

ILLINOIS VALLEY To Attend Workshop

By RUTH RAUSCH
Cave Junction — Jackie Williams, Illinois Valley High school student body president, will attend the Oregon State Student Council summer workshop held on the University of Oregon campus in Eugene next week. The workshop is attended by student body officers of all Oregon high schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Podoll are hosting Mrs. Barbara Lee of Death Valley, Calif., and Mrs. Clarence Mason of Olancho, Calif., for the month of August.

Mrs. Mary Dymoke, mother of Ted Milligan, is here for a few weeks from her home in New Plymouth, Idaho.

At the Jack Spitz home for the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Harper Mann and granddaughter of Glendale, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Mann of Ukiah, Calif.

A daughter, Cynthia Kay, was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones at Orange, Calif., July 26. The mother is the former Wilma Downing of O'Brien.

Grandmother, Mrs. Charles Downing, is with the new arrival and expects to return with Wilma and the new baby the latter part of August.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Goodwin in Eureka, Calif., August 3 was a six pound, four ounce son. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jens Hansen and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Goodwin.

Darlene Wheeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Wheeler, of Selma has entered the Jubilee Queen contest under the sponsorship of the Deer Creek Grange.

Word has been received of the engagement of Christine Duncan to Raymond L. Sparks, both of San Diego, Calif. Miss Duncan is the daughter of Mrs. Elenora Whitehead now of Yuma, Ariz., and George Duncan of Kerby.

Miss Duncan is a graduate of Illinois Valley High school, class of 1954. Sparks is a Chief Petty Officer, USN, currently stationed at the Naval Training Center in San Diego.

The wedding, planned for December, will be held at the home of the maternal grandmother of the bride-elect, Mrs.

V. T. Grimmelt of Somerton, Ariz.
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gage were hosts this week to Mrs. Gage's aunt, Mrs. C. O. Arnold and daughter, Mrs. Fannie Jiro, of Pasadena, Calif.
A family reunion dinner was held at the Oregon Caves chateau after the arrival of Mrs. LaVina Binley, another daughter of Mrs. Arnold also from Pasadena.

Savings and Loan Association Charter

Portland — (UPI) — The first savings and loan association to be founded in nearly a quarter of a century has received its charter from the Oregon corporation commission.

The Oregon Pioneer Savings and Loan association is capitalized at \$200,000. Nineteen persons signed the articles of incorporation.

Ward H. Cook, organizer of the financial firm, said the association will open for business at S.W. 4th ave. and Stark st. as soon as final approval is obtained from the Federal Home Loan bank and the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance corporation.

A reserve fund capital stock-type of organization, the new firm is one of only three of its kind in the state. Cook said. Approximately 100 persons are stockholders.

Thornton Answers Petition By Langley

Salem — (UPI) — Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton has forwarded to the clerk of the United States Supreme court a brief in opposition to William M. Langley's petition to the high tribunal.

Langley, former Multnomah county district attorney, was convicted May 9, 1957, of failure to prosecute gambling law violators and was relieved of his office.

He appealed to the Oregon Supreme court, but that court affirmed the decision of the Multnomah County Circuit court last April.

Now Langley has petitioned the United States Supreme court to review his case.

Avon, Conn. — (UPI) — One day after he lost out for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in Connecticut, John Alsop's barn burned down.

Teamsters Agent Arrested in Arson Case in Flint

Flint, Mich. — (UPI) — Teamsters Union Business Agent Jack Thompson of Flint Local 332, described as the "closest friend" of human torch Frank Kierdorf, was arrested Saturday on suspicion of arson in the blaze which cost Kierdorf his life.

Thompson was the first person arrested in connection with the fire last Sunday night at Latreille's cleaners.

State Attorney General Paul Adams has pulled to gether conclusive evidence that Kierdorf, 56, an ex-convict and also a Local 332 business agent, was fatally burned while setting an explosive fire at the dry cleaning establishment.

A secret witness said he saw two men running from the burning building and heard the anguished screams of a third man inside.

Missing Uncle
Adams said Kierdorf's missing uncle, Herman Kierdorf, 67, a former teamsters business agent, is a definite suspect in the arson job.

Thompson was arrested on suspicion of having been the third man at the scene of the blaze.

Kierdorf, who staggered into St. Joseph Mercy hospital at Pontiac about 1 a.m. Monday and told police later in the day he was turned into a human torch by two "strangers," died Thursday. His funeral was held yesterday afternoon.

Adams said Thompson will be permitted to attend the funeral but will be under heavy police guard.

Police have questioned many top teamsters officials and Kierdorf friends in connection with the arson and the disappearance of Herman Kierdorf late Monday.

BANS USE OF CONFETTI

Northampton, Eng. — (UPI) — Weddings in Northampton won't be what they used to be. A new anti-litter act put into force Friday prohibits the use of confetti in or near the Guild Hall where most local weddings take place. Offenders are liable to fines up to \$28.

Sputnik Rocket Will Be Visible Until Wednesday

The rocket of Sputnik III, which has been visible in southern Oregon the past few nights, will be visible at least through Wednesday night, according to the Oregon Moon-watch team in Portland.

Several valley residents saw the rocket carrier plainly about 11:03 o'clock Friday night. It appeared first at the bottom left corner of the big dipper and progressed almost straight overhead. After passing into the Milky Way, it apparently went into the earth's shadow and was not visible after that.

The rocket reflects sunlight intermittently, and during the bright stage it has the intensity of a bright star. It is invisible between the bright stages as it tumbles end over end.

Scan Sky Early
The Moonwatch team suggested that people wishing to see the rocket scan the sky about 10 to 15 minutes prior to the time. It is scheduled to be visible about 9:10 p.m. today 26 degrees altitude in the northeast sky, and again at 10:52 p.m. at 63 degrees altitude in the southwest sky.

Other scheduled times:
Monday: 9 p.m., 28 degrees altitude in northeast sky; 10:42 p.m., 60 degrees altitude in southwest sky.
Tuesday: 8:50 p.m., 33 degrees altitude in northeast sky; 10:32 p.m., 56 degrees altitude in southwest sky.
Wednesday: 8:39 p.m., 36 degrees altitude in northeast sky; 10:21 p.m., 53 degrees altitude in southwest sky.

BREACH OF FAITH
Washington — (UPI) — Sen. Thurston B. Morton (R-Ky.) told the Senate Friday failure to act on Hawaiian statehood this year was "tantamount to a breach of faith" on the part of the Democratic congressional leadership.

They visited the Jacksonville museum Saturday morning, and saw "Much Ado About Nothing" at the Ashland Shakespearean Festival in Ashland Saturday night. They left for Grants "Pass early this morning.

Mexico City Police Seek Icepick Plunger

Mexico City — (UPI) — Police here are on the lookout for a "bright-eyed, well-dressed" young man who can't resist an urge to plunge an icepick into a well-padded feminine posterior.

Nine women in various districts of Mexico City have complained recently about rear-guard attacks. In each case, the assailant wielded the icepick and then took to his heels.

Police say the complaining witnesses are of various ages and stations in life, but they are all "well-endowed physically."

One Killed; Five Injured in Wreck

Beaverton, Ore. — (UPI) — Two cars collided just east of here Friday night and one person was killed and five others injured as the highway was splashed with flaming gasoline.

August J. Strassel, 41, of Portland, died a few hours later in a Portland hospital from first, second and third-degree burns.

His daughter, Linda Strassel, 9, was listed in "poor" condition with first, second and third-degree burns.

Dona Jean De Freitas, 21, Portland, is in critical condition, also with burns. Kenneth Kylo, 41, also of Portland, is in fair condition with burns and a possible head injury.

All four persons were in the Strassel station wagon when it collided with a car driven by Le Vernon Brown of Gaston, Ore. Washington county sheriff's deputies said both cars were going east on the highway near St. Mary's school for girls when the collision occurred. The Strassel car rolled on its side in the middle of the highway and burned. All occupants were thrown clear of the car, but were splashed with burning gasoline.

The Brown car careened off the highway and plunged on to a railroad track along the south side of the highway. Brown and his only passenger, Gerald E. Mick, 18, were listed in good condition in a hospital.

Authorities Seek Human Skeletons In High Sierras

Visalia, Calif. — (UPI) — Federal, state and county authorities departed for the High Sierra Saturday to dig for human skeletons on the property of the self-styled "King of Nine-Mile Canyon."

The mountain monarch, Emery La Vern Bales, 53, was in custody here on sex charges involving his two daughters, aged 16 and 18, and his stepdaughter, 21.

Sheriff Sandy Robinson of Tulare county said the two daughters were taken into protective custody July 26 when they hiked out of the hills to report Bales to authorities.

Mining Prospector
Bales, a sometimes mining prospector, has built himself a private kingdom, including a store, school house, Spanish-type home and several bunkhouses.

The girls said Bales "often threatened our lives and on occasion dug up the skeleton to warn us that the same thing could happen to us." They said Bales boasted of having two other skeletons hidden in a mine shaft.

Sheriff Robinson said deputy John McNally, reported he found several bones and scraps of cloth during a search of the Bales property and was shown a photograph of a complete skeleton which the family said was buried in a location known only to Bales.

Because of the unusual aspects of the case, the recently-married stepdaughter was brought to Visalia from Denver, Colo., for questioning. Robinson said she supported statements taken from the other girls.

Bales is to be arraigned in Porterville justice court Monday on the sex accusations. His wife and their two sons, aged 14 and 17, still are at the family's canyon home.

AIR CADETS TRAVEL

Washington — (UPI) — One hundred and forty-five teen-aged American boys are traveling abroad this summer in the 11th annual International Air Cadet Exchange program.

They will visit 21 nations in South America, Europe, the Near East, Canada, Mexico and Cuba. Meanwhile, the counterparts of these American junior ambassadors of good will—145 youths from 21 foreign countries — are touring the United States.

State Supreme Court Finds Docket Loaded

Salem — (UPI) — In an effort to relieve the accumulation of cases on the docket of the Supreme Court, justices remained in session until Friday.

During July and through the first week of August the court announced decisions in 25 cases.

Justices said today they do not anticipate that any more cases will be argued until the fall term begins immediately after Labor Day.

However, most justices will remain in Salem and work on business already submitted. On Sept. 3 the court will resume hearing cases.

Although since July 1st 36 new cases were filed, the largest number for a comparable period in many years, the court disposed of 33 of them through written opinions, dismissals and consolidations.

Six petitions for rehearing and one petition for a writ of mandamus and 20 miscellaneous motions and petitions were also disposed of.

Columbia Flow 78 Per Cent Average

Portland — (UPI) — The U. S. Geological Survey here announced Friday that the monthly mean flow of the Columbia river at The Dalles was 78 per cent of average for July in the 15-year period 1938-52.

The announcement came after adjustments had been made for storage changes in eight major power reservoirs of the Columbia river system and for pumpage at Grand Coulee.

Hollis M. Orem, engineer in charge said the monthly-mean streamflows in July were below average over most of the Pacific Northwest. They were low in the Flathead river basin in Montana, in the Priest, upper Clearwater and Sanke rivers above Heise in Idaho. In most of the streams on both sides of the Cascades in Washington, and in the Umatilla river in Oregon. Runoff was high in only Oregon's Deschutes river.

SORE THUMB
New York — (UPI) — Luis Osvaldo Lavin-Gardin escaped twice within a week from immigration authorities who were trying to deport him to Cuba. The first time, he was captured; the second time, he surrendered, having decided it was useless for him to try living as a fugitive, since he must travel in a wheelchair.

Fire Near Hornbrook Blackens 400 Acres

Hornbrook — Fire of undetermined origin blackened about 400 acres of range and brushland east of Hornbrook Friday afternoon.

Thirty men, four crawler-type tractors, and seven pumps assisted in fighting the blaze, which started about 2:45 p.m. Friday. It was brought under control about 9 p.m.

Two planes from the Montana forest service, one of them a biplane, one of them a

'Pigeon Drop' Nets 72-Year-Woman

Portland — (UPI) — A 72-year-old woman Friday was the victim of an age-old confidence game here called the "pigeon drop" and it cost her \$6000.

Mrs. Ethel Victoria Salls recounted to police how a strange woman approached her in a downtown department store and told of another friend who had found a wallet with a great deal of money in it. The friend soon appeared.

The two women offered to share their find with Mrs. Salls if she could prove herself responsible. Anxious to share in the other woman's good fortune, Mrs. Salls went with them to her bank where she drew out \$6000 of her life's savings to prove her responsibility.

She turned the money over to the strangers in good faith and they promised to return shortly with Mrs. Salls' money plus her share of the money they said they found. They have not returned.

The average depth of the Pacific ocean is 14,548 feet, compared with 12,880 feet for the Atlantic.

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