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# Child, 3, Killed In Blazing House As Baby Rescued

Martin Elwood Jackson, 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson, was killed in a fire shortly after noon yesterday at 718 Grant st., Medford police and firemen reported.

Firemen said the whole house suffered heat and smoke damage. Downstairs, the hall where the stove was located, two bedrooms, the back porch and the stairway were damaged by flames, an official reported.

Police said Mrs. Jackson carried her 2-month-old son John Henry, wrapped in blankets, to safety but was stopped by heat and smoke from re-entering the blazing house. She was treated later for superficial burns to her hands and feet, according to the report.

The other children who escaped were listed as George, 9, Paul, 6, and Judy, 6. Mrs. Jackson was reportedly treated for her injuries at Sacred Heart hospital and later released. She was also suffering from shock, officials said.

Mrs. Jackson told investigators she was trying to light a fire in a downstairs wood stove because Martin had complained of feeling cold. She reportedly said she added some gasoline to the paper and kindling, and suddenly the stove blew up.

Her three other children reportedly ran away from the house unaided. Her husband, a truck driver, was away at the time.

Police said the Jacksons were staying at the home of Mrs. Clara Isabel McKee, identified by other sources as Mrs. Jackson's mother-in-law. Mrs. McKee was not at home when the fire occurred.

Damage 'Considerable' Firemen described the damage to the one-and-a-half story frame dwelling as "considerable."

Mrs. Jackson told police she thought she saw Martin running toward a bathroom after the fire began. The boy's charred body was discovered at the foot of a stairway leading to the second floor, police said.

Mrs. Jackson said she carried the baby to safety, then tried to break a window to get back into the house. She said she then called for help.

Dan Newland, a next-door neighbor, broke a window in the front door but also was forced back by the heat and smoke, police said.

Two fire trucks answered an alarm, but firemen were unable to save young Martin.

# Herter Asks Red Honesty

Washington (UPI)—Secretary of State Christian A. Herter yesterday challenged the Soviet Union to "honest" negotiations at the forthcoming Geneva conference to settle the Berlin and German problems and ease European tensions.

The secretary returned from a Paris meeting of the western foreign ministers and flew by helicopter to Gettysburg to report to President Eisenhower on the "complete agreement" the allies reached on a "package proposal" to be handed Russia at the East-West talks beginning May 11.

Presidential Press Secretary James C. Hagerty reported that Herter described the Paris meeting to prepare for the Geneva show-down as "very successful." The President talked with Herter for 75 minutes on the glassed-in sun porch of his farm home.

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The secretary said that he and the foreign ministers of Britain, France and West Germany settled "every detail which came up" in working out their generalized plan for German reunification plus related measures dealing with the status of Berlin and arms.

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# Negro Coed Seized, Raped By Four Whites

Police Say Youths Admit Assaulting Her

Tallahassee, Fla. (UPI)—A slender Negro university coed was seized by four white youths early yesterday and was raped repeatedly before she was rescued, lying bound, gagged and hysterical in the back seat of their car.

A deputy sheriff rescued the half-nude girl and captured the four youths after a wild, high-speed chase on the outskirts of Tallahassee. A special police investigator said the four boys admitted taking turns raping the girl.

"They all admitted it," the investigator said. "They didn't say why they did it and that's all I'm going to say about this filthy mess."

Dr. R. L. Anderson, examining physician, said there was "no question about the girl being raped. She definitely was raped."

Forcing Couples The youths were accused of forcing two young Negro couples from a parked car and of attempting to force both girls, aged 19 and 18, into their parked car apparently for intimacies.

The younger girl broke away, fled and hid in terror while the white youths frightened their male companions away with an automatic shotgun and a switch-blade knife.

The Negroes had been at a college dance which broke up shortly before they were accosted at 1:30 a.m. at a lonely spot on the campus.

The 19-year-old girl told of being gagged with a diaper to prevent her screams and of being assaulted after her hands were bound behind her with a belt.

Bound and Gagged Her clothes were ripped and she was lying bound and gagged on the floor when Deputy Sheriff Joe Cooke stopped the suspects' car and rescued the girl at gunpoint.

Authorities held the four youths without bond and prepared to file abduction and rape charges. One was only 16 years old.

The older suspects were identified as William Ted Collingsworth, 24, a telephone company lineman; David I. Beagles, 18, and Pat Scarborough, 20, a serviceman stationed at Ft. Fisher, N. C. All live in Tallahassee.

Florida law prescribes death in the electric chair as the maximum penalty for rape.

Other Cases A week ago yesterday Negro Mack Charles Parker, 23, accused of raping a young Petal, Miss., white woman, was seized from an unguarded jail at Poplarville, Miss., by a lynch mob.

At Quitman, Ga., a young white woman was raped on the banks of a fish pond by a Negro youth. A young Negro suspect surrendered to the sheriff while a posse of 50 men searched for him. He was cleared the next day and another Negro suspect has been held in an undisclosed jail.

Yesterday at Reddell, La., a 34-year-old white woman was raped and slain in a grocery store which she operates. A 20-year-old Negro, O. L. Rogers, arrested in connection with the crime, was whisked to a jail at Alexandria, La., 60 miles away for safekeeping.

# The Supreme Commands



# Subdivision Control For County Ordered

The Jackson county court passed the revised subdivision ordinance Friday afternoon as presented by the county planning commission. It became effective immediately.

Judge Earl Miller reported that the county court both individually and collectively had made a study of the ordinance. The court believed that in order for the county to have an orderly development and growth, a subdivision ordinance of this category is required at this time, he stated.

"It is the court's opinion," Miller continued, "after this study that the ordinance contains nothing that would be detrimental to anyone wishing to subdivide in the county."

"It is the court's belief that with this ordinance enacted, it gives protection to all future property buyers. We also agree that should anything develop in the future that is not foreseen by us in using this ordinance, the court would be happy to recognize and make any corrections that might be injurious to any individual or retard the progress of the county."

The proposed subdivision ordinance was referred to the county court March 11 following a public hearing by the planning commission. The court itself held a public hearing on the ordinance April 16.

An opinion on the ordinance, written by the district attorney's office April 13, stated that it did not have to be placed before the voters. It was explained that a zoning ordinance, according to law, must be put up for public vote while a subdivision ordinance need not be.

The subdivision ordinance sets up an orderly plan for division of property of five acres or less which would be sold for building purposes.

The 15-nation NATO council put the final seal on the weeks of high-level consultations after hearing a report by French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville. It voted unanimous approval of the strategy formulated Wednesday and Thursday by the Western Foreign Ministers to meet Soviet threats to Berlin and the rest of Europe.

Panama Jails Invader Group Panama City (UPI)—Eighty-five men and a sloe-eyed girl who came from Cuba to conquer Panama were clapped in jail yesterday and the national guard went into the jungle after other rebels who chose flight rather than unconditional surrender.

Panamanian women, including the widow of the late President Jose Remon, paraded before the foreign office and the palace of President Ernesto de la Guardia Jr. in a demonstration against the invasion plot that fizzled. They demanded that the government refuse to grant safe conduct into exile for invasion leader Roberto (Tito) Arias, who is in asylum at the Brazilian embassy.

Mother of Parker Reported Threatened Poplarville, Miss. (UPI)—The mother of kidnapped rape suspect Charles Parker has received threats against her life and the FBI has been asked to protect her, Negro leaders report.

The woman, Mrs. Eliza Parker, was to address a Negro rally protesting her son's abduction from jail here a week ago, but failed to show up after being threatened, they said.

# Medford District Budget Approved By School Board

Hearing on Proposal Scheduled for May 22

A proposed budget totaling \$3,739,166.29 was approved by the Medford school board Friday.

The total includes \$3,395,370.60 for the general operating fund, and \$343,795.69 for the sinking fund and bond interest.

A public hearing on the proposed budget will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, May 22. Tentative date for an election on the amount which exceeds the 6 per cent limitation is June 9. Definite date for the election will be set at the public hearing, school board officials noted.

Estimated receipts and available cash balances for next fiscal year total \$1,192,266, leaving \$2,546,900.29 necessary to balance the budget. Dr. D. Kirkland West, chairman of the budget committee, said. Included in the latter figure is the amount for the sinking fund and bond interest.

The estimated amount of taxes which will not be collected, including rebate on taxes, is \$144,949.42, making a total of \$2,691,849.71 estimated tax levies for next fiscal year, Dr. West said.

Of the \$2,691,849.71 which will have to be raised by taxes, \$510,532.89 is within the 6 per cent limitation of the tax base. Another \$378,175.26 is bond principal and interest, and is not affected by the 6 per cent limitation, Dr. West pointed out.

The amount outside the 6 per cent limitation, and the amount upon which district patrons will vote in the election, is \$1,803,141.56.

He said the proposed budget was cut \$141,795.57 after budget committee members and school officials reviewed and reported on the preliminary budget.

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# Castro Urges U. S. Latin Aid

Buenos Aires, Argentina (UPI)—Cuban Premier Fidel Castro said yesterday that the United States, which has poured billions of dollars into other areas of the world, now must heed Latin America's needs for \$6 billion for industrial development.

He told delegates to the committee of 21—the economic branch of the Organization of American States—there never would be political stability in Latin America as long as underdevelopment meant poverty for its peoples.

Castro spoke for 80 minutes without notes to the meeting of economic experts from the United States and the 20 Latin American countries. His speech was frequently interrupted by applause and cheers.

Castro said he realized the burden being borne by the American taxpayers but said "they sacrificed themselves for Europe and the far off countries of the Middle East."

"Surely they will sacrifice a little for the peoples of their own hemisphere."

Several speakers from various conservation fields will be available during the week for organizations, Gribble said. Interested groups may contact Gribble for speaker arrangements.

# Joint Conference Committee Seeks Accord on Taxing

# Levy and Directors On Monday's Ballot

Voters in Jackson county school districts tomorrow will vote on increasing the tax levy of the rural school district, elect directors for the rural school board and choose board members in other districts.

Polis throughout the county will be opened between 2 and 8 p.m. Rural school district voters will decide on a proposal to increase the tax levy for the fiscal year starting July 1. The total levy of the rural school district is \$2,206,608.35. The tax basis is \$1,770,120.93, which is the amount the rural board can levy without a vote of the people.

The amount to be voted on, in excess of the 6 per cent limitation, is \$436,485.42. Two directors-at-large will be elected to the rural school board. Ben T. Lombard, Ashland, an incumbent, is a candidate for a three-year term, and Sam Harkison, Medford attorney, is a candidate for a two-year term. Both are unopposed.

One director will be elected by write-in vote for a rural board member from Zone 4, according to Alf B. Mekvold, county school superintendent. Since consolidation of Jacksonville, Griffin Creek and Ruch districts with Medford, Zone 4 of the rural school district is now composed of Phoenix and Applegate districts, he noted.

Incumbent Glenn W. Smith, Zone 4, lives in Ruch, and is not now eligible to represent Zone 4 since Ruch is now a part of the Medford district. Ernest James, superintendent of Phoenix school district, said Saturday that Mrs. Jeanette P. Grove of Phoenix, a former rural school board member, has consented to accept the position if her name is written in on the ballots.

Mekvold pointed out that if no one is elected by write-in vote for the Zone 4 representative, the rural board must appoint a member to fill the vacancy until the next annual school election.

Board members in individual districts will be elected tomorrow also. Candidates are: Medford, Frank C. Bash, incumbent; Ashland, Howard Wiley and Dave Fortmiller, both unopposed incumbents for five and four-year terms; District 6C (Central Point, Gold Hill and Sams Valley), Wilson White; Eagle Point, Darrell Stanley, incumbent; Talent, Bruce Cyper and Sam Jones; Prospect, Frank Boothby, incumbent; Evans Valley, James H. Martin, present board chairman, and William J. Johnston; Rogue River, Dr. Cedric Rambo and Dale Hatch; Butte Falls, Ted Fredenberg and Charles Ferguson; and Phoenix, Allen Harris, incumbent, and Dr. M. Donald McGeary.

Centennial mail was en route to Ashland by pony express yesterday after a rough start. Jake Herten, black-bearded modern pony express rider, tried a fast getaway from the Centennial grounds in north Portland Friday and fell off his horse. He leaped back in the saddle and was off and running.

Hundreds of horses are involved in the run, which was due in Ashland Saturday night. State police had no word of when to expect the run.

Another run will go from Astoria to Ontario. This one will take about two weeks. The letters will be turned over to the Post Office for delivery to points outside of Oregon after their pony rides.

Phoenix grade school; Ashland Junior High school gymnasium; Central Point Junior High, Hanby school in Gold Hill and Sams Valley school, all in District 6C; Eagle Point High school, Shady Cove school, and Elk-Trail school, all in District 3; Talent grade school; Rogue River High school; Applegate grade school; Prospect High school; Evans Valley school; Butte Falls High school, Pinehurst school, and in District 649C, at Jacksonville High school, Griffin Creek school, Ruch school, Lone Pine school, Howard school, and Hedrick and McLoughlin Junior High schools.

Yreka Crash Kills Baby, Hurts Nine Yreka, Calif. (UPI)—A baby girl was killed and nine other persons injured Friday night in a head-on collision on Highway 99 near here.

Dead was Fern Peterson, eight-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Peterson, San Pablo, Peterson, 33, his wife, Margaret, 29, and four of their other children were injured.

Peterson's car struck one driven by Carl D. Williams, 16, Hornbrook. The youth, his father, Carl, Sr., 36, and Mrs. Vida Williams, 31, were injured in that car.

# House, Senate Quit Meanwhile Until Tomorrow

Barton Confident Of Compromise Salem (UPI)—A conference committee met at 7:30 p.m. last night to try to reach agreement on some of the major tax issues facing the Oregon legislature.

Both the House and Senate recessed yesterday afternoon until Monday.

The Senate yesterday reconsidered and passed the major income tax bill 18-11 with Sens. C. D. Cameron (R-Grants Pass) and Robert White (R-Salem) switching to the eye side along with Democratic Sen. Dwight Hopkins (D-Imbler).

Rep. Clarence Barton (D-Couquille), one of the House conferees on the tax program, expressed confidence late yesterday that some kind of agreement would come out of the joint House-Senate conference committee by Monday when the legislature reconvenes.

Barton said a tacit agreement had been reached whereby there would be no sales tax this session.

A conference committee on the tax problem was appointed when the House failed to concur with Senate amendments to the tax bill which would have retained the current income tax schedule but reduced dependency credits \$100 to raise more money.

House Speaker Robert Duncan appointed Barton, chairman of the House tax committee, and Rep. Fayette Bristol (R-Grant Pass), a tax committee member, to study the tax differences with Senate conferees during the week end. Senators on the conference committee are Ward Cook (D-Portland) and Ben Musa (D-The Dalles).

Cook was the only member of the Senate who spoke on the bill yesterday.

"This is the only revenue bill in the Legislature to work with," he said. "If you defeat this bill today it will be necessary for the House Tax committee to draft a new revenue bill. That would mean more delay in closing up this session."

Klamath Officials Shaken in Crash Oregon City (UPI)—The car of two Klamath Falls school officials spun out of control near here Friday and both men escaped serious injury.

In the car were Charles McLin, Klamath Falls elementary school principal, and Gary Robertson, assistant superintendent of Klamath Falls schools.

The car went out of control on Teiford road and went over a 150-foot embankment. Both men were shaken but neither was badly hurt.

Morse Censure Effort Fizzling Washington (UPI)—Sen. Homer E. Capehart's threat to seek censure of Sen. Wayne L. Morse for his tactics in the Clare Booth Luce fiasco appeared to be fizzling out yesterday for lack of support.

However, bitterness generated by the sometimes bizarre verbal fight over confirming the former playwright-actress as ambassador to Brazil may leave its mark for a long time to come.