

Blast Causes Power Outage

Springfield - (UP) - A 69,000 kilowatt Pacific Power and Light transmission line near Armitage Park was blown down by the force of a dynamite explosion Friday evening.

The blast knocked out service to six communities.

Vernon Johnson, Eugene, told PP&L officials he had driven a dynamite-filled pipe into the ground to blow out an irrigation sump. The explosion sent the pipe back up through the ground and into the power line.

Service was out from 5:16 to 5:43 p.m. in Armitage Park, Brownsville, Lancaster, Harburg, Junction City and Elmira.

The pipe also knocked down a Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. line after flying through a tree.

Bridge Span Works Again

Portland - (UP) - The lift span of the Interstate bridge between here and Vancouver, Wash., is back working on electrical power.

The span quit working on electrical power Monday and gasoline powered auxiliary engines were forced to be used to lift the span.

Friday, workmen of W. R. Grasley Co., the firm which installed the equipment to lift the span, found a short between two wires in a 160-foot cable carrying 480 volts in 30 conductors.

Clements Convicted Says 'I Didn't Do It'

Portland - (UP) - Albert M. Clements, 28, was convicted in federal court here Friday of the Dec. 17 robbery of the Hillsdale branch of the Multnomah bank.

The verdict touched off a flurry of emotion that resulted in the arrest of Clements' 19-year-old brother-in-law, John Gross Jr., after witnesses said he cursed and threatened the women bank tellers who had testified at the trial.

The jury of six men and six women deliberated about an hour and a half before finding Clements guilty. Federal Judge Gus Solomon declined to continue Clements on bail and ordered him into the custody of the United States marshal pending sentencing at 2 p.m. next Friday.

"Didn't Do It" Clements' only statement was: "I didn't do it."

His wife said: "My husband is not guilty. Now we don't know what to do."

There was excitement at the other end of the building. Deputy marshals were called to the U.S. attorney's office, and within minutes marched young Goss back to Judge Solomon's court. Assistant U. S. Attorney George Guba, who prosecuted the bank robbery trial, told Judge Solomon that Goss had approached the bank witnesses, called them "filthy and vile names and threatened physical violence."

He asked that the matter be set down for hearing, and Judge Solomon set it at 10 a.m. Thursday with bail at \$300.

Juvenile Drivers' Licensing Discussed

Eugene - (UP) - The most effective punishment of juvenile traffic violators is to take away their license, according to Circuit Judge Virgil Langtry of Portland.

Moderating a panel on traffic courts for juveniles during the seventh Oregon traffic court conference at the University of Oregon law school here Friday, Judge Langtry said: "I don't consider fines of any value . . . and I don't think a child under 18 has any great need for a driver's license, so I don't worry about taking it away for a while."

The traffic court conference ended its three-day meeting here yesterday.

EXPLAINS LOSS
East Los Angeles - (UP) - Catherine Bosco, 36, airily explained to police why she was sitting in a bar Friday night wearing only a bra: "My roommate wanted her clothes back so I gave them to her."

Jury Finds Driver Innocent of Charges

Jimmy Howard Day, of 417 King st., Medford, was acquitted by a circuit court jury Thursday night of charges of failing to stop at the scene of an accident involving bodily injury.

The jury went out at 5 p.m. Thursday and deliberated for approximately 45 minutes before returning a verdict of innocent.

Day was charged with being involved in an accident March 8 in which he struck Edward McCormick, a pedestrian, and failed to stop to assist the injured man or to leave his name and address. The accident occurred at Ken Malone's Service station on East Main st., Ashland.

District Attorney Thomas J. Reeder represented the state in the day-long case and Attorney Alan B. Holmes defended Day.

WANT INTEGRATION
Mobile, Ala. - (UP) - Two Negroes filed suit in federal court Friday demanding integration of Mobile city buses.

Norman Evans and Mathew Boney asked for a permanent injunction to end racial discrimination by declaring four sections of the Mobile city code and segregated seating unconstitutional.



VISIT PLANT - Students from Crater Lake National Park Friday visited departments of the Mail Tribune. They made the trip into the valley from the park accompanied by Mrs. Lee Fulton and Mrs. Jackie Pool, who teaches the school. Students shown above watching the Mail Tribune's press

SCHOOL NEWS

Medford High School
Edited by Barbara Nulton. Reporters, Tanya Enders, Rosemary Eismann, Margie Good, Peggy Fisch, Deanna Russell.

With only a little more than a month left in the 1958-59 school year, several clubs and Girls and Boys leagues are busy electing officers and leaders for next year. The coming of the prom and the choosing of its queen and court also plays an important part this time every year.

The girls nominated by their male counterparts for the title of Junior Princesses are Molly Barker, Patty Barnes, Mary Jenny, Judy Lambert, Linda Lowry, Karen Morlan, Pat Newbury, and Joy Olson. Four of these girls have been chosen by fellow junior class members and will be in the Prom's royal court; however, it has not been announced which of the girls it will be.

The girls the senior boys have chosen to be their princesses are Sue Baker, Carol Clayton, Jackie Creager, Linda Harnsberger, Judy McGraw, Teresa Mee, Martha O'Sullivan, Barbara Reich, Delia Robinson, Shirley Rutherford, Barbara Taplett, and Jeanne Warnock. It will be from one of the four senior princesses that the Prom Queen will be chosen.

Officers elected for next year's Pep club are president, Linda Lowry; vice president, Pam White; secretary-treasurer, Marcia Williams; uniform manager, Sue Brennan. Tryouts for next year's members were held Wednesday, and the results will be publicized by May 1.

Girls league officers for the 1959-60 school year were chosen last week. They are president, Linda Slessler, vice president, Bonnie Allingham; secretary, Karen Morlan; and treasurer, Toni Spence. Sue Moore was elected Girl of the Year.

Boys league officers are president, John Frohnmayer; vice president, Ray Konopasek; secretary, Jim Lacy; treasurer, Clint Steiger; and sergeant at arms, Skip Bennett.

Regular club meetings are also being conducted to finish out the year's business. The Future Teachers of America held their night meeting April 21. Reports were given by Mrs. Maxine Smith, state president of the Oregon Teachers association, Stephanie Anderson, president, and Jean Pietsch. Refreshments were served.

The annual spring art show was held in the boys' gym April 20-22. It had displays from all schools in Medford, including grade schools, junior highs, and the high school.

It consisted of many divisions such as lettering, poster designs, advertising, and industrial designs. There were many examples of painting and drawing expressions in color, and sculpturing in wood, plaster, wire, and clay.

Students have been asked not to meet for club or instrumental meetings in the high school at any time without the presence of a faculty adviser. This includes before, after school, and nights.

WHAT'S THAT?
Des Moines, Iowa - (UP) - Newsmen who asked Gov. Herschel C. Loveless whether he plans to run for the U.S. Senate today pondered his answer: "I have no reason to tell you I am not considering it, but again I have no reason to tell you I am."

Crater High School
By Darlene Tomlinson

Junior Alice Croxton was chosen to go to Girls state June 15-21. She will be sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary of Central Point.

At Girls State, she and the other delegates will become better acquainted with the state government procedures. Junior Kathy Straus was chosen as the alternate.

Two Future Teachers of America members and Geraldine White, the advisor, attended the regional FTA convention last weekend at Coos Bay. The members were Doris Owens, president, and Alice Croxton, vice president. Alice Croxton, vice president.

A blue ribbon was awarded the chapter for their scrapbook. Nineteen chapters participated.

The officers for Comettes for the year 1959-1960 are president, Patty Kime; first vice president, Rae Burritt; second vice president, Arlene McGowan; secretary, Connie Black; treasurer, Lea Taburnas; drill leader, Lynn Marlot; assistant drill leader, Judy Kimmey; and historian, Terri Turner.

Old library books were sold at 25 cents each to Crater students in the library during fifth period, April 23 and 24. If enough books are left, the sale will be continued on Monday, April 27.

The annual Future Farmers of America father-on banquet will be held Thursday, April 30. Future Homemakers of America will do the serving.

Local Physician Attends Meeting
Dr. Ray L. Casterline, Medford, recently participated in a meeting of the Oregon State Board of Medical Examiners in Portland. Dr. Casterline is a new member of the board.

Dr. George H. Lage, Portland, was elected president, and Dr. Jon V. Straumfjord, Astoria, was named secretary-treasurer of the group. Dr. David B. Judd, Eugene, is also a new member of the board. Holdover members are Dr. Max W. Hemingway of Bend and Dr. David E. Reid of Lebanon.

Licenses were issued to several physicians and surgeons and July 7 and 8 were announced as the next state board written examination dates. The board will hold its next meeting July 9, 10 and 11.

Portland - (UP) - Ken Harris, a junior from Milwaukie, has been elected student body president at the University of Portland for the coming year.

Hedrick Junior High
By Mike Gannon

The operetta, "The Fortune Teller," was presented by the vocal music department April 16 and 17. The production was directed by Carroll Graber, music director, and Jerry McDougall, dramatic director. The cast included Mike McCullough, Captain Ladislaus; Sandra Shugart, Irma; Kathy Allen, Mussette; Vicky Enders, Vaninka; Chuck McNair, Boris; Mike Gannon, Fresco; Fred Thompson, Sando; Tom Deakins, Count Berezowski; Harold Reed, Dennis Brumback and Mike Higgins, agents. DeEtta Lawson was assistant to the director.

The scenery and props were painted under the direction of Miss Catherine Fonken. They featured a chateau and a summer garden. The shop class made the flaps and backdrop with the help of George Cooksey.

The operetta, which is one of the most important events during the year, was well received by Hedrick students and faculty during the matinee. There was a full house at the evening performance. Afterwards there was a party for the chorus members and cast.

Ninth grade students took a full day of tests April 21. The tests will be used by high school counselors to schedule each student in high school.

The leads of the operetta were guests of McLoughlin Junior High student body to watch their operetta. On April 16 the leads of their operetta were the guests at the Hedrick matinee performance.

High school counselors registered ninth graders from Hedrick for their sophomore year at Medford high.

Eagle Point Pupils To Attend Festival

Eagle Point - Three students from Eagle Point High school will participate in the Music in Pacific festival May 7, 8 and 9 at Pacific university.

They are Susie Palm and Molly Gregg, members of the band, and Jaye MacDermot, a member of the chorus.

They will join some 550 young musicians from 91 Oregon and Washington schools. They will be trained by guest conductors for a 220-piece band, 100-piece orchestra, and a 230-voice chorus.

LaMar K. Jensen, director of bands at Klamath Falls public schools, will direct the band, and Leonard Moore, founder of the Seattle Chorale, will direct the choral group.

Japan Airlines Expands Service

Washington - (UP) - The civil aeronautics board, with President Eisenhower's approval, today authorized Japan Airlines to open service to Los Angeles and Seattle.

The carrier now flies only to San Francisco via Wake Island and Honolulu.

The CAB said the airline's request for expanded service was recommended by all five board members and was approved by Eisenhower Wednesday.

San Francisco will continue as a terminal point.

The carrier was authorized to serve Los Angeles as an alternate terminal point on

flights from Japan via Honolulu.

The CAB order indicated that the carrier, on flights to Seattle, would be allowed to make service stops in Alaska but could not pick up or discharge passengers.

Ginger ale is said to have been invented in Belfast, Northern Ireland, in 1825.

SCOTCH IS POPULAR
Paris - (UP) - Scotch whisky is going to make inroads in the wine-drinking habits of Frenchmen during the coming fiscal year, informed sources said yesterday. Under a new agreement, French imports of scotch are expected to jump to as much as \$980,000 worth this year.

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