



**FEAST OF THE TRIBE**—Twelve hundred people gathered in Ashland's Lithia park Tuesday night for the annual "Feast of the Tribe of Will" to open the Oregon Shakespearean Festival season. Following the banquet a capacity crowd—jammed the new \$275,000

Elizabethan theater for the premiere performance of "The Masque of the New World" and "Twelfth Night." The Masque, an original production, salutes the Oregon Centennial and will prologue each "Twelfth Night" performance during the 40 night season which closes Sept. 5. —(Smith photos)



**ET TU, GOVERNOR**—Oregon's Gov. Mark Hatfield and Mrs. Hatfield were among first nighters launching the Oregon Shakespearean Festival's 1959 season Tuesday night. Shown (left to right) at the Lithia park

### County Judge Presents Station To State Board

The Southern Oregon Branch Experiment Station (Hanley Research Farm) was presented by County Judge Earl Miller yesterday afternoon to the state board of higher education.

The ceremony marked a high point in the life of the old farm, which had been in the Hanley family for more than 100 years. Purchased by the county last year, the farm—now an experimental station—will be in the hands of the state board for as long as it is used for agricultural research to assist the local economy.

Accepting the physical assets of the station in behalf of the board was Vice Chairman J. W. Forrester Jr., of Pendleton. Also on hand were Chancellor John E. Richards, Dean of the School of Agriculture Earl Price, and President A. L. Strand, all of Oregon State college, and other members of the state board of higher education.

Harold White, superintendent of the experiment station, unveiled a commemorative plaque during the ceremony.

A tour of the 80-acre experimental farm, conducted by John Yungen, an agronomist at the station, preceded the presentation of the farm to the state.

County Commissioners Chester Wendt and Ralph James made brief addresses.

### Forest Fire Near Cave Junction

Grants Pass—Some 80 men were fighting this morning to contain a 450 to 500-acre fire south of Cave Junction, the state department of forestry office here reported.

The blaze in brush and some small timber was touched off when the Earl Shrier garage and shop burned to the ground early yesterday afternoon.

Fire fighters had the blaze trailed today and felt that, if they could hold it until noon, they could keep it contained. They feared, however, that wind might cause the fire to spread.

The fire, four to five miles south of Cave Junction and east of Highway 199, was described as more than two miles long, but narrow. It was reported by a lookout about 1:30 p.m.

Two emergency crews, 40 men from Forest Grove and 20 from Camas Valley, were among those battling the blaze. Personnel also included an "overhead" fire team of 10 men and 8 to 10 employees of the southwest district of the forestry department. Four tractors and drivers supplied by logging operators were on the fire at one time.

# Nixon Acquits Himself On Tour, Ike Claims

## Three Men Ask Vice President Questions on U.S.

Sverdlovsk, U.S.S.R. — (UPI) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon flew into this industrial city of the Urals today after another of his rough and tumble debates with Russian hecklers.

His greeting here was warm and friendly, as it was on arrival and departure from the western Siberia city of Novosibirsk. But the warmth ran somewhat cold when Nixon was subjected to some tough give-and-take by three men in Novosibirsk before he left there this morning.

The three men identified themselves as workers, but their technique and questions reflected the well-indoctrinated Communist party adherent.

The first and most vigorous exchange came when Nixon visited the dam on the Ob river. There, he took on Grigori Fedorovich Belausov, 30, who identified himself as an electrician at the Novosibirsk hydro-electric station.

Belausov challenged American foreign policy, demanded to know why the United States had military bases in many countries outside its borders.

Nixon gave as good as he took. He told Belausov that he had discussed the question of U. S. military bases with Premier Nikita Khrushchev last Sunday, challenged the Russian about Soviet domination of the East-European satellites, and invited him to listen to a Nixon speech from Moscow Saturday as well as western broadcasts from abroad in order to get information from both sides on current cold war issues.

The vice president ran into a second questioner, this time a milder one named Antoli A. Chertgov, a senior engineer, when he went inside the brick hydro-electric plant.

When Chertgov asked Nixon why the United States and Russia could not agree on ending nuclear tests, the vice president told him it took two to make a bargain and that he was doing more than just signing another piece of paper. He said tests would cease when there was agreement on complete inspection.

When Chertgov started on the military bases issue, Nixon promptly ended the debate by saying he already had discussed that with Belausov.

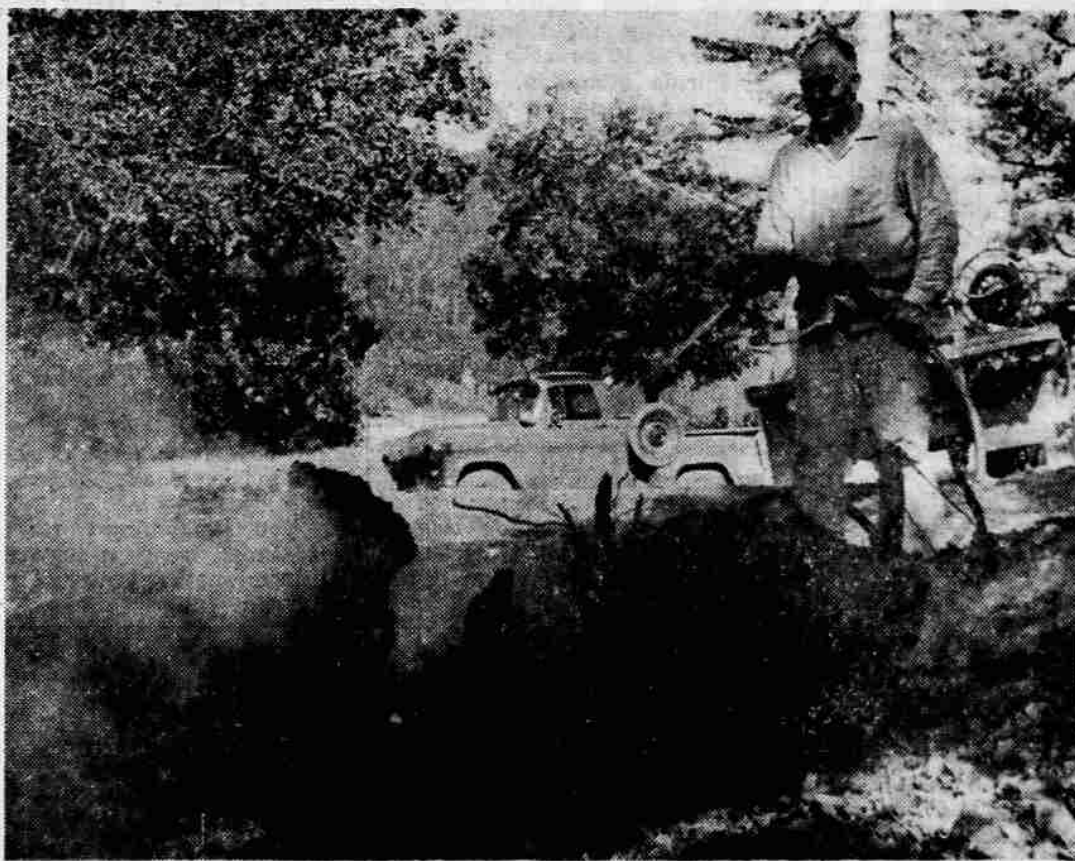
The third heckler was a short, red-faced man introduced to Nixon as a bricklayer. The bricklayer asked if Nixon really was for peace.

He told Nixon he had lost his brother and father in World War II against Nazi Germany. He said, therefore, he was against U. S. policy of rearming West Germany with new weapons.

### John Kennedy to Visit Centennial

Portland — (UPI) — Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.), a possible candidate for president next year, will pay a two and one-half hour visit to the Oregon Centennial Saturday afternoon.

Kennedy will tour the grounds and be on hand at the Democratic booth.



**MOPPING UP**—Firefighter Donald Marx of Hornbrook reached the mopping up stage. Flames this week swept an estimated 2,800 acres of dry brushland with abandoned gold mine shafts and second-growth timber battle against the Sulphur Ranch blaze near land.

## Miner Arrested For Causing Fire In Hornbrook Area

Hornbrook, Calif.—The 2,800-acre Sulphur Ranch fire west of Hornbrook was controlled by fire fighters at 8 a.m. today, California state forestry personnel reported.

The total burned area was less than the 3,200 acres estimated at the height of the blaze yesterday because a great deal of unburned land lay within the fire boundaries.

A California state forestry investigator Tuesday cited a 76-year-old miner, Charles C. Smith, on two counts for starting the fire. He pleaded guilty in Hills justice of the peace court to burning without a permit and to allowing a fire to escape to the lands of others. He received a six-month suspended sentence to the county jail on each charge and was placed on three year's probation.

Smith, whose hands were badly burned, was treated at Siskiyou County General hospital.

Favorable Weather

Foresters hope that favorable weather will permit mopping up by fire fighting crews, now reduced some 500 men from the 1,000 at work yesterday.

Siskiyou County District Forest Ranger A. Roy Bangard explained that the line around the fire area held yesterday through the critical period with the aid of seven air tankers dropping borate solution on the hot spots allowing ground crews to work in close.

Bangard and Fire Control Officer R. A. James of the U.S. forest service called attention to the fact that the fire had escaped from an experienced woodsman, indicating the seriousness of the dry, explosive conditions in the woods.

Smith was burning grass on his mining claim four miles south of Hills Monday afternoon when the fire got out of control. Smith is a pensioner who has spent the greater part of his life in the woods and mines.

The fire has cost California and the federal government between \$40,000 and \$50,000 in fire suppression costs, plus damage to young timber and grazing lands.

## Queen of Jubilee Selection Tonight

Jacksonville — The queen who will reign over the Jacksonville Gold Rush Jubilee will be announced tonight at a dance beginning at 9 o'clock in the Community hall.

Dick Spain's band will perform and the public is invited.

## Committee Favors Single District for Ashland, Pinehurst

The Jackson County School District Reorganization committee Tuesday night reaffirmed its position in favor of reorganization of the Ashland and Pinehurst school districts into one unit.

Committee Chairman Keith Hockersmith reported today that the group made the decision "after considering information gathered at hearings in Pinehurst and Ashland."

Residents of Pinehurst's non-high school district have protested the proposed reorganization and expressed the wish to keep their elementary school and the district's present status.

## City Council Plans Meeting Thursday

An ordinance to provide for trial by jury in municipal court will be discussed by the Medford city council at a special meeting Thursday in city hall.

An act passed by the 1959 Oregon legislature requires that all municipal courts make jury trials available by Aug. 1. No funds for such trials were included in the current Medford budget.

Also on the council agenda are plans for alteration of prior service base for retired city employees; deed of certain property to the school district at West Jackson st. park site, and consideration of bids for demolition of the Western Auto building where Eighth st. will be extended east.

## Marcus Norton Files Delegate Candidacy

Mascus E. (Red) Norton, Jackson county lumberman, announced his intention this week of filing for candidacy as a delegate to the national Democratic convention in 1960.

If elected, Norton would represent the 4th congressional district in Oregon.

A resident of Phoenix, Norton has been campaign manager for Rep. Charles Porter in Jackson county and is a central committeeman for the county Democratic organization.

## WEATHER

FORECAST: Fair, dry and warmer through Thursday. Low tonight 51. High Thursday 95.

Highest Yesterday 77  
Lowest this Morning 49

## Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 7:36 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 5:01 a.m.  
Moonrise tomorrow 1:01 a.m.  
New Moon Aug. 4

PROMINENT STAR  
Aldebaran, near the Moon.  
Venus, low in west 8:28 p.m.  
Saturn, due south 9:49 p.m.  
Jupiter, low in south-west 10:05 p.m.

## President Says Time Will Tell About Tensions

Washington — (UPI) — President Eisenhower said today Vice President Richard M. Nixon has acquitted himself splendidly on his tour of the Soviet Union but that only time will tell whether tensions will be reduced as a result of the visit.

Eisenhower said Nixon was not authorized to invite Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev to visit this country. He ducked a question as to whether a Khrushchev visit could result from Nixon's trip.

Reporters accompanying Nixon on the trip have written that they considered it almost certain the vice president would suggest a visit to the United States by Khrushchev when Nixon returns to Washington. There has been no official announcement of this however.

On other aspects of Soviet-American affairs, the President said he is not ready to say that the Geneva Foreign Ministers Conference should end because of a stalemate between the East and West. But he volunteered that there still has not been progress that would justify a summit conference.

Recess If Necessary

Eisenhower made it clear he believes the Geneva conference should be recessed, if necessary, to permit Secretary of State Christian A. Herter to attend a meeting beginning Aug. 12 in Santiago, Chile, of the foreign ministers of this hemisphere.

The President said he believes all could agree that Nixon has acquitted himself splendidly on the Soviet trip. He said this is what you would expect from a man in such a high office of government.

One thing that is clear from the reception that Nixon has had so far, Eisenhower said, is that the Russian people continue to have a warm feeling for Americans.

As to the reports that a Khrushchev visit was being considered by the Nixon group in the Soviet Union, the President said that this was a subject that has been bandied back and forth for a long time and will be talked about a lot in the future.

## Queen Elizabeth, Freighter Collide

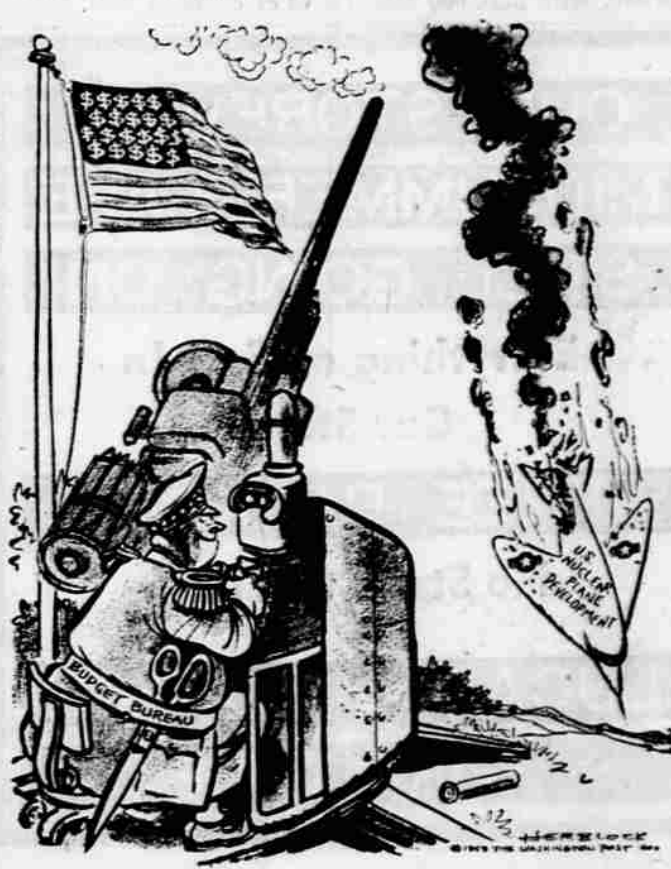
New York — (UPI) — The Cunard liner Queen Elizabeth with 1,970 passengers aboard collided with a freighter outside New York harbor today.

Neither ship was in apparent danger, the Coast Guard said. No injuries were reported in the collision, the Coast Guard said.

The Coast Guard said both ships dropped anchor after the collision, but that the Elizabeth, world's largest passenger vessel, was returning to its dock with the aid of a tug.

Both ships reported Coast Guard assistance was needed.

## Latest Victory In The Battle Of The Budget



# \$275,000 Elizabethan Theater Center of First Night Events

By ERIC W. ALLEN JR., Managing Editor, Mail Tribune

Ashland—About 1,200 people welcomed Queen Elizabeth I back to Ashland last night.

The occasion was the opening of the 19th season of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association. And agreement was widespread that the event began auspiciously.

Incongruities blended into a wholly satisfying evening. There were half-chickens prepared by the Oregon Broiler Commission and served by the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce. There were kilted pipers, drummers and dancers.

There was Oregon officialdom in the persons of Gov. Mark O. Hatfield and Secretary of State Howell Appling. There was higher education in the persons of the presidents of four universities and colleges, a chancellor and a former chancellor of higher education, and in members of the state board of education.

There were costumed players and dancers and musicians. There were business suits and sport shirts and warm outing caps.

**New Theater**

Rising over all was the huge, almost overwhelming but graceful bulk of the new \$275,000 Elizabethan theater, a technical and architectural marvel which, as it is designed to do, vanished into unnoted background when the brightly costumed players took the stage.

Tying the incongruities together, and making sense of them, was a serio-comic "Masque of the New World," in which the long reach of history was stretched from Elizabeth's court in Renaissance London to Ashland, Ore., in July, 1959.

The Centennial season of the festival opened at 6 o'clock on the greensward of Lithia park in the now-traditional pre-opening banquet, "Feast of the Tribe of Will," where an overflow attendance ate broiled chicken, corn, potatoes, salad, rolls and ice cream, washed down with coffee, milk or beer.

### ACCEPTS DEED

The county court this morning accepted a deed from the Shady Cove Grange for a parcel of land on Long Branch rd. near Shady Cove. A road improvement, including the straightening of a sharp curve, is planned on the property.

There were many standees on the adjacent hillside, attracted by the singing and dancing of the entertainers. Some diners found it easier to eat on the ground, picnic style than to find places at the crowded tables.

At 8 o'clock, the Ashland Kiltie band led the way up the path to the new theater, where the crowd milled and talked and looked over the innovations on the grounds until curtain time, slightly after 8:30.

New seats, a new arrangement of the audience area, rearrangement of the rear of the theater shell including new souvenir booths, and the removal of the obstructing light poles in the seating section are among the changes patrons noted.

But the stage itself, rising 3½ stories tall, and providing technical and artistic effects never before possible, was the principal topic of discussion. It was modeled after the Fortune theater of Shakespeare's London, and was built with money donated by theater patrons in all parts of the United States.

**Building Designer**

Jack Hay, long-time technical director of the Festival, designed the building, in cooperation with Medford Architect Jack Edson. Frank Fairweather was the builder.

Archie Fries, president of the Festival association, presided at the brief opening ceremonies, introducing Presidents O. Meredith Wilson of the University of Oregon, A. L. Strand of Oregon State college, Elmo Stevenson of Southern Oregon college, and Frank Bennett of Eastern Oregon college.

Dr. John Richards and Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor and former chancellor, respectively, of the state system of higher education, also were introduced, as were the Secretary of State Appling, Mr. and Mrs. James Marino (she was "Queen for a Day"), and Miss Ginger Rogers, of the Rogue Valley, Hollywood and New York, and her mother.

**Prolonged Applause**

Most prolonged applause, however, went to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. Carpenter of Medford, for many years patrons of the festival, donors of scholarships, hosts to the company, and co-chairman of last winter's fund-raising drive.

As in past years, the audience included a class from Crater High school in Central Point. This year a troop of

Girl Scouts from Palo Alto, Calif., also attended in a uniformed group.

Governor Hatfield made the brief dedicatory address.

The Centennial year, he said, is a time to review the past and to plan for the future. And he emphasized that cultural events such as the festival do much to improve the prosperity, livelihood and happiness of the people of Oregon.

The festival he designated as one of the state's outstanding events, and he said that it is most appropriate, this Centennial year, not only to pay tribute to the new theater, now a reality, but to the vision, the challenge, and the willingness to meet the challenge, of people associated with it.

**Behalf of Oregonians**

"I dedicate this theater," he said, "on behalf of Oregonians and the people of the world, to the patrons of years past, and to those who this year made this theater what it is."

"I wish well to the actors, whose careers are beginning, or which will be enhanced, this year," the governor concluded.

Then the "Masque" was presented, followed by the first of the four plays being given in repertory, "Twelfth Night." Tomorrow it will be "Measure for Measure," and Friday, "Antony and Cleopatra." Curtain time is 8:30 p.m.

A review of the "Masque" and "Twelfth Night" appear on page 3 of today's Mail Tribune.

## House Committee Approves Plan for Bonds to Meet Highway Financing

Washington — (UPI) — The House Ways and Means committee today approved a plan to float a billion dollars worth of bonds to meet the federal highway financing crisis.

The proposal would be linked with a stretch-out in construction of the 41,000-mile interstate super-highway network. This stretch-out would be felt by the states beginning with the apportionment of federal money for the year starting July 1, 1960.

The Eisenhower administration is opposed to the issuance of bonds as a solution to the financing muddle. It has urged instead that Congress hike the federal gasoline tax from 3 cents a gallon to 4½ cents. The committee Tuesday

rejected the tax increase approach.

It was reported to have voted 15-10 at today's closed door session to approve the bond issue plan, which was advanced by Rep. Frank Icard (D-Tex.).

The proposal would authorize the issuance of up to one billion dollars worth of revenue bonds against the assets of the highway trust fund. The bonds would be repaid within five years.

To beef up the highway trust fund so that the bonds can be repaid, one-fifth of the receipts from the existing 10 per cent excise tax on new automobiles would be shifted from the treasury's general fund to the highway fund for

four years, beginning July 1, 1961.

This diversion scheme, also criticized by the administration, would bring in an estimated 250 million dollars a year for a total of a billion dollars in four years.

The proposal contemplates a stretch-out in the construction program, now scheduled to be completed by 1972, to four years after that date.

There would be deep cuts in the amounts to be allocated to the states to get the program over the financing hump. These changes would have to be made through separate legislation, originating with the House Public Works committee.