



BREAK GROUND—Construction of the new Jackson County Federal Savings and Loan association building in downtown Medford got under way officially this morning as Mayor John Snider, right, and the firm's president, W. J. Warren, turned back shovelfuls of earth. Also pictured above are, left to right, County Judge Earl Miller, Jerry Latham, president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and Jack Edson, architect for the building. The site is located between Front st. and the railroad tracks south of Main st. Heavy machinery has been doing leveling work there for several days and at one point an old brick walk, a relic of Medford's early days, was unearthed.

# Unander Being Considered for Maritime Post

Washington - (UPI) - Oregon State Treasurer Sig Unander definitely is being considered for appointment to a vacancy on the Federal Maritime Board, it was learned today. Reliable sources said Unander's name was among several under consideration for the post being vacated by Board Member Ben Guill. Guill resigned last week effective Dec. 31. President Eisenhower will appoint a successor to Guill. The appointment is subject to Senate confirmation. It was learned that Unander, a Republican, was "well thought of" by officials high up in the Commerce Department, the agency which governs the Federal Maritime Administration. One source said Unander was expected to get strong support from the Commerce Department if the White House asked the Department for its recommendations in filling the vacancy. Because the job must be filled by presidential appointment, no action is expected until after President Eisenhower returns from his current trip. Sources said the appointment probably will not come until after the first of the year. A Maritime Board spokesman said the post does not have to be filled by Dec. 31 even though that is Guill's official retirement date. The three member board handles maritime regulatory matters. The maritime administration is charged with the day to day operation of the federal maritime program. Salem - (UPI) - Those who have speculated on whether State Treasurer Sig Unander will resign soon and accept a post with the federal government had something else to chew on today. Late Tuesday, Unander filed with the secretary of state's office declaration of candidacy for delegate to the GOP national convention in 1960. He filed as a state at large delegate.

# NATO Told U. S. Has Superiority Over Russians

## Alliance Warned Against Concessions

Paris - (UPI) - The United States told its NATO allies today that it still has a nuclear lead over the Soviet Union, "both with respect to nuclear weapons and to the means of their delivery." Defense Secretary Thomas S. Gates gave the assurance to the NATO Council of Ministers. He said the U.S. "is confident of its nuclear superiority." He also warned the alliance against expected Soviet concessions that would allow western nations to reduce their defense costs. He pledged that the U. S. would maintain its powerful ground, air and naval forces in Europe. Britain and Italy added their pledges to maintain or increase present defense forces. But France's role in the alliance - and American criticism of it - caused controversy in the meeting amid the general show of unity. Press Leak Condemned NATO Secretary General Paul-Henri Spaak condemned an "indiscretion" on the part of the U.S. in leaking charges that France, by not living up to its military commitments, was endangering the alliance. Gen. Nathan B. Twining, chairman of the U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, made the charges at a secret meeting of the NATO Military Committee. French Defense Minister Pierre Guillaumat said today his government was seriously concerned that the charges had leaked to the press.

# Press Ban Lifted At Cape Canaveral



TWIN LEAVES HOSPITAL—Tiny Denett Stubblefield is shown being held by her mother as she leaves the University of Oregon hospital in Portland today. Denett was separated from her Siamese twin last October. Doctors did not estimate how long Jeanette, the other twin would have to remain in the hospital. (See story on page 2.) —(UPI Telephoto)

# Misunderstanding Said Responsible For General's Act

## UPI Explanation Of Source Given

Washington - (UPI) - Maj. Gen. Donald N. Yates has lifted a ban imposed on press coverage of military missile firings at the Cape Canaveral, Fla., Test Center. He said the ban resulted from a misunderstanding. Yates, commander of the test center, said Tuesday in a telegram to Lyle C. Wilson, vice president of United Press International, that he would "continue to cooperate with the press to insure the most objective reporting" of missile activities. Censorship Charged Wilson, UPI Washington bureau chief, had telegraphed Yates asking him to lift the ban, imposed Monday. Wilson said the order barring newsmen from the test center during military rocket tests amounted to an attempt to censor news originating in Washington. Wilson's telegram said UPI had obtained the information from Washington sources and from a library where bits of information are compiled. In issuing his ban, Yates said a UPI story from Washington last Saturday violated an agreement with the press concerning advance publication of the date for launching a Thor-Able rocket in a non-military shot for the Federal Space Agency. Sun Shot Reported The UPI dispatch said the National Aeronautics and Space Administration planned to launch a payload toward an orbit around the sun this week. Yates said he had given the date to reporters at Cape Canaveral on a confidential basis. Yates sent the following telegram to Wilson: "I am happy to receive your assurance that in consideration of the source of UPI's information, UPI did not violate the existing agreement. May I assure you my intentions are to continue to cooperate with the press to insure the most objective reporting to the public of our missile activities. I sincerely appreciate the cooperation I have received in the past from all the news media in this respect. I regret the current misunderstanding and plan to immediately reinstate press coverage of our military firings, trusting that the procedures we have followed in the past will continue to prove satisfactory."

# Eisenhower Working on State of Union Message

## Chief Executive Given Salute by British Flagship

Aboard U.S.S. Essex - (UPI) - President Eisenhower worked on his State of the Union Message while cruising on the sunny Mediterranean today and received a 21-gun salute from the flagship of the British Mediterranean Fleet. The President, aboard the Des Moines, a heavy cruiser, was sailing on a westerly course between Malta and Sicily when the H.M.S. Tiger, flagship of Adm. Sir Alexander Bingley, rendered passing honors. Watches From Bridge Bingley is commander in chief of the British Mediterranean Fleet and of NATO's Mediterranean forces. Eisenhower watched from the flag bridge of the Des Moines as the British ship thundered its greeting. The chief executive's Sixth Fleet task force was drawn up in a column headed by two destroyers, then the Des Moines, then the aircraft carrier Essex, the guided missile cruiser Boston and two destroyers. The American vessels were making a leisurely 10 knots as the chief executive continued on his way to Tunisia. Dr. Malcolm Moos, administrative assistant to the President and a passenger aboard the Essex, was transferred by helicopter to the chief executive's ship during the morning and the two were holding a message-writing session before lunch. Moos has been working on the State of the Union Message for weeks. He was brought along on this trip to keep the message up to date.

# Testimony in EPID Case Starts Today In Circuit Court

A hearing on the requested injunction against the Eagle Point Irrigation district, and involving the California Oregon Power company, got under way this morning in circuit court with opening statements and testimony of Ted Flury, Eagle Point Irrigation district manager. Mrs. Ann Todd, her husband, and some other Eagle Point irrigation district water users - Paul Conrad, Fritz Carlson and Herman Higday - are seeking to prevent the district from discharging more than 67 cubic feet per second of water through a siphon. The complainants claim the siphon was designed to take no more than that amount of water. "Overloading" the siphon would damage the siphon and "immediate facilities there to," Mrs. Todd charged in her opening statement. Mrs. Todd said she was referring to the immediately adjoining canal when mentioning "immediate facilities there to." Instructions Given Most of the morning session consisted of instructions from Circuit Judge James M. Main as to the opening procedure he expected both parties to follow and arguments on Mrs. Todd's amendment to her complaint. George Roberts, Medford attorney representing Copco, said in his opening statement he would prove that the siphon is capable of taking a discharge of 100 cubic feet per second, as specified in the contract between Copco and the Eagle Point Irrigation district. He said he would produce testimony to show the siphon had carried that amount without damage and that the siphon is not 20-years old as the complainants charge, but was constructed in 1943 and 1944. He said some parts were used from the old siphon and placed on the outside of the new one. The new siphon contains none of the old staves, he added. Mrs. Todd opened examination of Flury by asking him if he had brought irrigation district records as she had requested in a written order. Roberts objected saying the order was not specific as to what records she wanted. A compromise agreement was worked out between the two parties as to what records should be produced. The trial was scheduled to continue this afternoon.

# Four Injured in Morning Accident

Four persons were taken by Medford Ambulance Service to Rogue Valley hospital after an automobile-jeep accident about 8:30 o'clock this morning on Highway 62 at the Bear creek bridge. According to city police, an automobile operated by Allie Wexler Furch, 61, of 2250 Crater Lake highway, was westbound when his vehicle skidded on the icy bridge and struck the guard railing on the opposite side of the highway. The vehicle was then struck by the eastbound jeep operated by Lee Pinkham, 45, of 2095 South Peach st., police said. Furch was reported still in x-ray at press time, suffering from possible head injuries. Pinkham had a cut on the back of his head and bruised collarbone and left leg, police said. Also injured in the crash were two passengers in the Pinkham vehicle. They were Clifford L. Birk, 34, of 960 Ellendale dr., who was reported suffering from cuts on the forehead, and Francis Andrews Roberts, 23, of 103 C st., Jacksonville, who had a cut above the left eye.

# Chemical Test Law Said Not Violation

Salem - (UPI) - Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton said today a proposed Oregon chemical test law would not violate constitutional guarantees against unreasonable search and seizure, the right of self-incrimination or due process provisions.

# Russian Submarines May Have Guided Missiles

London - (UPI) - The Soviet Union already may have submarines armed with nuclear-headed guided missiles on active service, an authoritative reference work said today. "Jane's All The World's Aircraft" said there were "persistent reports" these missile craft are now part of the Soviet fleet of 500 submarines built up to sever the Atlantic lifeline between Europe and North America in the event of war. The 1960 edition of the reference work said the Russian counterpart of the American Polaris missile is also designed to be fired from submarines under the water. There are two versions of the missile at the moment. Golem-1 is believed to be a 33,000 pound liquid-propellant missile fired from a chamber towed by a submarine. It has a range of 400 miles. Golem-2 is believed to be a development of the Soviet T2 intermediate range ballistic missile, used by the army. This is a two-stage liquid propellant weapon 100 feet long, with a firing weight of 122,000 pounds, and range of 1,800 miles.

# Test Case May Have Bearing on State Prisoners

Salem - (UPI) - The State Supreme Court today heard arguments on a case involving a convict seeking freedom from Oregon state prison under the 1959 legislature's post-conviction act. The test case will have a bearing on the fate of some 80 other penitentiary inmates. Oral arguments were presented today in the case of Raymond D. Lilly. He was given his freedom recently under a Marion county Circuit Court ruling that Lilly had been sentenced improperly on a bad check charge. The decision of Marion County Circuit Judge George Duncan was appealed to the high court by the state in behalf of Prison Warden Clarence Gladden. Lane County Case Lilly, who was found guilty of a felony in Lane county, maintains that he was sentenced under the wrong law. He argues that he was guilty of a misdemeanor instead of a felony. The former calls for only a term in the county jail. Robert G. Danielson of the State Justice Department told the Supreme Court that its ruling will affect 80 other prison inmates who are serving bad check terms in which the check amounts were less than \$75. The bad check that Lilly wrote was for \$5 and he contends that \$75 is the line drawn between cases of misdemeanor and felony. Some 10 other cases are pending.

# Klamath Men Are Found Guilty

John Joseph Detto, 29, and L. M. Pate, both Klamath Falls, were found guilty Tuesday morning of charges of assault and battery in Klamath county district court. The two men were charged with beating of C. M. Lemacks, 2717 Howard ave., Medford, last month as he and another man were returning to Medford after working two days at the Crater Lake Machinery company, Klamath Falls. Sentencing was set for 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 18, in district court. Witnesses for the state were R. W. Miles, 2651 Table Rock rd., who was in the pickup with Lemacks at the time he was assaulted on Green Springs highway near the Penney Springs Guard station, and Lemacks. In addition to the two defendants four other witnesses were called by the defense. Members of the Hoisting and Portable Engineers at the three offices of the Crater Lake Machinery company in Redmond, Klamath Falls and Medford, have been on strike since Oct. 27. Pate and Detto, both mechanics, were employed by the company prior to the strike, according to company records.

# \$75,500 Tentatively Set for Area Survey

Sen. Wayne Morse, (D-Ore.) said today he has been advised by the Corps of Engineers that \$75,500 is tentatively available for flood control survey work along the Rogue River during fiscal year 1961. Senator Morse's office said the engineers advised Morse of the amounts usable for various survey projects in navigation, flood control, and Oregon operation and maintenance and rehabilitation projects. In a telegram to the Mail Tribune, his office said Senator Morse will make strong representations to the appropriate senate and house committees in support of the full amount usable on the projects.

# Ashland Council to Accept U. S. Funds

Ashland - The Ashland city council last night agreed to accept between \$60-\$65,000 in federal funds for construction of the city's proposed sewage plant. The motion to accept the appropriation was passed unanimously after the council discussed a letter from the state board of health saying that funds were available. The council also decided to contact the board in Portland for a more definite commitment on appropriations for 1960.

WEATHER FORECAST: Fog tonight and Thursday. Continued cold. Low tonight 25-28. High Thursday 38-40. Temp. Highest Yesterday 34. Lowest this Morning 29. Prec. to 10 a.m. Today, Trace. Our Skies Tonight Sunset today 4:40 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:35 a.m. Moonrise tonight 6:27 p.m. Last Quarter Dec. 22. PROMINENT STAR Betelgeuse, low in east 6:54 p.m. 529 light years from the Earth. This star is about 400 times as large as the Sun. It varies irregularly in its brightness.

# Travelers Stranded In New Mexico

Vaughn, N. M. - (UPI) - The second worst snow storm in New Mexico history stranded an estimated 500 travelers in this small community today and abandoned cars lined highways in every direction. More than 75 cars were stranded between here and Roswell on U. S. 285, and a bus carrying 23 persons was snowbound five miles from here, its passengers still inside. Two other buses and their 45 passengers were marooned in Vaughn, which has a population of less than 1,500, overcrowding hotels and motels and spilling into makeshift quarters in city hall. The storm dumped 10 inches or more of snow at Albuquerque, Tucumcari and Santa Rosa, N. M., before sweeping on across the eastern part of the state and into West Texas.

# Interstate Bridge Exemptions Asked

Portland - (UPI) - Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) asked Gov. Mark Hatfield today to see if something could be worked out so that members of Oregon's armed forces reserves would be exempt from tolls on the Interstate bridges while on active duty. Tolls on the twin bridges between here and Vancouver, Wash., go into effect Jan. 4. Neuberger said it had been brought to his attention that some 500 members of Oregon reserve units would be affected as they are required to attend weekly drills in the Vancouver, Wash., training center. He added that it was his understanding that National Guard members on official duty are exempt from tolls.

# MAN BURNED

Paul Lloyd, 35, Holland hotel, an oil company service man, suffered facial burns about 9:30 o'clock this morning when an oil stove "blew up" at the V. L. Armstrong residence, 714 Park st., firemen reported. He was taken to Sacred Heart hospital.

# Foreign Matter



# Air Force Plane Flies 1,520 MPH For Speed Record

Washington - (UPI) - The Air Force announced today that one of its F106 Delta Dart all-weather interceptors set a new official world speed record of 1,520.9 miles an hour Tuesday at Edward Air Force Base, California. The record was nearly 38 miles an hour faster than the speed of 1,483 miles an hour claimed Oct. 1 by the Soviet Union for its new E66 Delta wing fighter. It was 116 miles an hour faster than the previous official record of 1,404 miles an hour set by U. S. F104 May 16, 1958. Straightaway Course The announcement said the record was set by Maj. Joseph W. Rogers, veteran Air Defense Command pilot, over a straightaway, 18-kilometer (about 11 mile) course. Rogers, using a production model of the interceptor built by Convair in San Diego, took off at 6:30 a.m. (p.s.t.) and climbed to an altitude of 40,000 feet above the Southern California desert flight test center. He then touched off the afterburner and flew twice over the course. Meets Requirements The Air Force said the run was made twice to meet official record requirements of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale. His speed, an average of two runs, was more than 2.3 times the speed of sound. The F106 is the air defense command's newest interceptor. Five squadrons are in service so far. They can be armed with the MBI Genie atomic rocket.

# Rogue Valley Art Association Picked As Name for New Organization Here

"Rogue Valley Art association" this week was picked as the name of the newly-formed organization here which plans to further the knowledge and enjoyment of art in all its forms. The name, officers of the group said, is broad enough to include areas some distance from this immediate vicinity, and to include all forms of visual artistic expression. The name was adopted, and other organizational business transacted, at a Monday evening meeting at the studio of Eugene Bennett, temporary chairman. Among Objectives Among other objectives, the group plans to establish an art center, which would combine gallery and classroom space, as well as facilities for films and lectures. The group has issued a plea to valley residents and businessmen who might have a suitable vacant building or house which could be made available for this purpose. The association has a limited budget, it was pointed out. Robert Bosworth is chairman of the building and sites committee, and can be reached by telephoning TWInoaks 9-1641. The report of the activities committee included a tentative calendar of travelling exhibits of oils, watercolors and sculpture to begin as soon as a building is available. Plans also include lectures, films, invitational one-man shows by local and outside artists, and monthly or annual shows. The committee is also studying plans for an art rental service, to provide works of art for homes and offices. Chairman is Mrs. Eric W. Allen Jr. Membership in the association is open to anyone interested, and the cost was set at \$5 for individuals, \$7.50 for a couple, and \$2 for students. James Ragland, membership chairman, said member-

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ships will include voting privileges at annual meetings, invitations to the group's events, a newsletter, use of a members' room at the gallery, "plus the satisfaction of knowing you are helping support a cultural force of value to this area, its artists, students and children." Student Memberships Student memberships will include all privileges except holding office in the association. Membership applications and fees are now being accepted by Mrs. Fred C. Lorch, secretary - treasurer, at 830 Minnesota st., Medford. Articles of non-profit incorporation are being prepared by the constitution and by-laws committee, with Ben Day and chairman, and will be presented to the membership next month. The January meeting will be on the 11th at 7:30 p.m. at Beneett's studio, 329 South Grape st., Medford.