

9 Held in Drug Crackdown

Ike To Watch For Exploitation of Dulles' Illness

Washington—UPI—The administration is determined to prevent Russia from exploiting the illness of Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to gain an advantage in the Berlin crisis.

President Eisenhower made it clear Wednesday that there will be no softening of the Allied position in the face of Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev's statement that there would be war if the Western powers tried to shoot their way through a Communist blockade.

Diplomatic quarters interpreted Khrushchev's statement as a Russian attempt to throw a monkey wrench into Allied strategy and present the West with a new challenge while Dulles is hospitalized.

The President told his news conference that Khrushchev "must be talking about shooting to stop us from doing our duty." Eisenhower added:

"We are not saying that we are going to shoot our way into Berlin. We say we are just going to go and continue carrying out our responsibilities . . . so that if we are stopped it will be somebody else using force."

The President also emphasized that Dulles will continue to help guide U. S. foreign policy from his hospital bed at Walter Reed Army Medical Center where he starts undergoing radiation treatment for cancer Friday.

Eisenhower said that there would be no change in the Western strategy for a Big Four foreign ministers' meeting because of the cabinet member's illness.

He said that he and Dulles decided during a talk Tuesday at the hospital that the meeting should go "right ahead."

No Substitute

In answer to another ques-

Ike Urges Pacific Plane Competition

Washington—UPI—President Eisenhower has advocated competitive U. S. service on international air routes to the Pacific.

He asked the Civil Aeronautics Board to undertake a sweeping review of trans-Pacific air routes and submit recommendations to him on the carriers that should fly them.

In a letter Wednesday to CAB Chairman James R. Duffee, the President said "the public interest requires competitive American flag service at the earliest feasible date on all international air routes serving major U. S. cities."

The two big carriers in the Pacific now are Pan American and Northwest Airlines. Pan American flies the southern, or island-hopping, route to the Orient and has applied to the CAB for the Great Circle or northern route flown by Northwest.

Oswego Lake Water Use Debated

Hillsboro—UPI—The right of residents living near the shore of Oswego lake to pump water from the lake to water their lawns was questioned Wednesday.

Counsel for upstream users of Tualatin river water brought up the point at a hearing here by the state engineer to adjudicate water rights on the stream.

Carol Bradley, attorney representing upstream users, said "an important amount of water is being used by lake residents in contravention of the state water code." He said the amount residents pump should be deducted from any diversion the Oregon Iron & Steel company claims is needed for a 500-kilowatt power plant.

tion, the President said he had given no thought to appointing a "chief negotiator" to substitute for Dulles if the Russians agree to the proposed foreign ministers' meeting.

He said that Dulles' views are well known and he is backed up "by able men of his own choosing." For that reason, Eisenhower said, it is not likely there will be any need to hold the foreign ministers' conference in the United States because of Dulles' present disability.

175 Area People To Take Part in Heart Campaign

About 175 area residents are expected to participate in the annual Heart Sunday campaign between 1 and 5 p.m. Sunday, Mrs. Manville M. Heisel, chairman, has announced.

The campaign will be conducted in Medford and surrounding towns, she said.

Volunteers will wear identification, and will travel from door-to-door. Donations may be sealed in envelopes furnished by Heart Sunday volunteers, Mrs. Heisel said.

She said those who are not contacted Sunday afternoon and who wish to contribute to the Heart association, may telephone her at SPring 2-6936 or mail donations to Dwight Houghton at the U.S. National Bank of Portland, Medford branch.

Memorials Mrs. Heisel said donations may be made for memorials, and if so, it should be indicated on the envelope, along with the name of the person in whose memory it is being made.

Captains for the Heart Sunday campaign include Mrs. Floyd Crafts, Mrs. Larry Clark, Mrs. C. A. Parlier, Mrs. Jack Sandborn, Mrs. Robert Shepard, Mrs. Dean Gleaves, Mrs. Cleo Epps, Mrs. Dick Foy, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mrs. Ray Hopper, Mrs. Dan Dwyer, Mrs. Darrell Leavens, Mrs. Clayton Ruhl, Mrs. Jack Holmes, Mrs. L. G. Pickell, Mrs. Jack Edson, Mrs. William Farrell, Mrs. N. H. Gladfield, Mrs. Richard Mole, Mrs. Brad Broyles, Mrs. Earle Fichtner and Mrs. Mark Smith.

Funds collected in the campaign will be used to support the association's research, education and community service programs.

Accident Victim On Critical List

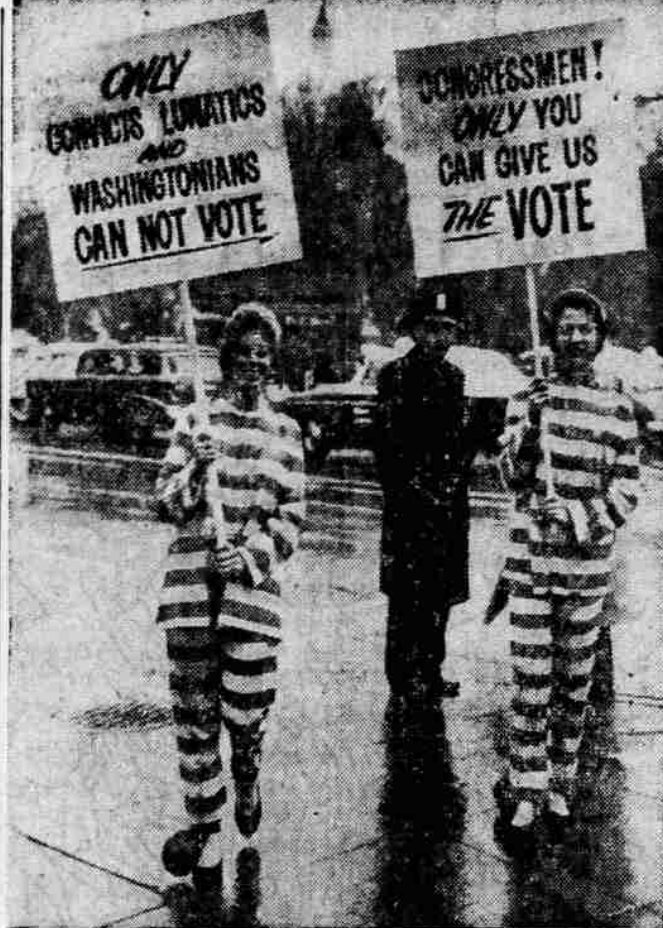
Harry L. Tant, 20, airman stationed at Hebo, Ore., remains on the critical list at Sacred Heart hospital. He was one of four persons injured in a one-car accident Tuesday evening by Rock Point bridge on Highway 99.

David J. Manary Jr., 19, Grants Pass, whose condition was listed as serious yesterday, was reported by Sacred Heart hospital officials as "slightly improved" today.

Two other passengers, both from Grants Pass were in good condition at Rogue Valley hospital. They are Janis Woodson Manary, 17, and Kathryn Mignat, 18.

Corvallis—UPI—Forestry practices will be patterned more and more like those in Europe after the region moves from a virgin to a second-growth cycle, according to J. R. Dilworth, forest management head at Oregon State college here.

Salem—UPI—State Motor Vehicle Director Vern Hill has appointed Donald W. Christianson, 42, as department personnel officer.



MIGHT AS WELL BE CONVICTS - Two members of the Washington Home Rule Committee picketed the Capitol in Washington, dressed in convict uniforms to dramatize the situation of residents of the nation's capital. Since about the time of the Civil War, citizens of the District of Columbia, along with insane persons and convicted criminals, have been denied the right to vote for their government.

Fire Rages Through 3-Story Apartment House at La Grande

La Grande—UPI—Fire of undetermined origin raged through a three-story brick-veneer apartment building late Wednesday. It was the second major fire this week in this eastern Oregon city.

Firemen started the blaze apparently in the basement of the Grande Ronde apartments causing evacuation of about 125 residents from the 24 units.

No injuries were reported among the tenants but a fireman overcome with smoke had to be removed from the scene after the blaze had been burning four hours.

Firemen from the La Grande, Baker and Island City fire departments fought the blaze which some residents said was caused by an explosion.

The flames consumed the interior of the building and the blaze was still smoldering this morning.

Firemen were at the scene for 13 hours and managed to keep the blaze confined to the one structure.

They said damage might run from \$150,000 to \$200,000.

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Two Prized Penguins Succumb at Portland

Portland—UPI—Two more prized penguins died Wednesday, apparently from aspergillosis, the lung disease which has wiped out many of the Antarctic birds. There are 22 Adelies and 17 Emperor penguins left.

About 85 per cent of the steel produced in the United States is made by the basic open hearth method.

Ashland Rancher To Be Wagon Master For Crossing of Old Oregon Trail

Portland—UPI—A 130-day journey by a group of space age pioneers in five covered wagons is set for a 2000-mile crossing of the old Oregon Trail.

Major Cities of Coast Involved In Narcotics Ring

Leaders Believed Paid for Slaying

San Francisco—UPI—Nine of 17 persons indicted by a Federal Grand Jury as suspected conspirators in an alleged coastwide narcotics ring have been arrested, federal agents announced today. Two others were previously in custody, leaving six at large.

A 12th person, Sharmine S. Ayo, 21, cocktail waitress, was arrested in a raid on her Oakland apartment Wednesday. Police said they found 5 1/2 ounces of pure heroin wrapped in tinfoil in her purse. She was not named in the indictment.

A 21 count indictment returned Wednesday said two of the ring's leaders paid \$1,000 each for the slaying of a Portland man who supposedly had informed on another ring member.

Col. George White, district supervisor of the federal bureau of narcotics, said the ring had operated since early 1957, distributing about \$4 million worth of heroin and cocaine.

Arrested Wednesday were William Catlett, 37; Patricia Ann Johnson, 26, and Clark Elean, 33, all of Oakland; Lulu Jones, 25; Fred Jones and Ernest Arnold, 36, all of Portland; LeRoy Lemons, 32, Seattle, and Berthelma Nolan, 24, and Leon T. Graves, all of Los Angeles.

Already in custody, before the indictment was returned, were the alleged ringleader, LeRoy Jefferson, 37, Portland, jailed in Los Angeles on another charge, and Clarence Criss, 41, serving a sentence at McNeil Island, Washington, federal penitentiary.

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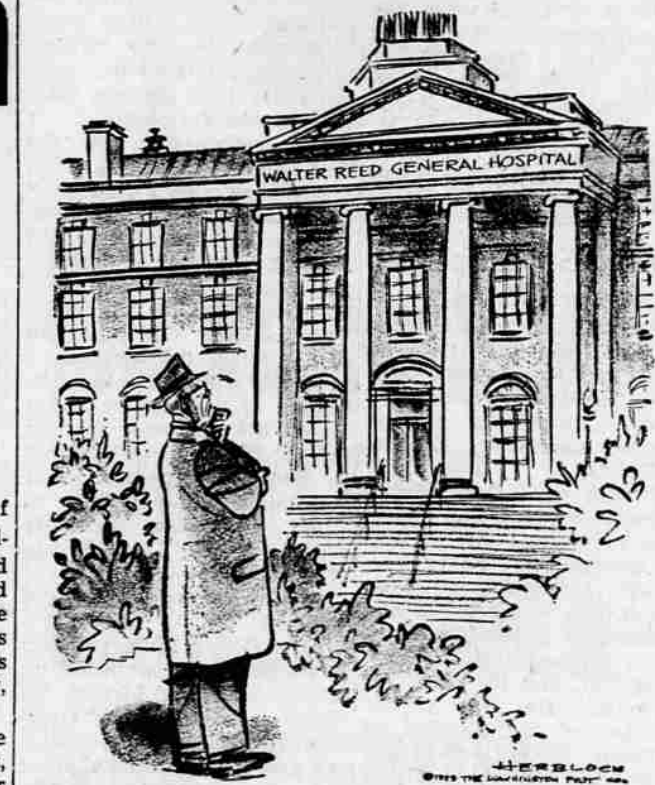
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Foreign Policy Decision



Three Members of Draft Board Still Plan to Resign

Three members of the Jackson county selective service board said today they still plan to resign, another said he would make no commitment at this time, and the fifth was not immediately available for comment.

The three members reaffirmed their position this morning after Gov. Mark Hatfield's office in Salem said there was no plan to recall the nomination of Sprague Carter, Pendleton, for state selective service director.

The United Press International reported that Hatfield's office has received "seven or eight" protests to the nomination, but that the governor would "stand pat" on his decision.

Drawn Criticism The nomination has drawn

Jury Deliberates On Guilt of Beck

Tacoma, Wash. —UPI—A federal court jury of eight men and four women resumed deliberations today to attempt to decide if former Teamster Union President Dave Beck is innocent or guilty of income tax evasion.

The jury deliberated for about five hours Wednesday. Beck, 63, is charged with evading more than \$240,000 in income tax payments for 1950 through 1953.

If convicted, he could be sentenced to as much as five years in prison and fined as much as \$10,000 on each of the six counts against him.

Bill To Abolish Rogue Board Tabled

Salem—UPI—The House Fish and Game Committee has tabled a bill to abolish the Rogue River Coordinating Board.

Rep. W. H. Holmstrom (D-Gearhart) pointed out that the board costs no money.

He also said there was the possibility that the federal government might some day adjust the price of gold so that gold dredging on the river might start again.

Pendleton—UPI—Charles Chandler of Baker has been reelected president of the Oregon Herford Association. Norman Jacobs, Merrill, was named vice president and Dick Richards, Warren, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Civil Service Bill For Firemen Returned

Salem—UPI—A bill providing for civil service for firemen was sent back to the State and Federal Affairs Committee in the House today for further study.

There was no opposition voiced on the floor but several technical corrections had to be made.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York—UPI—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 595.04 up 6.22; 20 rails 164.21 up 2.03; 15 utilities 91.28 up 0.36; 65 stocks 206.71 up 1.99. Sales 4,160,000 compared with 3,480,000 Wednesday.

Ike Arrives In Mexico To Pay Visit

Acapulco, Mexico—UPI—President Eisenhower flew across the Rio Grande to this sunny resort city today to pay a get acquainted visit to Mexico's new president, Adolfo Lopez Mateos.

Lopez Mateos greeted his northern neighbor at the airport, where a red carpet was spread for Eisenhower and his party.

Eisenhower's plane, the Columbine III, left Bergstrom Air Force Base near Austin, Tex., at 4:19 a.m. (PST) and arrived at 7:55 a.m. (PST). Five minutes later the U.S. chief executive stepped jauntily down the ramp, followed by his brother Milton.

Jess Resigns as Head of County Resources Group

William L. Jess, Eagle Point, submitted his resignation Wednesday afternoon as chairman of the Jackson County Water Resources committee in a letter to the county court.

Jess, who has been chairman of the committee since it was started in July 1957, stated in his letter that "in view of the possibility that the next matter coming before the Jackson County Water Resources committee may well be the Corps of Engineer's Rogue Basin report and since I have been closely associated with an organization espousing that report, I hereby submit my resignation . . . Completely Detached"

"I do this in the belief that the chairman should be in a position to give completely detached consideration to any recommendations. It has been a pleasure to serve under the court as well as a pleasure to work with the other members of the committee and subcommittees."

Jess is president of the Rogue Basin Control and Water Resources association. The court accepted his resignation with "reluctance" Judge Earl Miller said today. Gerald Latham, vice chairman of the committee, was appointed chairman, with a new vice chairman to be appointed later.

Airport Facilities On Council List

A plan for developing new facilities at Medford airport south of the terminal building will be presented at the city council meeting at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the city hall.

A public hearing on a proposed zone change from residential to limited commercial for property on the north side of East Jackson st. east of Genessee st. also is scheduled. A branch of the Rogue Valley State bank is planned for this site if the change is approved.

Adopting plans and specifications for the Berrydale sanitary sewer and for improving East Jackson st. from Bear creek to Genessee st. are other agenda items.

The proposed airport development would involve paving, installation of curbs and providing of water on the city's part. Leases with Janrick Air service and Kenneth B. Owens for commercial operations in the area being considered are up for approval tonight.

In other airport business, the council is slated to consider emergency fund appropriation for paying the premium on a new liability insurance policy. Final acceptance of the high intensity runway lighting system installation is also on the agenda.

21 Drivers Cited Through Radar Set

A total of 21 traffic citations have been issued for basic rule violations caught by Medford's new radar set since Feb. 9. Medford police reported today.

According to municipal court records, only one driver has contested a citation based on radar so far. He was found guilty.

Police officers said public reaction to the radar's use has been generally good. Police Chief Charles Champin reiterated that the purpose of radar is more to reduce speeding through its psychological effect than to see how many more citations can be issued.

The first citation based on radar was issued Feb. 9. Prior to that only warnings had been issued.

Payroll Checks Taken From Ernie's Supply

Ten blank payroll checks and a check protector were stolen from Ernie's Builders Supply, Rogue River, some time Wednesday night, state police and sheriff's deputies reported today.

The checks, all printed with the firm's name and address, are on the U.S. National Bank of Portland, Medford branch. The check protector perforates the amount of the check and the name "Ernie's" when used, it was explained.

The building was entered by kicking a hole in the ceiling, officials reported.

Humphrey Considering Primary in Oregon

Washington—UPI—Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.), today was reported to be considering an entry into Oregon's May primary election next year if he decides to go after the Democratic presidential nomination. Aides said no decision has yet been reached.

WEATHER FORECAST: Considerable cloudiness and a chance of a few light showers tonight and Friday. Snow showers above 4,000 feet. Low tonight 35. High Friday 55.

Our Skies Tonight Sunset today 5:48 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:02 a.m. Moonset tomorrow 4:57 a.m. Feb. 23 The Moon, tonight, is moving between Procyon and the Twins. Polaris, the Wiggler Twin (and nearer the Moon) is 25 light years from the Earth; Procyon is 11 light years away.