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Body Of G. P. Child Discovered In River

Recovery Ends Widespread Hunt By Volunteers

Five-Year-Old Girl Missing Since Saturday

The body of Cheryl Lea Johnston, 5-year-old Grants Pass girl missing since Saturday in the Finley dam area on the Rogue river, was recovered late this morning from the river. The body was found near Robertson bridge, about eight miles downstream from Mattson park where she was last seen alive, according to Medford state police officers.

Her body was spotted from an airplane piloted by Dr. Frank A. Freeburger, a Medford optometrist. Police said the Josephine county coroner was at the scene and it was assumed the girl had drowned.

The youngster had been the object of a widespread search with nearly 1500 volunteers taking part in the hunt since she disappeared at 5 p.m. Saturday while on a picnic. She was the daughter of Mrs. Maxine Johnston, 414 SE 1 st., Grants Pass, and Norman Johnston, Chula Vista, Calif.

Skin divers, airplanes and boatmen had conducted the extensive search, along with numerous other volunteers who plodded through the wooded area along the stream in the hope that the youngster had wandered off away from the water.

Dogs Join Hunt

Bloodhounds owned by Norman Wilson of Dallas, Ore., had joined the search early today and reportedly had picked up a scent and were following a trail, raising hopes that the child might be found alive. A light rain fell over the area Monday night but failed to deter the searchers, many of whom had to crawl through dense undergrowth on their hands and knees.

Permission had been obtained from Washington, D.C., to borrow a Bonneville Power Administration helicopter to aid in the search. The copter was to arrive early this afternoon.

Porcupine Bounty Reduced in County

The Jackson county court yesterday ordered porcupine bounty reduced from one dollar to 50 cents, effective July 1.

The court said reason for the reduction was that a similar reduction has been ordered in Klamath county. It was also ordered that no more than 25 porcupine noses be placed in a single container for presentation at the county clerk's office.

Porcupine noses turned in for bounty should be salted and attached to strings. Members of the court said rules for preparation of porcupine noses prior to collecting bounty have not been closely observed lately.

Salem — Gov. Robert D. Holmes has appointed Clarence Jackson, operator of a 60-acre filbert orchard in Lane county, to the Oregon State Filbert Commission.

Police Seek Third Man in Connection With Robbery

A man last reported heading into California on Highway 99 is wanted by state police for the armed robbery of a Medford man last night.

Grady Allen Conner, apartment 6, 724 Victory st., said he was robbed at the point of a gun. Then kicked out of a car on Suncrest road outside of Talent about 9 p.m. Three men, he reported, took between \$500 and \$700 cash, a wallet, ring and wrist watch.

At 11:40 p.m. Grants Pass city police arrested two suspects in the robbery. They are Willie Woodrow Wolfe, 36, Los Angeles, Calif., and Glen Eugene Johnson, 36, Live Oak, Calif. The



"You're Drunk With Power"

Dulles Sees Eventual Free Governments in Russia and Red China

Washington — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said today that free governments eventually will supplant Communist despotism in Russia and Red China.

Dulles told a news conference that changes in the two countries toward free governments eventually will come about by evolutionary or possibly even revolutionary means.

Dulles said, indeed, the trend in the Soviet Union today is toward greater freedom. He said there are more revolutionary elements in Communist China than in Russia. But he would make no flat predictions of revolution in either country, or when freedom would prevail over Communism.

Dulles also affirmed President Eisenhower's statement on June 19 that Red China would not have to be brought into a worldwide disarmament agreement. He said, however, that a system can be devised which would provide for calling off a disarmament if Red China, even though not a signatory, violated terms of any agreement.

Dulles voiced doubt that Red China would attempt to produce atomic or hydrogen weapons. He said the U.S. assumption is that Communist China would not get nuclear weapons aid from Russia if an East-West disarmament agreement is signed. He said provisions of such an agreement.

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WOMAN ARRAIGNED
Jean Ardith Starr, 38, Ashland, was arraigned in circuit court this morning on a charge of making and uttering a false check. She was given until July 9 to enter a plea.

Mrs. Starr was arrested in Los Angeles, Calif., recently and was returned here to face the charge.

Sack's Sentence Changed To Life By Gov. Holmes

Billy Junior Nunn Only One in Death Row

Salem — Gov. Robert D. Holmes today commuted the death sentence of convicted wife slayer George F. Sack to life imprisonment.

Action in the case of the former Portland apartment house owner was in line with the governor's efforts to get the death penalty abolished in Oregon. Sack, convicted Sept. 29, 1954, of the murder of his wife, Goldie, in Portland, was resented by Judge Frank J. Longergan Monday to die in the gas chamber of July 19.

Gov. Holmes said he was taking the action to commute Sack's sentence to life because he was opposed to the death penalty and because the 1957 Legislature had adopted a resolution providing for a vote in November, 1958, on the question of repeal of capital punishment in Oregon.

No Appeal Received
The governor said he had received no appeal from Sack or Sack's attorneys for clemency. In the commutation order, Gov. Holmes said:

"I am opposed to capital punishment and in my inaugural message stated that it is my feeling that state government has an obligation to be civilized, even in the exercise of its obligation to protect society, and I find nothing in enlightened reformation or the ethics of modern civilization that justified capital punishment."

"It has been established that the imposition of capital punishment does not prevent the commission of murder," he added.

With good behavior Sack could be released from prison in 7 1/2 years. Previously his appeal to the State Supreme Court was rejected and the United States Supreme Court refused to hear his case.

Jensen Sentence Commuted
Sack had been convicted of suffocating his wife by placing her in the luggage compartment of his car. Her body was found in a Portland vacant lot.

The governor earlier had given James Norman Jensen, convicted Medford slayer, commutation.

Only man remaining in death row is Billy Junior Nunn, also convicted from Jackson county.

R. V. Hogan Appointed City Purchasing Agent

Richard V. Hogan, 506 Whitman place, Medford, assumed duties Monday as a new purchasing agent and airport superintendent for the city of Medford.

Hogan graduated this spring from the University of Oregon with a bachelor of arts degree in political and public administration. Previously he spent 14 years in the Army, most of them in administrative capacities.

Hogan's chief function will be to establish a central city purchasing agency, through which all city departments will submit orders and requisitions for supplies and equipment. The city water department and Medford library will continue to operate independently.

To Solicit Bids
City Manager Robert Duff said Hogan's duties will consist of soliciting bids from suppliers and consolidating requirements on supplies and equipment requested by city departments.

Previously each department head was in charge of supplying the department and did not have time to sufficiently study costs on equipment, according to Duff. Competitive bidding occurred only for a few large purchases, he said.

City purchasing will be centralized in order to economize on city buying with bulk purchases and competitive bidding.

Western Powers Formally Offer To Suspend Tests

Russia Must Stop Building Stockpile

London — The Western powers today formally offered to suspend nuclear tests on condition Russia stops building up its nuclear bomb stockpile and trims the size of its conventional armed forces.

British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd delivered the offer on behalf of the United States, Britain, France and Canada at the London Disarmament Conference.

He said Russia's agreement last month to allow atomic test observation stations on Soviet territory "now brings within the realm of possibility a temporary suspension of nuclear testing."

Big Concession
Lloyd offered the West's biggest disarmament concession yet to Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian Zorin at a 2 1/2 hour meeting of the five-power conference.

Zorin's reaction to the 300-word western "common document" was not immediately available.

Lloyd suggested that experts from the five nations start immediate work on the details of setting up inspection stations in Russia, the United States, Britain and the Pacific to enforce a suspension of tests.

He also proposed that the chief delegates get right down to work on "consideration of the necessary relationship of this provision for the temporary suspension of nuclear testing to the other provisions of the first stage disarmament agreement."

But there was nothing in the "common document" on possible compromise with Russia's demand that use of nuclear weapons be banned from warfare, as is the case with poison gas.

Victory for Stassen
The West was reported ready, nonetheless, to offer a partial ban allowing nuclear weapons only for self-defense.

The four-power declaration was a victory for American delegate Harold E. Stassen, who said the idea of suspension to dubious Britain and France.

The western offer was the biggest concession yet to the Communists in the thus-far state-mandated disarmament discussions. The offer, for a 10-month trial suspension of tests while negotiations take place on ending manufacture of bombs, is the key point disarmament policy.

Russia's final offer is not expected for at least a week.

Witness Said Cleared In Death of Fisherman

Santa Rosa, Calif. — Sheriff Harry L. Patterson today said Calisto Galvez has been "virtually cleared" in the mysterious death of fishing boat captain Elwood V. Rost, an Eureka fisherman formerly of Medford and Ashland, Ore.

Galvez' expected release followed four days of questioning as a potential material witness.

"We feel he's telling the truth," Patterson said.

Rost's body was found in Bodega Bay the day before the debris of the wrecked fishing boat Judy Ann was found strewn along the shore.

Galvez was believed to have been the last man seen with a San Francisco fisherman, Homer Gibson, now being sought for questioning.

Castle Air Force Base, Calif. — A handsome Air Force pilot lost in the snowy wilderness of the High Sierra for two months said today he is looking forward to a "second honeymoon in Florida" with his wife.

Thin and tired but apparently in good health, Lt. David Steeves, 23, of Trumbull, Conn., was recovering from his ordeal at this central California Air Force base.

Steeves, wearing a luxuriant beard, reached civilization Monday. He told an incredible story of hardship and courage that began May 9 when he bailed out of his T33 jet trainer over Kings Canyon National Park.

"I prayed continuously," he said, "I felt that others must have been praying for me because the Lord must have been guiding my steps."

Forest rangers estimated Steeves must have wandered 100 miles through the most rugged terrain in the Sierras. He had lost 30 to 60 of his 195 pounds.

Found Small Cabin
Fifteen days after he bailed out Steeves came across a small cabin used as an emergency tool shed by the Park Service.

"I was pretty weak by then, but I was sure I'd find some food," he related. "I found a can of beans, a can of ham and some sugar—and wood and matches."



MAKES LAST TRIP—Motor route postman Alva R. Allen, of Medford, retired Saturday after 35 years service with the post office department. He is shown above he loads up his car for his last trip. Allen was first employed by the department on June 22, 1922, and has been on rural route one in Medford for the last 10 years. As a gift, fellow employees presented him with a bowling ball.

Several Activities Planned in Valley On Independence Day

A night time fireworks display around the theme "Americana" will be set off at the Medford High school stadium Thursday.

The display, sponsored by the YMCA, will begin at 8:30 p.m. It is the second annual Fourth of July show to be given by the Y, and will feature some \$2,000 worth of fireworks.

Preliminary Events
Preliminary events will start at 7:45 p.m. with a hot rod and home car demonstration by the Southern Oregon Timing association.

U.S. Eases Conditions On Loan to Jordan
Washington — The United States has loosened usual terms of control in the grant of some \$30 million worth of aid to Jordan, administration sources said today.

U.S. officials had no other choice as long as they wanted to help pro-Western King Hussein. The young monarch needed aid desperately but could not risk the political consequences of seeming to take American aid "with strings attached."

For that reason, the United States gave the pivotal Arab kingdom \$20 million in economic aid without nailing it all down to specific projects, as has been the practice in the past.

For the same reason, the administration granted Jordan \$10 million in military aid without asking that Hussein accept a U.S. military mission to see how the aid is used, the sources added.

Major Flood Disaster Threatens St. Louis
By UNITED PRESS
A major flood disaster threatened portions of the St. Louis, Mo., area today in the wake of torrential rains lashed with tornado funnels.

The Mississippi river was rising faster than expected at Valley Park, Mo., southwest of St. Louis and was expected to 15 feet above flood stage.

Some 200 persons in 75 homes were warned to evacuate. About 75 of the refugees were housed at a Red Cross disaster center in Valley Park High School overnight. Others moved in with friends and relatives.

Safety Experiment Held At AEC Proving Grounds
Las Vegas, Nev. — The Atomic Energy commission announced today that it has conducted the second safety experiment in the 1957 series of atomic tests at its Nevada proving ground.

AEC officials said the safety test was made yesterday to determine if nuclear blasts could result from accidents in the handling and storage of atomic devices. They said no noticeable off-site radiation was detected as a result of the test.

I had my first meal in almost 20 days."

Later, Steeves found a couple of rusty fishhooks and some thread.

"I used grubs from trees for bait and some days I managed to catch one or two fish."

Caught Deer in Trap
Steeves also rigged a trap and caught a deer.

"Most of it was eaten before I got to it. That was about June 1. I rationed it for 20 days."

He also ate some wild strawberries and even garter snakes. After he was in the cabin for about two weeks, he thought he was strong enough to try walking out. But the winter snow was

beginning to melt and high water from swollen creeks forced him to return.

He decided Saturday to try again. After a day's hiking, he reached Granite Basin where he found two campers, Albert Ade, Squaw Valley and Dr. Charles Howard, a Fresno dentist.

Wife Can't Believe It
"They were the first people I had seen since May 9," he said. "They were just wonderful to me."

Steeves talked Monday night to his wife, Rita, and their 14-month-old daughter, Leisa, in Connecticut.

"She couldn't believe it," he said. "Neither could I."

Opponents Declare Action Leaves No Bill To Consider

Project Claimed Now 'Deader Than Door Nail'

Washington — The House Irrigation and Reclamation subcommittee today approved, 15 to 12, a motion which could scuttle legislation calling for a federal high dam project at Hells Canyon.

Opponents of the single dam said the action kills the proposed federal dam project "deader than a door nail."

Only Preamble Remains
Thirteen Republicans and two Democrats voted for an amendment striking out all but the preamble of a Hells Canyon bill before sending it on to the full Interior committee. The 12 members who voted against the motion were Democrats.

Republican opponents of the measure said the effect of the action was that the full committee was left with no bill to consider.

Chairman Rep. Wayne Aspinall (D-Colo.), declined to interpret the subcommittee's action. But he noted that the vote was taken on a House measure by Rep. Gracie Pfoz (D-Idaho). He said the full committee still could consider a similar Senate bill which passed 10 days ago.

However, Rep. John P. Saylor (R-Pa.), said that if Democratic supporters made further attempts to approve Hells Canyon legislation in the House "we've got two more votes we haven't used yet."

"In other words, there are some things that are dead in this country and one of them is the federal Hells Canyon dam," Saylor said. "It's deader than a door nail."

If so, this would be a major defeat for supporters of the high dam who scored a surprise victory by getting the bill through the Senate.

63 Boy Scouts Leave For National Jamboree

About 63 Boy Scouts and seven leaders of the Crater Lake Area Council, on their way to the Boy Scout Jamboree in Washington, D.C., were to meet in Klamath Falls at 4 p.m. today for a final "shakedown" inspection, according to Scout Executive J. W. Compton.

The boys will be down for the night in Klamath Union High school, and after breakfast in the cafeteria will walk to the depot to board a special 9:40 a.m. train. The train will stop in Eugene, Salem and Portland to pick up other Scout groups before continuing east.

The group will return July 27 after a ten-day stay at Valley Forge. Along the way the group will visit numerous points of interest.

County Officials Make Visit to Local Banks

County Judge Rodney Keating, Treasurer Karl Janouch and the county auditor were making their routine visit to banks in the county today to examine safety deposit boxes and check on the county's financial condition.

The judge, treasurer and auditor make visits of this type to banks in the county at the beginning of each fiscal year.

Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. A little warmer Wednesday. Low 50s, high 60s, tomorrow.

Highest Yesterday 74
Lowest this Morning 57
Precip. to 4:30 a.m. Today, Trace

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 5:31 a.m.
Sunset 7:32 p.m.
The Moon sets 10:35 p.m.
Above it is seen the planet, Jupiter.

First Quarter July 4
The Earth is in Aphelion today, the point on its orbit at the greatest distance from the Sun. Last year it was in Aphelion on July 4.

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