerty said Mrs. Eisenhower summoned the President's personal physician, Maj. Gen. Howard McC. Snyder, to the White House Sunday night when he complained of nausea.

Something He Ate — Hagerty said the doctors attributed the upset to something the President ate although as of early afternoon the physician had not definitely identified the food that caused the trouble.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles told a congressional leader that it was "true that the President ate blueberry pie Sunday night, but the doctors did not know yet that this was the source of the upset."

Knowland Asks Russia To Leave Hungary

Washington — Senate Republican leader William Knowland, (R-Calif.) has met Communist Chief Khrushchev's TV challenge with one of his own. Knowland asked Khrushchev to withdraw Soviet troops from Hungary in exchange for the neutralization of Norway. In a television interview Knowland said he had suggested making Norway part of the neutral bloc of Baltic nations in a letter to Secretary of State Dulles.

Khrushchev recently said in a television interview that Russia would withdraw its troops from East Germany, Poland and Hungary if the United States would pull its troops out of West Germany and France.

Knowland and Nixon Clash Over Issue of Polish Aid

Washington — Vice President Richard M. Nixon and Senate GOP Leader William E. Knowland, potential Republican rivals for the presidency, clashed today on the issues of U.S. aid to Communist Poland.

Strongly Favours Decision — Nixon, in a speech in East Lansing, Mich., Sunday, came out strongly for the administration's decision to send Poland \$95 million worth of surplus farm products and machinery.

"If because of our action the movement toward independence and freedom is enabled to remain alive and grow in Poland," he said, "the other satellite countries will have an example which they, in turn, can follow."

But Knowland, a bitter critic of Polish aid, said he did not think the free world could win the battle against Communism "if we tax the American people to support Communist economic and political systems."

Would Amend Bills — He indicated he would try to prevent such aid in the future to Soviet-controlled nations by amending appropriations bills carrying aid funds. Knowland is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

The two Californians are considered two of the leading possibilities as candidates for the Republican nomination in 1960, with Nixon regarded the front-runner.

Weather

FORECAST: Fair through Tuesday. Low tonight 58. High Tuesday 65.

TEMPERATURE: Highest yesterday 66. Lowest this morning 47.

SUNRISE: 4:24 a.m. SUNSET: 7:14 p.m. The moon rises at 6:29 p.m. and forms a triangle with Saturn and Antares. It sets Tuesday at 4:06 a.m. and will be full on June 12.

PROMINENT STARS: The twins, set at 10:12 p.m. The dim star "star" to the left of them is the planet Mars.

City Firemen Aid Entangled Bird Sunday

City firemen were dispatched on another mission of mercy last night. A bird, species not reported, was the beneficiary. The firemen were sent out with the aerial ladder truck to free the bird which had become entangled in a string hanging from the J. C. Penney company sign at Sixth st. and Central ave.