

Russia Endangering Peace, Dulles Asserts

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Final Arguments Presented On SP Rail Service Case

Railroad Barons Still Operating, Sen. Lowry Says

Brief Presented for Lowry, Geddes, Brown

Oral arguments on the complaint against the Southern Pacific railroad, over its abandonment of rail passenger service in southwestern Oregon, were heard in Salem this morning before Clifford W. Ferguson, examiner for the Oregon public utilities commissioner.

State Sen. Philip B. Lowry, Medford, one of the original complainants, was in Salem to present the case for himself and for two former state senators, Gene Brown of Grants Pass and Paul Geddes of Roseburg, all of whom are serving without compensation.

The complaint was filed in mid-1955, after the S. P. gave notice of intention to drop its two scheduled passenger trains on the line between Eugene and Ashland, after having abandoned the service between Ashland and Dunsmuir.

Three hearings on the matter have been held, and today's proceeding was to have been the final argument in the case. But the SP this morning was given an extension until April 30 to prepare a rebuttal to an additional exhibit, presented by the commissioner's office this morning, relative to the percentage of revenues derived from the Siskiyou line west of the Cascades and the Cascade line to the east.

The SP was to argue its case this afternoon. Senator Lowry was heard today between 10 a.m. and noon. He presented a complainant's brief, summing up earlier arguments.

The brief points out that this is not "a polite contest." "It is not now, and never will be, so long as Southern Pacific Company holds to the belief (heretofore successfully) that it is entitled to dominate the economy and affairs of a substantial part of the state of Oregon," it says at one point.

and it adds that the SP has proved five things: that it has completely demonstrated the evils of unregulated monopoly; shown that the sole interest of the SP is money, without regard to its duty to the public; shown that the days of the railroad barons are not gone, but are now only more sophisticated; and that the SP "is as elusive as the Scarlet Pimpernel when it comes to producing accurate factual information and data."

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Washington — An Army scientist disclosed today the Army wants to launch a man 100 miles into space with a Redstone missile and bring him back safely.

"There Also Seems To Be Some Unrest Among the Americans"



NEARING COMPLETION—Last concrete placement of the Bear Creek Siphon, Talent lateral of the Talent Irrigation district is shown nearing completion. It is located one mile south of Talent and under Bear creek and Highway 99. This

replaces the wood stave siphon shown on the left which has been in use for 30 years. The new siphon will carry irrigation water for the Talent Irrigation district from the east side of the valley to the west side.

Sentence Given for Cemetery Vandalism

The three juvenile boys who admitted the vandalism at the Jacksonville Pioneer cemetery recently, have been sentenced to spend each Saturday for the next year working to renovate and maintain

Gold Hill Woman To Enter Plea

Mrs. Rosemary Slaten, 33, Gold Hill, is to enter a plea in circuit court Wednesday morning to charges of larceny by embezzlement. She was arraigned in circuit court Monday afternoon before Judge H. K. Hanna. E. A. Piazza, Medford attorney, was appointed to represent her.

Mrs. Slaten is charged with embezzling \$12,000 from the Rogue Valley Physicians service. She had been confined to Sacred Heart hospital since April 2 when she was found unconscious at her Gold Hill home.

Mrs. Slaten is tentatively scheduled to enter a plea in circuit court Wednesday, according to Thomas J. Reeder, district attorney.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York — Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 447.58, up 3.82; 20 railroads 106.67, up 1.11; 15 utilities 75.77, up 0.25; 65 stocks 153.84, up 1.20. Sales today were about 2,590,000 compared with about 2,180,000 Monday.

Bear Creek Pipe Nearly Finished South of Talent

Completion of the last concrete placement on the Bear Creek siphon of the Talent lateral of the Talent Irrigation district, is scheduled this week, irrigation district officials said today.

The siphon line crosses under Bear Creek and Highway 99, approximately one mile south of Talent.

The new 1,650 foot, buried monolithic concrete siphon brings Talent irrigation district water from the east side of the valley to the west side. It replaces the wood stave siphon which has been in use for 30 years.

The new facility has been constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation by contract with the Misco-West Coast Construction company, Seattle, Wash., as part of the Talent division project.

Additional rehabilitation and betterment work totalling \$1,991,999 in planned on Medford and Rogue River Valley Irrigation district facilities. Over \$11 million of this appropriation has been extended to date on similar siphons, flumes, etc., officials said.

Rivers-Harbors Measure Vetoed

Washington — President Eisenhower today vetoed the \$1,578,812,000 Rivers and Harbor Authorization Bill—the second time he has rejected the so-called "pork barrel" legislation.

The President told Congress in a special message that it was "with real regret" that he found it necessary for the second time in two years to veto a rivers and harbors authorization bill.

He said he approved many of the projects in the measure but vetoed it because "others are not justified." Democrats had advanced the bill as an anti-recession measure.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Cloudy tonight, partial clearing Wednesday with a few isolated light showers. Low tonight 40, high Wednesday 68.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 5:31 a.m.
Sunset 6:33 p.m.
Moonrise Wednesday 4:15 a.m.
New Moon — Friday night
PROMINENT CONSTELLATIONS
Coma Berenices, high in south
VARIABLE PLANETS
Jupiter, in the southeast 9:40 p.m.
Saturn, rises 12:10 a.m.
Mars, rises 3:39 a.m.
Venus, rises 4:07 a.m.

Use of Diplomacy For Propaganda Purposes Charged

U. S. Prepared for Pre-Summit Parley

Washington — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles today charged that Russia is endangering world peace by prostituting diplomacy for propaganda purposes.

Dulles, in an angry outburst at his news conference, used the words prostitution and debauchery in describing Soviet use of diplomacy.

U. S. Said Prepared — Dulles emphasized nevertheless that the United States is prepared to sit down with Russia at pre-summit meetings at any time to press for peace.

He said he hopes that such pre-summit ambassadorial talks will begin in Moscow in a few days, but he did not know the exact day. He said the west is still working on a reply to the latest Soviet communication suggesting the discussions start Thursday.

World Peace Threatened — Dulles said the Soviet Union for the first time in world history has debauched and prostituted the diplomatic machinery for pure propaganda purposes. He said he believes this is one of the most dangerous developments that could effect world peace.

If they are going to destroy this machinery, Dulles said, the Russians may have to pay a heavy price for what they are doing. He said the Soviets may destroy a frail reed of sincere diplomacy upon which world peace rests. On other subjects, Dulles also:

Difficulties Seen — Said it is fair to conclude Russia has developed difficulties in trying to launch a third earth satellite. He said his statement was not based on firm information but was fair speculation or an educated guess.

Voiced doubt about reports that Russia has experienced a major nuclear accident. The reports suggested such a mishap may have been behind Russia's unilateral nuclear test ban. But Dulles said tersely he doubts that is the explanation for the Russian maneuver.

Expressed doubt that the United States should enter a race with Russia to hit the moon first. He said if hitting the moon has scientific value, he supposed the United States will do it. But, he said, this country should not make such a try merely for propaganda just because Russia may aim for the moon.

Said the U. S.-British "good offices" mission trying to solve the Franco-Tunisian dispute has made progress toward a successful outcome. But he said the final result of the mission is still uncertain.

Deadline Today For Registering

The elections department of the county clerk's office will be open until 8 p.m. today to register citizens who wish to vote in the primary election May 16. Today is the last day for registration.

Ashland voters may register until 8 p.m. with a county clerk deputy at the Ashland Chamber of Commerce.

All persons who wish to vote in the primary election must register if they have not voted in one of the last two official elections or have had a change of name or address since their previous registration, according to County Clerk Bereth Hopkins.

Registrants must be United States citizens, 21 years of age by May 16 and must have completed six months' residence in Oregon by May 16. Naturalized citizens must have their citizenship papers with them at the time of registration.

Where the post office has changed an address, residents should check with the clerk's office to be sure the change has been recorded properly, Mrs. Hopkins stated.

Entrance to the elections department tonight will be through the annex only.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Washington 1 5 0
Baltimore 6 12 0
Pascual, Clevenger (3), Wiesler (5), Hyde (8) and Barabert; Johnson, O'Dell (5) and Triandos.

New York 3 5 0
Boston 0 4 1
Larsen and Berra; Nixon, Fornieles (9) and Daley, White (9).

South African Police Open Fire on Rioters

Johannesburg, South Africa — One African was killed and 58 injured Monday night in native riots protesting Wednesday's parliamentary elections in which only white citizens may vote.

Strikes Called Off — The riots flared in Sophiatown, a Johannesburg suburb, after the African National Congress called off an intended three-day protest strike for lack of support. The strike lasted 12 hours.

Strike supporters threw stones at white motorists, police vehicles and Africans returning from work. Police opened fire, killing one African and injuring four.

The National Congress — only voice of South Africa's nine and one-half million natives — had called the strike to protest the policy of apartheid (segregation). It was aimed specifically at the restrictive by-laws which forbid Africans to move freely about the country.

Registration Small — Only 1,579,000 of the 3,500,000 whites are registered voters and entitled to vote for the 156 seats of the House of Assembly, South Africa's low-

er legislative chamber. The total population of South Africa and Southwest Africa is 15 million.

Premier J. G. Strijdom's ruling Nationalist Party is rated a certainty to stay in power for a third term and pursue its policy of apartheid — complete segregation of colored and white — and severing bonds with the British Commonwealth.

Observers believe that the Nationalists are likely to increase their majority thanks to a change in voting district limits they pushed through Parliament.

Four other parties — the United Party (52 seats), the Labor Party (4 seats), the Liberal Party and the South African Bond — are also running in the general elections held every five years.

Latter Election — The Africans have three representatives in Parliament who will be elected later. The Cape Colored, of mixed blood, who voted as Europeans until the Nationalists took them off the rolls, have four seats and are represented by whites in the Senate.

BREWSTER CONVICTION REVERSED BY COURT

Authority Held To Be Exceeded By Subcommittee

Washington — The U. S. Court of Appeals today reversed the conviction of Frank Brewster, former boss of the Western Conference of Teamsters.

The court ruled 2 to 1 that the Senate Investigations Subcommittee which called Brewster to testify in January, 1957, had exceeded its authority.

The court also reversed a similar conviction in the case of Nugent Lapoma, former secretary-treasurer of Teamster Local 174 in Seattle, who also refused to testify before the subcommittee.

Brewster, who was sentenced to one year in jail and fined \$1,000 — the maximum penalty — has been out on bond pending outcome of the appeal.

Lapoma had been fined \$1,000 and given a 30-day suspended jail sentence.

Brewster had refused to answer questions about union financial matters before the subcommittee. He had contended that it lacked jurisdiction to conduct its investigation. He later testified for days before the Senate Rackets Committee on Teamsters affairs.

The majority opinion written by Judge David L. Bazelon, held that if the subcommittee would investigate misuse of union funds it would have jurisdiction to investigate "virtually every activity engaged in by every person in the land."

Judge E. Barrett Prettyman joined Bazelon in the majority opinion.

In a strong dissent, former Supreme Justice Stanley F. Reed said the opinion invaded legislative prerogatives and hampered congressional investigation.

State, Federal Tax Deadlines Tonight

If you have not yet filled out your income tax — state and federal — you'd better get busy. Deadline for both filings is midnight tonight. And if you're planning to use "lost in the mails" as an excuse, you can forget it. The government doesn't recognize that as a legitimate excuse. Your tax return is not counted as having been filed until it has been received.

Actually only a microscopically few returns are lost in the mail each year.

Fund Collecting Being Checked

Sheriff's deputies today are investigating reports of "questionable" attempts to collect funds from Rogue River merchants to form a pee-wee baseball league.

Merchants informed the sheriff's office that a man was soliciting funds for the league, claiming he was sponsored by the local Lions and Boosters clubs.

A check of service clubs in both Jackson and Josephine counties disclaimed any responsibility for the solicitations, deputies reported.



CRAZY CLOTHES — Baggy overalls, patched blue jeans and old-style garments were all in fashion at Medford High school yesterday when students celebrated what they termed "Grubby Day" that marked the beginning of a week of combined Boy's and Girl's league activities at the school. Gary Winetrou, right,

and Karen Sloniger (beside him) were elected king and queen of the occasion for having the most preposterous-looking costumes. Admiring Karen's and Gary's outfits (who look pretty preposterous themselves) are Gary Fields and Barbara Nulton.

Centennial Group Holds Meeting Here

The regional Oregon Centennial committee for Jackson and Josephine counties held its first meeting last night, to hear of plans for Oregon's 100th birthday celebration next year.

Ted Hallock, Portland, recently appointed state coordinator for the centennial, was here to meet with the group, on his first trip throughout the state.

Hallock described the centennial's organization, and emphasized that the exposition, which will run for 100 days in Portland next year, is only a part of the overall celebration planned.

Tourist Boost Seen — He stated that people throughout Oregon must participate, right in their own localities, if the potentials of the centennial are to be met, and the benefits obtained.

Hallock reported that the Stanford Research Institute has forecast an increase in the tourist trade ranging up to 10 million persons, depending on the amount of effort put into attracting them to Oregon.

It is up to each county, he declared, to do what it can to attract these people and hold them for longer visits. And he pointed out the significant additions this would make to the economy of each area.

A number of potential projects for Jackson and Josephine counties were discussed at the meeting, as well as the role to be played by such local attractions as the Oregon Caves, Crater Lake National Park, Jacksonville, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, the Pear Blossom Festival, and by other projects to be worked out during the coming year.

The committee includes the mayors of Medford and Grants Pass, the county

Joint Planning Set For New Discussion

Joint planning by the Medford and Jackson County Planning commissions will be discussed at a meeting of the two groups Wednesday, April 23, at 8 p.m. in the city council chambers.

The group are to consider combining efforts to develop the best over-all planning and to avoid duplication, according to Jack Eaton, county planning technician.

Joint use of mapping, park planning and other projects will be discussed.

New Channel Possible For TV Viewers Here

The Medford area may have a second television channel in the near future, according to an announcement today by W. R. Richartz, manager of KOTI-TV station in Klamath Falls.

Richartz told the Mail Tribune this morning that KOTI-TV has applied to the Federal Communications Commission for permission to install translator equipment in this area so another network may be beamed in here from the Channel 2 television station in Klamath Falls.

Cost in Thousands — Cost of such an installation would run into thousands of dollars, he explained. If approval is granted the installation should be completed and the additional television channel brought into the Medford area within a year, he said. Both KBES-TV of Medford and KOTI-TV are owned by California Oregon Television company. KOTI-TV uses KBES-TV as an operation base or as a network facility, Richartz explained.

He said television sets in this area will require a "converter" but cost of such additional equipment would be

less expensive than fringe area antenna installation.

Richartz declined to say which network would be used for the second channel (KBES-TV and KOTI-TV now use the CBS primary network) but it could be NBC, ABC, NGA or the NTA film network.

Richartz said he didn't know how soon action would be taken on the application sent to Washington, D.C., but a decision should not take longer than a month, he said.

Would Strengthen Beam — Richartz explained the "converter" equipment is similar to that now being used on television sets in the Cave Junction area to obtain KBES-TV programs.

The translator equipment here would pick up the beam from Klamath Falls, strengthen it and bring it into Medford area homes, it was explained.

"We have been considering this development for some time," Richartz said. "We are merely facing up to the reality that people of the area seem to want a choice of channels. Any commercial broadcast station is beamed to operate in the public interest."