

Union Has No Plans To Renew Steel Talks

Chessman Lawyer Asks Commutation

Governor Hears Bid To Change Life Sentence

Convicted Man Wants Vindication

Sacramento, Calif. — (UPI) — An attorney for convicted author Caryl Chessman, pleaded with Gov. Edmund G. Brown today to commute the kidnaper's death sentence to life in prison even though the doomed man was quoted as saying he preferred execution to life behind bars.

Attorney George T. Davis, San Francisco, admitted he was appearing at the clemency hearing before the governor without Chessman's approval.

"Does Chessman know you're here?" Brown asked. "He wrote me saying he did not want a commutation... he wanted vindication or death."

Discussed at Length

"That's right," Davis said. "I discussed it with him at length Wednesday at San Quentin prison and he doesn't want life without parole." "But I am asking you to commute his sentence to life in prison even though he knows Chessman feels life without parole is more onerous than death," Davis said.

"The fact that he doesn't want a commutation does have some effect on my thinking," Brown said.

The attorney argued that the fundamental reason Chessman's sentence should be commuted was because his was a case where the death sentence was handed down although Chessman had not taken a human life.

Brown promised he would render his decision by Monday and give Chessman's three attorneys a chance to make another last-ditch appeal to the U.S. Supreme court.

Convinced of Guilt

At the start of the hearing, the governor said he was convinced the kidnaper was guilty of all the crimes for which he was convicted.

Brown said the only question in his mind was:

"From society's viewpoint, why should I act?"

"I am only interested in whether I should recommend a commutation of sentence to the state Supreme Court, whether he should be given life imprisonment without possibility of parole."

Chessman has fought off his execution date for 11 years and his case has aroused worldwide debate between those who believe capital punishment should be abolished and those who believe it is right for the state to take the life of a criminal.

Brownsboro Bridge to Open This Saturday

The bridge at Brownsboro will be opened to traffic Saturday, County Engineer Paul Rynning said today.

The bridge made of precast timbers was erected by county crews in two weeks.

The completion of hand railings and other items of the superstructure will be next week, Rynning said.

Smorgasbord Benefits Medford High Band Fund

About 3,000 secondary school students in the Medford district were expected to participate in a Medford High school band-benefit smorgasbord at the Groceria parking lot this noon.

The smorgasbord is being sponsored by the Southern Oregon Salesmen's club, which is providing and preparing food.

Cafeterias at Medford High and Hedrick and McLoughlin Junior highs were closed, school officials said, adding that a variety of hot dishes were available at the smorgasbord for the same price as at the school cafeterias.

For students who take their lunches, milk and ice cream were available at the schools.

Four serving lines were set up in the Pythian hall at



ERROL FLYNN
Dashing Film Career Ends

Errol Flynn Dies In Vancouver, B.C.

Vancouver, B.C. — (UPI) — A coroner ruled tentatively today that actor Errol Flynn, 50, died from a heart attack and said there would be no inquest.

Vancouver, B.C. — (UPI) — A coroner viewed the body of actor Errol Flynn today to decide whether the hero of swashbuckling roles on and off the screen died of a heart attack or other causes.

Flynn, 50, died Wednesday night in a doctor's apartment about two hours after complaining of pains in his back. "I think I might lie down," the movie star told Dr. Grant Gould and a group of friends, including Flynn's "protégé," Beverly Aadland, 17. "But I shall return." They were his last words.

He entered a bedroom and died minutes later despite the efforts of Gould, a fire department paramedic, and a nurse who worked on him for nearly an hour, and Vancouver businessman George Caldwell, who tried unsuccessfully to revive him with mouth-to-mouth respiration before the paramedic arrived.

Circumstances of his death indicated he succumbed to a heart attack. The Vancouver police coroner, Dr. Glen McDonald, ordered the actor's body left overnight in the Vancouver General hospital where it was taken shortly after he died. McDonald was to decide later today whether an inquest or autopsy would be necessary.

Flynn collapsed onto the floor soon after he entered the doctor's bedroom to rest. He had gone to the doctor's after starting for the airport to board a plane for Hollywood. He had spent a week here negotiating the sale of

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him to the end. She rode beside the driver when his body was taken by ambulance from the apartment to the hospital. She was reported "deeply shocked" today.

Flynn, accompanied by Caldwell and Miss Aadland, called at Dr. Gould's apartment early in the evening asking the doctor to check his condition before leaving here for Los Angeles.

He was born June 20, 1909 in Hobart, Tasmania, off the coast of Australia, son of marine scientist T. Thomson-Flynn.

Survivors include two daughters, Deirdre, 14, and Rory, 13, born during his marriage to Nora Eddington. His first wife, Lili Damita, is living in Paris and his latest wife, Patrice Wymore, was performing in a Washington, D.C., night club when she learned of the actor's death.

Knappa Youngster To Undergo Heart Surgery

Astoria — (UPI) — A 12-year-old boy from Knappa will undergo a delicate open heart operation next Thursday at the University of Oregon Medical School hospital in Portland.

Billy Bureau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bureau, will make his bid for a normal, active life. He has a defective heart.

Salem — (UPI) — The Oregon State Farmers Union opened its annual convention here today.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Fair and a little cooler through Friday with some cloudiness at times. Low tonight 38. High Friday 72.

Highest Yesterday 50
Lowest This Morning 41

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 5:31 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:25 a.m.
Moonrise today 5:15 a.m.
Full Moon (Hunter's Moon) tomorrow

PROMINENT STAR

Aldebaran, rises 6:54 p.m.
Jupiter, sets 6:54 p.m.
Saturn, low in south-west 8:00 p.m.
Venus, low in east 3:40 a.m.

Federal Court Case Goes Into Second Day Here

Grants Pass Case Being Heard Today

The case of Hugo C. Johnson, San Jose, Calif., against John and Ellen S. Bakshas, Grants Pass, went into its second day in federal court here this morning.

Two witnesses in addition to the plaintiff have testified so far in the case which concerns the Home Gas company, Grants Pass. The witnesses included the Rev. Leroy Fraser of the Grants Pass First Baptist church, and Circuit Judge Orval Millard, Grants Pass.

The suit concerns an alleged partnership claimed by Johnson in the Home Gas company.

Exhibits Entered
More than 20 exhibits have been entered so far in the suit presided over by U.S. District Judge John F. Kilkenny.

Attorneys for the plaintiff include H. H. Phillips, Portland, and William F. Johnson, Grants Pass. Hubert Anderson, Portland, is attorney for the defendant.

In a motion on a summary judgment heard Tuesday morning in federal court the judge ruled that the U.S. tax collector had not complied with the Internal Revenue code in making his assessments.

The motion had been brought by Charles H. and Susie Jessel, 582 Holly st., Ashland, against the U.S. Internal Revenue service, regarding income tax payments from 1941 through 1953.

Also taken during this session of federal court was testimony from witnesses in the case of W. R. Ritchie Jr., Ashland and Crescent City, against R. D. Lamb, Ashland, of Magnolia Lumber company.

Boundary Board Hearing Scheduled

The proposed transfer of land along the Rogue river from school district 6 to district 35, is not yet a dead issue, according to the Jackson county school district boundary board.

The county's school district reorganization committee following receipt of petitions for and against the transfer and public hearing Sept. 22, denied the proposal.

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Hermiston Suspects Arraigned in Court

Pendleton — (UPI) — Arraignment was completed in District Court today for Wilfred Ogden Jr., 25, and Walter Wickens, 29, Pasco, who face murder charges for the shooting a week ago of Ronald Kilby, 28-year-old Hermiston police officer.

"Oh, Well, Maybe Rockefeller Still Has Faith"

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Shakespearean Festival Names New Officers

Reinhold Elected President of Group

Ashland — Robert Reinhold, Ashland insurance man, was elected president of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association last night.

Reinhold will serve for one year. He succeeds Archie Fries, Ashland banker. This is the second time Reinhold has headed the association.

Other officers named were Phillip Gates, Ashland and Medford furniture dealer, vice president; Rudl Vest, Ashland accountant, treasurer, and Mrs. Carl E. Wimberly Jr., Medford, secretary. Vest and Mrs. Wimberly were reelected.

Five directors of the association were elected at the membership meeting. They include both Reinhold and Vest, who were reelected, Frank Bash, Medford, vice president of the California Oregon Power company; Mrs. Ben Lombard, Ashland, and J. A. (Joe) Moore, manager of the Medford branch of the First National Bank of Oregon.

Tribute was paid the association's "allied organizations," including the Tudor Guild, and groups which have materially assisted the association, including Beta Sigma Phi, Soroptimists, Job's Daughters, the Ashland Garden club, the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce, as well as many individual volunteers.

Beta Sigma Phi last night presented \$600 for scholarships and \$100 for the building fund, to the association.

Council to Consider Paving Projects

The Medford city council will consider plans and specifications for a number of paving projects and city planning commission recommendations at its meeting at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

Plans and specifications awaiting approval include paving of Perri place from 120 feet east of the east line of Obispo dr. to Gary st., paving Shannon dr. from Nieto Way to Argonne ave. and paving an alley between Central ave. and Front st. from Ninth to 10th sts.

The planning commission has recommended, among other things, that the request for change of zone from Class 1A, single family, to Class II, multiple family, on Crater Lake ave. between Main and Jackson sts. be denied. It also recommended request for change of zone from Class 1A to Class IV for property on Biddle rd. between Jackson st. and McAndrews rd. be denied.

A public hearing will be held on proposed change of zone from Class IV, limited light industrial, to Class V, light industrial, for Farr Trailer court, North Pacific highway.

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Discoveries in Life and Cancer Result in Honors

New York, Stanford Scientists Rewarded

Stockholm — (UPI) — Two American biochemists were jointly awarded the Nobel Prize for Medicine today for discoveries that shed light on the chemistry of life and cancer.

They are Spanish-born Dr. Severino Ochoa, 54, of the New York University Medical School, and Prof. Arthur Kornberg, 41, of Stanford University, Calif.

The decision to award the prize, which carries a cash award of \$42,610 was made this afternoon by the professional staff of Sweden's Caroline Medico-Chirurgical Institute.

Synthesis of Nucleic Acid
The award was based on the biochemists' discovery of the biological synthesis of nucleic acid. Reporting on their discovery in 1957, the American Cancer Society said:

"This achievement will shed increased light on the basic chemistry of life, normal and abnormal, and is already considered a major step in the study of such abnormal growth as is involved in the cancer process."

King to Award Prize
The discovery also involves materials determining the nature of the offspring of animals, plants, and bacteria. It may, therefore, some day contribute to the control of the features of offspring, it was believed.

Ochoa and Kornberg will receive the coveted prize from King Gustaf Adolf on Sweden's Nobel Festival Dec. 10.

Achievement Hailed
Their achievement was hailed by scientists all over the world.

DNA is a chemical believed to correspond to genes — the bearers of heredity — and appears in the cell nuclei.

RNA appears in the cell plasma and functions as a sort of "mold" for the cellular production of albumin substances. The latter is involved in an elementary process of life.

Portland — (UPI) — A five-man group leaves Friday for Kansas City to attempt to bring the 1962 Veterans of Foreign Wars convention to Portland.

Interim Zoning of Valley Voted Down By Commissioners

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USW President Hints Meeting Possible Monday

Arbitration Method Suggested

Washington — (UPI) — The Steelworkers Union, disregarding a plea by presidential fact-finders to resume contract talks promptly, said today it had no immediate plans for renewing talks with management in an effort to settle the 93-day strike.

Union President David J. McDonald made the announcement to reporters after a 75-minute meeting with the steelworkers' executive board.

He hinted, however, that talks with management might be held just before President Eisenhower's fact-finding board reports Monday on the issues in dispute.

Plans Indeterminate
"My plan at the moment are absolutely indeterminate," McDonald said.

"There will come a time when we'll get together," he added.

Both sides in the strike were urged by the fact-finding board chairman, George W. Taylor, to resume their talks. He said that if a negotiated settlement can be reached, the case should be submitted to voluntary arbitration.

R. Conrad Cooper, chief negotiator for the 12 biggest steel companies, rejected the arbitration idea, but said the company was ready to go back into contract talks with the union.

Wants Talks Resumed
McDonald brushed aside questions whether he would go along with voluntary arbitration. He said he would "never" submit to compulsory arbitration.

Taylor said wages and work rules seem to be the "road-block issues" preventing settlement of the dispute.

Taylor advised both sides to use this afternoon and the next three days to resolve the issues at the bargaining table.

Until Monday Night
But if this failed, he asked: "Why not submit these issues to arbitration procedure of your own devising by people acceptable to yourselves?"

"Why is that not preferable to going the route we are now on — to a national emergency?"

Taylor's board has until Monday midnight to report to President Eisenhower on the dispute. After that, the President could direct the attorney general to go into federal court and seek an 80-day strike-stopping injunction, under the Taft-Hartley law.

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Ashland Man Meets Cougar Near Park During Early Walk

Ashland — An 83-year-old Ashland man out for his morning stroll Wednesday encountered a full-grown cougar on Strawberry lane at Alnut st. above Lithia Park, city police reported.

The man, Benjamin Powell, of 186 Mulley st., was accompanied by a neighbor, a collie which chased the forest feline away, according to the report.

Powell himself said the cougar was a large one, and that he spotted it at a distance of about 100 yards, walking in the center of the roadway. He said it was the first one he had seen in his 47 years of residence in Ashland.

Medco's Locomotive To Be Moved To Jackson Site on Halloween

Medford Corporation's locomotive, which was given to the city of Medford's parks and recreation commission, will be moved to the Jackson st. park site Oct. 31, the commission decided at a meeting last night.

A "leap-frog" system will be used to move the engine from the Southern Pacific railroad crossing at McAndrews rd. to Jackson park, a distance of two blocks, Robert Haworth, city parks and recreation director, explained.

Three sections of portable rails will be moved by donated heavy equipment. The engine will be moved forward on the sections, and the rear

section moved to the front of the engine, Haworth said.

Old No. 4 was retired from its logging run this summer by Medco. The Willamette geared shay-type engine made its last run from Butte Falls June 27, pulling three carloads of passengers. It has remained in the Medco yards awaiting transfer.

When it is moved on Halloween it will be moved along Southern Pacific tracks to the McAndrews rd. crossing, it was explained.

Ab Gressett, member of the Jackson park wading pool committee for the Crater Lions club, said the group is considering the possibility of

the club financing the wading pool construction at the Jackson st. park pool site. The wading pool was discussed at the parks and recreation commission meeting last night.

A committee of Mrs. A. O. Eden, Dr. Ernest Duce and James Zack were appointed to further study the proposed extension of Union park onto 13th st. and report back with a recommendation at the next commission meeting.

Nov. 2 was set as a tentative starting date for the fall city parks and recreation program. Haworth said that program leadership must be obtained and requested recreation facilities' schedules cleared with Medford School district.



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