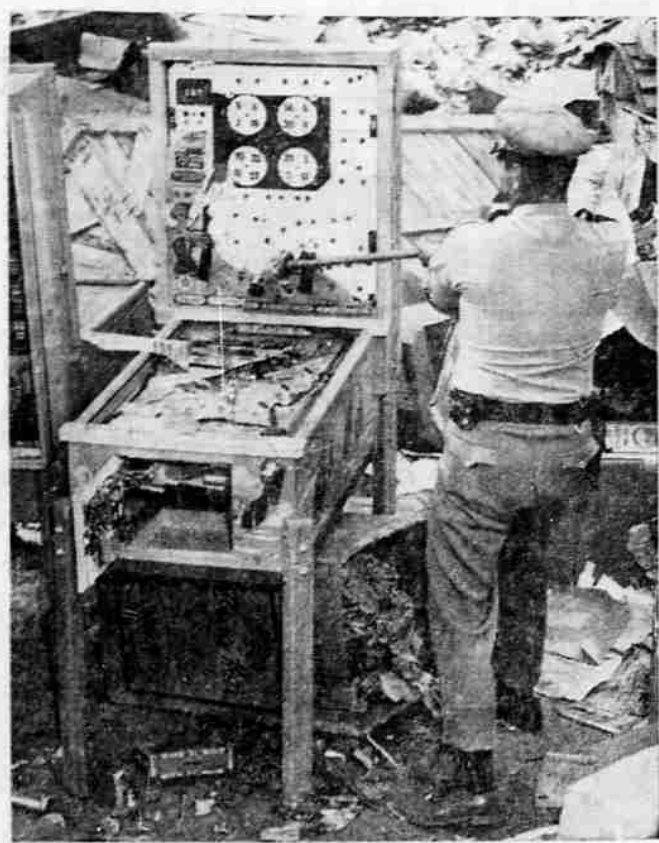




DESTROY PINBALL MACHINES—Three pinball machines, confiscated by Jackson county sheriff's deputies on March 15, and ordered destroyed last week by district attorney Tom Reeder, received "sledge hammer" treatment at the city dump yesterday. At left Chief Deputy Joe Walsh gets a workout as he breaks apart one of the machines. His helper was deputy Dean DeBerry. On hand to watch the operation were Reeder and Medford Police Chief Charles Champlain.

Confiscation of the machines involved arrest of four local businessmen, who pleaded innocent to "paying off" on the machines. Each forfeited \$100 bail when they failed to appear in court on the trial date. The devices were taken from the Talent club, The Tavern and the Medford hotel. A total of about \$200 in nickels, found inside the machine, will be turned over to the county treasurer to be applied to the county school fund.

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Syria's Neighbors May Urge Nation Away From Soviets

Officials Doubt U. S. Can Do Anything

Washington — U. S. officials said today the United States hopes Syria's Arab neighbors will urge Syria to ease away from its pro-Soviet policies.

The most up-to-date official American view on the Syrian crisis was expected to be revealed by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. He called his first news conference since pro-Communist Syrian militant leaders began tightening their hold on Syria's Soviet-equipped armed forces.

American officials doubt the United States alone can do anything to change the Syrian drift to the left. But experts hope that Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and possibly Egypt might have some influence with the Syrians.

Dispatches Trouble Shooter
Dulles dispatched his ace trouble shooter, Deputy Undersecretary of State Loy W. Henderson, to the Middle East last week end. Henderson at meetings in Turkey already has talked about the Syrian crisis with Turkish Premier Adnan Menderes, King Hussein of Jordan and King Feisal of Iraq.

State Department officials vigorously denied statements made in Syria and elsewhere that Henderson is trying to get some sort of armed action against Syria by members of the Baghdad Pact. They said Henderson's mission is to gather information from Syria's neighbors on how they view the Syrian problem.

Neighbors Upset
Syria's neighbors, Arab and non-Arab alike, are upset over the large number of Soviet arms and technicians pouring into Syria. The unusual activity has prompted fear the Syrians may eventually try aggression.

While the United States hopes that other Arab countries will put pressure on Syria, there is some doubt that anything other than political influence will work.

Contract Awarded For Fish Screens

Peter Klewitt and Sons with local offices in Medford were awarded the contract yesterday for construction of a fish screen on the Rogue river above Grants Pass, according to the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation office here.

Klewitt was considered low bidder, at \$126,452, of seven companies submitting bids. Second low bidder was Misco West Coast Construction company of Seattle, Wash., at \$137,179.75. The Bureau's estimate on the job was \$127,269.

Following examination of specifications the work is expected to start in 30 days, it was reported.

The work consists of two revolving screens to be placed on the upstream side of the turbine. This will prevent fish from going through the turbines and being destroyed, a bureau of reclamation official explained. No screens exist on the dam now.

Part of the trash rack will be dismantled to make room for the new construction, he added.

The bureau office at Camp White will supervise the construction.

Washington — The Senate Interior and Insular Affairs committee unanimously approved today the appointment of William F. Quinn as governor of Hawaii.

Teen-agers Injured In One-Car Mishap

Two teenage youth were reported in "fairly good" condition at Sacred Heart hospital this morning after a one-car accident on South Stage rd. last night.

The driver, Dennis Caddy Horn, 18, Camp U-Rest, Phoenix, was reported by state police to have severe cuts on his head and deep cuts on his right arm. His passenger, Richard Smith, 17, also of Camp U-Rest, was reported by state police to have a bad cut above his right ear, and numerous abrasions on his body.

The car appears to have been travelling at a high rate of speed west on South Stage rd., state police reported, when it failed to make a sharp curve. A witness told state police the car rolled over end over end three times. Officers said the vehicle travelled 132 feet, 6 inches after leaving the highway. It came to rest upside down against a pear tree 20 feet off the pavement.

State police said the vehicle jumped an irrigation ditch and tore up a small tree in its path.

Public Health Spokesman Says 30,000 Cases of Asian Flu Have Been Reported

Washington — A Public Health service spokesman said today there have been about 30,000 cases of Asian flu in the U. S. to date with confirmed outbreaks in 20 states and the territory of Hawaii.

He said the 30,000 figure "probably is an underestimate."

In addition, suspected outbreaks of the new type flu, not yet confirmed by laboratory tests, have been reported in nine other states and in Alaska, Dr. C. C. Dauer, public health statistical director, said.

He gave the report at the opening session of a special conference of health officers from all states and territories. The two-day conference was called by Surgeon General Leroy E. Burney to prepare for the nationwide epidemic of Asian flu which is expected to strike this fall or winter.

Burney warned the conference that there is "always a possibility" that the new virus will become virulent and produce a severe form of the disease.

So far, it has been mild and there has been no evidence of a growing severity. But, Burney said, because the virus is "relatively unpredictable," health officers should be on guard for changes in the event of an epidemic.

Dr. M. R. Hilleman, chief of the Department of Respiratory Diseases at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, told the conference that results from tests of the new vaccine against the Asian flu on 700 human volunteers at Walter Reed have been "very promising."

While definite conclusions on the effectiveness of the vaccine

Soviet ICBM Revealed

Dulles Says Claim Will Not Hinder Balance of Power

Red Announcement Not Precise, He Notes

Washington — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said today that Russia's claim to have developed intercontinental ballistic missiles will not affect the East-West balance of military power now.

Dulles voiced doubt that the Russians accomplished any sudden breakthrough in the long range missile field.

He noted that the Soviet announcement was not precise and was carefully worded.

He suggested at his news conference that the announcement may have been influenced by international politics.

Dulles nevertheless said he has no particular reason to doubt the general veracity of the Soviet statement. The U. S. government, he said, is making a careful study of the announcement through its intelligence agencies.

Appeals For Funds
Dulles said it must be assumed that there are some facts which underlie the statement.

Dulles said the Soviet announcement emphasizes the formidable threat posed by the Soviet Union to the Free World, and the importance of maintaining allied defenses against Soviet strength.

Dulles appealed anew for ample foreign aid funds to maintain air and missile bases on allied soil.

He flatly rejected Moscow's claim that its missile test made strategic air power obsolete. Many strategists believe strategic air power will continue for a long time to be the most effective means of delivering weapons to their targets.

Peaceful Use of Space
Dulles said that most of what the Russians said in their missile statement has been known in general for some time.

Dulles urged anew that the Soviets accept U. S. disarmament proposals which include a provision for East-West agreement on using outer space for peaceful rather than destructive purposes. So far, he said, the Soviets have not accepted this proposal.

Street Work Starts On City Projects

Vernon Thorpe, public works director, announced today that work on two street improvement projects has started.

The Rogue Valley Paving company started paving Main st. between Saling and Jackson sts. Monday. Thorpe said he expects the project to be completed by Sept. 30.

M. C. Lininger and Sons recently completed blacktopping Newtown st. between Belmont st. and Stewart ave. Concrete driveways and the final cleanup will be the final item in improvement, Thorpe said. The target date for completion has been set at Sept. 30.

AEC Preparing for Wednesday Testing

Las Vegas, Nev. — Scientists and Army officials today hurried to complete preparations for the scheduled firing Wednesday of the most "sensitive" nuclear device of the current Atomic Energy Commission test series.

"You Can Still Buy Picture Postcards Of the Scenery"



92nd State Fair May Be Most Outstanding

Salem — Oregon's 92nd State Fair which opens here at 8 a.m. Saturday with the cutting of a ribbon by Gov. Robert D. Holmes should be the most outstanding in recent years, according to Fair Commission Chairman Jack Travis.

New entertainment features, a widened midway, 100 new picnic tables and many new entry classes in various departments will be found at the fair, Travis said.

Heading the entertainment list will be the Ames Brothers, TV and recording stars, who will be seen at the night revues.

Portland zoo will have 95 animals on display in Noy's Jungle Town along with 150 trained mice in a Mouse circus.

Free Acts Daily
Free acts daily on the midway will include Helen Haag's Chimp act; the Sky Kings in a high pole act; the Eugene Highlanders, a Scotch bagpipe act; and Monte Brooks' band in several concerts daily.

The horses will race every afternoon except Sunday and the rodeo and horse show will be presented each evening with matinee Sunday and Monday afternoons.

The garden and floral show area has been completely redesigned this year to include a pool and lagoon. Fair officials will follow also.

Contracts Awarded For Sewer Projects

W. H. Conrad, Medford contractor, submitted the lowest bid for part of the city's new planned system of storm sewers, according to Vernon Thorpe, public works director.

The new section will be 5,981 feet long. It will start at Eighth and Hamilton sts., run toward Laurel st. and then to Wall st. From Wall the storm sewer will run to Tenth and east to Bear Creek.

Conrad's bid was \$82,141.25, which was more than the city's estimate of \$68,319.25. Thorpe said there were nine bids on the project ranging up to \$124,500.

A time limit of Dec. 31 has been set by the city for completion of the new project. The contractor has estimated an 85-day construction period following city council approval of the bid.

Southern Pacific Train Delayed by Accident

Klamath Falls — The Southern Pacific passenger train Cascade was delayed for more than two hours about 1:10 a.m. today when it collided with a car at a crossing near Dorris, Calif. There were no injuries.

Milton H. Critchfield, 18, Dorris, jumped from his car as the train bore down upon him. Al Kusler, district freight and passenger agent for the SP at Klamath Falls, reported that Critchfield was returning to Dorris from his work in the fields and was blinded by lights of an oncoming car.

Seattle — The Coast Guard today searched for a fishing vessel which was reported in a sinking condition 37 miles from Yaquina Bay, near Newport, Ore.

Missile Capable of Travel Anywhere in World, Tass Says

Announcement Viewed As High Pressure

By DOUG ANDERSON
United Press Correspondent

Russia said today it has beaten the world to the "absolute weapon"—the intercontinental ballistic missile. U. S. sources were inclined to regard the Soviet claim as a bid for "victory through hot-air power."

The official Soviet agency Tass said in Moscow that a "super long distance intercontinental multistage ballistic rocket" launched somewhere in Russia recently reached an "unprecedented altitude," covered a "huge distance in a brief time" and "landed in the target area."

"The results obtained show that it is possible to direct rockets into any part of the world," Tass said.

U. S. government experts said the United States came to this conclusion some time ago. The question is whether the Russians really have a weapon ready for production that can convert the possibility into reality.

Viewed As High Pressure
Western observers at the current arms talks in London regarded the Russian claim as an attempt to high-pressure other nations of the atomic "Big Five" into accepting Soviet proposals for disarmament.

U. S. senators shared the view that the Russian claim was intended for propaganda purposes.

Even if taken at face value, the Tass statement is too indefinite to indicate the extent of the claimed Soviet achievement. Defense officials in Washington said that if it merely means the Russians have tested an ICBM it does not represent any significant advance.

Missile Blew Up

The United States launched its first ICBM in June. For reasons that have not been announced officially, the self-destructing element installed as a safety measure blew up the missile soon after the start of its flight.

More promising results have been achieved in U. S. tests of an "intermediate range" missile, designed to reach targets within 1,500 miles. Test rockets fired from the Florida coast have traveled over 3,000 miles, more than half the 5,500-mile "intercontinental" range.

Milk Squelches Fire And Saves Curtains

Drinking milk is not only good for a person's health but it is good for putting out fires, William Mattson, 820 South Riverside ave., found out early this morning, according to city police.

Mattson was sitting on the floor talking over the phone with his girl friend when he accidentally set fire to the curtains with a cigarette. In the excitement that followed, he pulled the curtain off the hanger and tried to stomp the fire out.

This proved unsuccessful and he then grabbed a bottle of milk setting out he table and poured it on the flames. In the meantime, his girl friend had misunderstood what was going on and called the fire department. The damage was confined to the curtain, friends said.

Salem — Gov. Robert D. Holmes today proclaimed the week of Sept. 22-28 as refugee week in Oregon.

Suit Filed Against Power Company For Fire Damage

California-Oregon Power company is being sued for damages owned by Dresback, which owns land owned by Hoover, according to the complaints.

The Hoovers claim about 200 acres of Douglas fir and pine timber were burned off their property, valued at \$7,466. They ask damages of \$7,466 or \$14,832. The latter would be recovered under sections of Oregon law which stipulate that double damages may be received by owners of property destroyed or injured by fire in violation of the law.

The Dresbacks charge the fire consumed 100 cords of wood and 8,000 board feet of lumber piled on their land, plus an acre of young tree growth. The property was valued at \$2,200 or \$4,400.

HOFFA CHARGED

Ethical Practices Group Says Filing Based on Hearings

Washington — The AFL-CIO's Ethical Practices committee today filed a new set of charges against Teamsters Union Vice President James R. Hoffa.

The committee said that the charges were based primarily on evidence against Hoffa uncovered by the Senate Rackets committee. Hoffa testified four days before the committee last week.

The charges against Hoffa and other high Teamsters officials previously named will be aired at a hearing late next week in Washington. The charges were not made public.

An AFL-CIO source said that some allegations other than those made by Senate investigators are included in the committee's evidence against Hoffa, their apparent to the presidency of the nation's largest single union.

At a hearing May 6, Teamsters President Dave Beck and Vice Presidents Frank Brewster and Sidney Brennan were named by the AFL-CIO as responsible for corruption in the union.

A supplemental report, not made public, was issued to the Teamsters July 24.

The Teamsters could face expulsion from the AFL-CIO if they fail to follow clean-up directives expected to be issued by the federation.

The Teamsters Executive board is currently meeting in Los Angeles to decide what to do about the clean-up order.

The new charges against Hoffa were announced shortly before the Ethical Practices committee began hearings on alleged corruption in the United Textile Workers union.

Committee Chairman Al J. Hayes, and Jacob Potofsky, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, sat as a two-man committee.

UTW President Anthony Valente and Secretary - Treasurer Lloyd Klenert, accused of misusing \$128,000 in union funds, appeared with 20 members of the UTW executive board at the meeting.

Call For Bids Issued For Park Projects

Crater Lake National Park — Bids have been called on two park improvement projects here, Park Superintendent Tom Williams said today.

On Sept. 10, bids will be opened on construction of a 1,530-foot electric distribution line for the park headquarters residential area. It will be an overhead 2,400-volt system to connect with the present one, and includes six transformers.

On Sept. 12, bids will be opened on about two miles of asphalt paving, including roads in the residential area and the rim campground, together with parking spurs. Widths will be 10 and 18 feet.

Weather

FORECAST: Continued fair. Low tonight 43. High Wednesday 55. Temp. High 41 Yesterday 48. Lowest this Morning 38.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 5:31 a.m.
Sunset 6:55 p.m.
Moonset 8:02 p.m.
First Quarter Aug. 31
PROMINENT STARS
Capella, rises 9:25 p.m.
Arcturus, sets 10:48 p.m.
Venus, planets
Jupiter, sets 7:40 p.m.
Moon, between Jupiter and the Moon, sets 10:29 p.m.

Fruit Men Propose Further Rate Talk

Fruit packagers and shippers on the west coast will try to obtain a public hearing before an examiner of the Interstate Commerce commission on the coast to present their views on a 15 per cent freight rate increase requested by Railways Express Agency.

Fruit men claim that since 1950 the shipping and packing industry on the coast has been reduced 50 per cent because of freight rate increases. They are fighting the proposed further increase.

Meeting Today
A meeting between representatives of the fruit shippers and

Lumber Exchange Opens in Portland

Portland — Formation of the National Lumber Exchange, patterned after similar commodity exchanges such as those for grain and cotton, was announced here Monday.

Founders of the venture said it was designed to put the lumber industry on a par with other vital commodity industries and to spur lagging lumber sales with modern marketing and factoring methods.

Headquarters are in the Terminal Sales building here. The Exchange has installed a Univac electronic brain costing one-half million dollars. It said there is only one other like it in existence.

Lumbermen held hopes that the Exchange would have far-reaching effects on the industry by bringing the seller and the buyer together in a single marketplace equipped with all the refinements of automation. Financing will come from a \$5 fee for each carload of lumber listed for sale and for each one purchased.

Officers of the Exchange include Frederick C. Talbot, San Francisco, chairman of the board and treasurer; H. E. Van Allen, Whitefish, Mont., president; and Howard R. Baker, Portland, executive vice president. Other officers are J. Paul George, vice president; F. Lyle Baker, secretary; and Joseph Hull, director.

Mrs. Scales Renamed To Education Group

Salem — Reappointment of Mrs. Thomas Edna Scales of Sandy to the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education was announced today by Gov. Robert D. Holmes.

Mrs. Scales is vice chairman of the Democratic State Central committee and a leader in state education fields.

The commission includes three members from each of 11 Western states and territories and governs the exchange of students in specialized fields through an interstate compact.

Frank J. Van Dyke, Medford, was recently reelected chairman of the commission. Third member is John R. Richards, chancellor of the Oregon state system of higher education.

Dulles Will Consider Visa From Red Reporter

Washington — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said today the U. S. will consider admitting a Communist Chinese reporter if one applies for a visa.