

Medford Firemen Called to 77 Fires During January

The city fire department responded to 77 alarms during January, and the rural fire district 18, according to Fire Chief Gordon Barker's monthly report.

Some 42 of the 77 alarms in the city were attributed to dwelling fires, of which 27 were flue fires and 8 resulting from overheated stoves or fireplaces.

Of the 18 alarms in the rural district, 10 were dwelling fires and eight of those flue fires.

The city department had one car fire and two alarms were first aid calls where babies were choking.

The city had three false alarms and the rural district one.

City equipment was out on alarms for a total of 39 hours, 24 minutes during January and district equipment for 14 hours, 18 minutes, according to the report.

Simultaneous Alarms

The report said that Jan. 13, three simultaneous alarms were received, two in the city and one in the rural district. At the time all three stations happened to be at the central fire station attending a school and one truck from each company was dispatched to the fires. All three were flue fires, the report noted.

The fire marshal made 50 inspections during January of which 22 were in business occupancies. He issued 71 orders or recommendations for the removal of fire hazards. The largest number, 22, were for recharging or installing new fire extinguishers.

Six orders were issued to replace worn or defective wiring and eight for the removal of accumulations of papers and rubbish.

A total of 61 fire hazards were removed in January, and 218 fire permits were issued.

Sen. Sweetland Warns Democrats

Pendleton—(UPI)—State Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukie) called upon Democrats to "look to our own affairs" before heaping political criticism upon Republicans. He addressed the Pendleton Democratic Club Monday night.

Sweetland said Democrats should "re-evaluate traditional Democratic positions to assure that our party is not caught in a changing world committed firmly to political doctrines . . . fashionable and proper two or three decades ago . . ."

Sweetland said "the basic philosophy of a political party, if it is a worthy philosophy to begin with, need not and should not change."

Court Records

- DISTRICT COURT**
- Edward Humphrey, violation of basic rule, \$15.
 - Ray Dunlevy, improper muffler, \$15.
 - Robert Farnsworth, 3647 Table Rock rd., driving while license suspended, one year in county jail, \$105.
 - Robert L. Adams, obstructed vision, \$6.
 - Victor J. David, failure to display headlights, \$10.
 - Leonard M. Settell, inadequate brakes, \$10.
 - Royal A. Greenman, failure to make traffic stop, \$10.
 - Fred R. Smith, violation of basic rule, \$15.
 - John E. Landus, failure to dim lights, \$7.50.
 - Thomas J. Morris, failure to dim lights, \$7.50.
 - Murphy E. Wright, violation of basic rule, \$15.
 - Joe Sidney Dix, parking in prohibited area, \$6.
 - Glenn L. Burg, inadequate brakes, \$10.
 - Charles E. LeMaine, failure to yield right of way, \$10.
 - Jack L. Bezoff, excessive noise, \$6.
 - Mansel C. Smith, bus speeding, \$15.

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President Eisenhower Will Find American Influence in Argentina at Record Peak

Editor's note: Here is the third in a series of articles by Francis L. McCarthy, U.S. Latin American editor for UPI, on the political and economic aspects of President Eisenhower's forthcoming four-nation tour of South America.

By FRANCIS L. MCCARTHY
President Eisenhower will find U.S. influence in Argentina at a record peak when he arrives in Buenos Aires Feb. 26 for a three-day state visit.

U.S. official and private bank loans of more than \$329 million in the past 13 months have made Argentina a show-case for Latin America in the matter of U.S.-assisted recovery.

U.S. investment volume in Argentina has risen sharply since President Arturo Frondizi gambled, successfully, in permitting foreign oil companies to participate in local exploration.

On the international political front, never has U.S. influence in Argentina been so strong. There are no serious differences between the two nations. Argentina would like to see restrictions on its beef exports to the U.S. relaxed, and this almost certainly will be discussed between the two presidents. So will continued and increased U.S. financial aid.

On the local political front,

Nation's Output Shows Increase

Washington—(UPI)—The nation's factories, mills and mines poured out goods and materials at a record rate in January as manufacturing bounced back from the steel strike, the Federal Reserve Board has reported.

The board said over-all industrial output advanced nearly 3 per cent, with durable goods chalking up almost the entire gain. Auto assemblies set a new record.

The board's index of factory, mine and mill activity jumped four points to a new high of 169. This meant industrial output was 69 per cent higher last month than in a 1947-49 base period.

It was the first new high since the pre-steel strike build-up of last May and June lifted the index to 166. It fell to 155 during the strike months of July, August, September and October.

The board's report said the January level was 12 per cent higher than both a year ago and the average of industrial production for all of 1957.

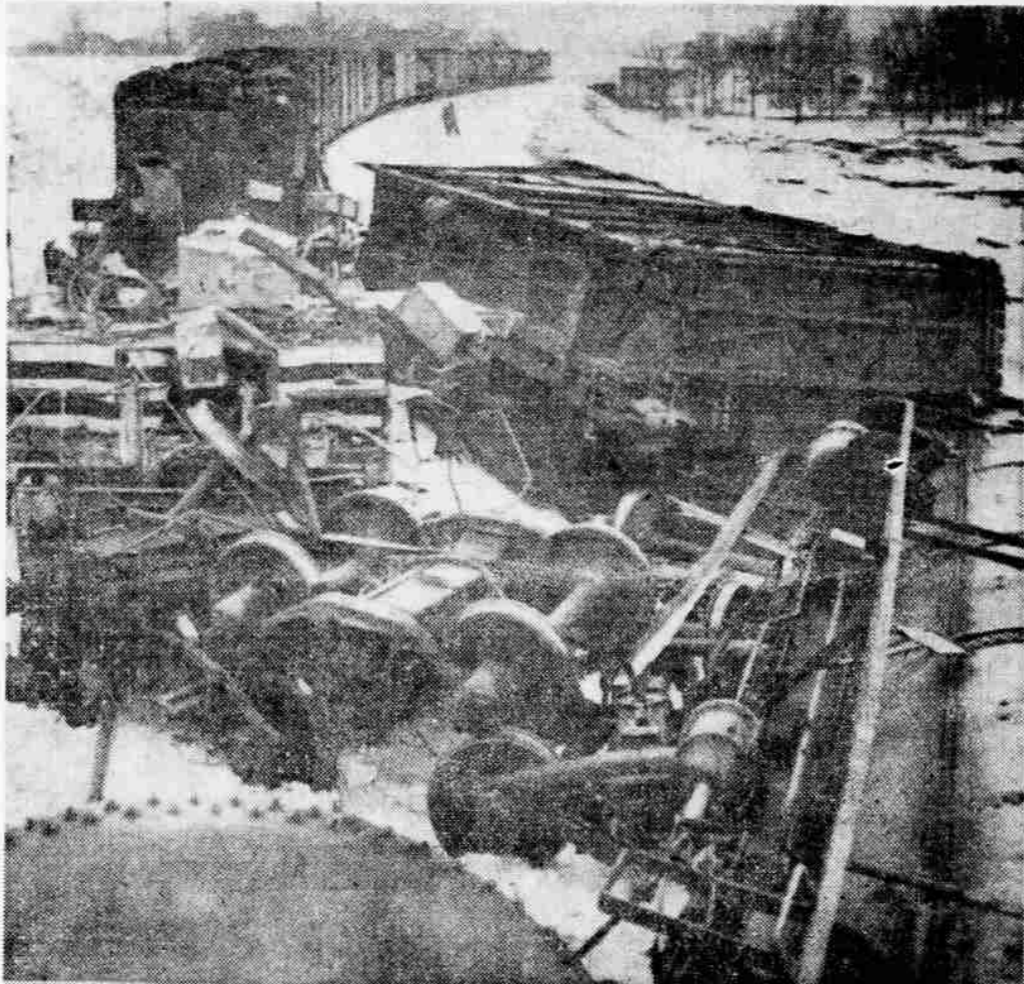
Eisenhower will arrive in Buenos Aires a month before the first nationwide election—to renew one-third of the Chamber of Deputies—since Frondizi became president on Feb. 23, 1958.

The political climate will be one of relative calm—aside from election campaigning—

as compared to the first turbulent month of austerity there. Painful austerity was forced on Argentina as a consequence of the 12-year era of Peron dictatorship. Gold and dollar reserves of the Argentine government fell nearly a billion dollars during the period.

Observers also estimate that the national economy may have been decapitalized by as much as \$10 billion during the period.

The warrior-like way in which lawyer-economist Frondizi has faced up to the economic responsibilities will please old soldier Eisenhower.



TRAINS COLLIDE—Collision of two freight trains in Chicago caused this pileup on the Chicago and Western Indiana railroad right of way. In the foreground, behind the wreckage, is a diesel switching engine which struck the rear of another train. Several cars were overturned, including the caboose inside of which a conductor was pinned. (UPI Telephoto)

Halfield Urges Ike To Sign Bill

Salem—(UPI)—Gov. Mark Hatfield has urged President Eisenhower to sign the Blatnik bill, which calls for increased appropriations to assist communities in constructing sewage treatment plants.

The bill passed the House and Senate and is before the President for consideration. In a telegram, Hatfield said "We in Oregon feel strongly that implementation of the federal-state-community cooperative effort to continue anti-pollution activities is vital to our economy."

Boone Descendant Dies in Portland

Portland—(UPI)—Funeral services were held Tuesday for C. V. Boone, a great great grandson of pioneer Daniel Boone. Boone, 63, had lived in the Astoria area for many years before moving to Tigard about 10 years ago. He died Friday. He was supervisor for the Columbia River Log Scaling and Grading Bureau.

Salem—(UPI)—R. F. Cook, Silverton, who seeks the GOP nomination for U.S. senator from Oregon, said Tuesday he opposes the federal aid to education bills now before Congress.

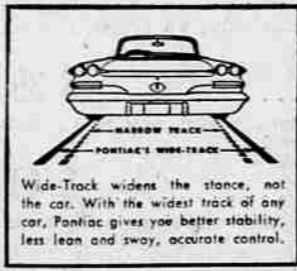
Two Greyhound Hearings Dated

Salem—(UPI)—Public Utility Commissioner Jonel C. Hill has scheduled two hearings on an application of the Greyhound Corporation to abandon service over two routes in Douglas and Josephine counties.

The first hearing will be Feb. 24 at 1:30 p.m. in Roseburg on proposed abandonment of service on the Winston-Dillard highway. The other hearing will be Feb. 25 at 9 a.m. in Grants Pass on requested abandonment via old Highway 99 through Antlers.

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