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Smoke Filled Room—1960



38 Persons Die When Colombian Airliner Crashes

Passengers Returning From Resort Visits

Bogota, Colombia—(UPI)—A Colombian airliner with 45 persons aboard—most of them women—crashed with heavy loss of life Saturday on making a forced landing in a swamp.

A rescue party pulled 38 bodies from the wreckage. There were seven survivors. The plane went down near Medellin, its destination.

The two-engine DC-4 was on a local flight from the vacation resort of St. Andrew's Island, a Colombian possession 115 miles off the coast of Nicaragua in the Caribbean. The women aboard were returning to the mainland from vacations on the island.

The airliner was operated by Sociedad Aeronautica de Medellin Airways.

The plane was approaching Medellin airport for a landing when the pilot radioed an engine on the left wing was giving him trouble and he was going to feather it.

Several persons who saw the plane trying to come in for what appeared to be an emergency landing said the engines were on fire.

Seven Killed in Bolivia Revolt

La Paz, Bolivia—(UPI)—An army regiment allegedly led by a drunken officer revolted Saturday and fought a half-day long pitched battle with government forces before the rebellion was quelled.

The battle raged through the streets of the heart of the capital. Seven persons were killed and 24 injured. Loyal government troops used machineguns, mortars and strafing aircraft to put down the revolt.

Among the dead was Col. Justo Burgos, second in command of the rebel Avelino Aliaga regiment.

Litter left from hours of bloody battling was being cleaned from the streets Saturday night. The city was calm.

Swallows Fly Back Right on Schedule

San Juan Capistrano, Calif.—(UPI)—The swallows, right on schedule, returned to San Juan Capistrano Mission Saturday.

The birds began arriving shortly before day break and the early ones immediately began working on new nests.

A crowd of about 500 curious onlookers waited outside the mission gates in the early morning for them to be opened.

Durham to Speak At UMC Meeting

G. Roderick Durham, executive director of the Oregon United Appeal, will speak at the United Medford Crusade annual meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 24, at Hedrick Junior High school.

Title of his address will be "The Golden Ladder."

Durham is known to many Medford residents, having been in charge of the local



G. RODERICK DURHAM To Address UMC

Salvation Army corps several years ago. He has been guest speaker for several UMC meetings during the past seven years, and has been enthusiastically received, according to Dr. Richard D. Nelson, UMC annual meeting chairman.

All contributors to last year's UMC campaign are voting members, Dr. Nelson noted, and are invited to hear the annual report and to vote for directors.

The Medford High school choir, under the direction of Lynn Sjotland, will provide musical entertainment.

Awards will be made to outstanding campaign workers. Dr. Merle E. Poland, president of the UMC, will preside.

The deadline for reservations has been extended to Monday noon, March 21, Dr. Nelson said. Reservations may be made by telephoning the UMC office, SPring 3-4287.

Russia Accepts U.S. Proposal on Nuclear Test Ban

Surprise Move May Break Long Deadlock

Geneva—(UPI)—Russia Saturday conditionally accepted a U.S. proposal for a strictly policed nuclear test ban in a surprise move that western diplomats said could break the 15-year-old disarmament deadlock.

The Soviets agreed to a U.S. plan of Feb. 11 that the United States, Russia and Britain sign a treaty to prohibit all nuclear test explosions except small underground blasts that are hard to identify.

The Russians posed one condition—that the West agree to a moratorium of indefinite duration on the small underground explosions until scientists of East and West work out foolproof means to detect them.

Soviet Delegate Semyon K. Tsarapkin announced the Soviet move to an unusual Saturday morning meeting of the three-power nuclear conference while the 10-nation disarmament conference took the week end off.

On the face of it, the Soviet action meant that Moscow was now ready to permit foreign inspectors on its soil, although it still insisted that their freedom of movement be severely restricted.

Russia's refusal to permit foreign inspectors on its territory had caused the failure of every disarmament conference since the end of World War II.

Some Western diplomats, however, thought that Saturday's Soviet proposal might finally make it possible to start some degree of mutual inspection. It also raised hopes that Communists might be willing to accept some workable disarmament plan in the East-West arms talks that began here last Tuesday.

Bucks Beat Cal

San Francisco—(UPI)—The booming Buckeyes of Ohio State beat California at its own game—the defense—by a 75-55 score Saturday night to win the NCAA basketball championship.

Led by All American Jerry Lucas, who completely bottled up California's great Darrell Imhoff, the underdog Big Ten champions rolled to a 37-19 halftime lead and then played a slow-down game to win going away.

California was supposed to have the peerless defense in this championship battle but it wouldn't work against the hotshots from the midwest during the first half. During that time, the Buckeyes hit on 16 of their first 17 shots to take the starch out of the defending NCAA champions.

TORNADO WINS!



THEY DID IT!—Here's the Medford High school basketball team which Saturday night won the state A-1 championship at Eugene by trimming Marshfield 63-56.

Front row (from left) are Manager Don Ticheonor, Calvin Dean, Henry Olson, Jim Barry, Dick Ragsdale, Ken Jensen, Ken Durkee and Manager Gary Milne. In back row are Coach Frank Roelandt, Jerry Shults, Lowell Dean, Bob Quinney, Darrell Miller, Jerry Anderson, Booth Deakins and Manager Ken Wise.

Medford Thumps Marshfield 63-56 For State Crown

First Championship For MHS in 31 Years

By DICK JEWETT

Mail Tribune Sports Editor Eugene—Medford high captured its first Oregon high school basketball championship in 31 years last night. The Black Tornado lived up to its number-one rating by the pollsters at the end of the regular season by downing Marshfield of Coos Bay 63-56 in the final of the state class A-1 tournament.

Eugene—Medford high's Jerry Anderson Saturday night was named to the all-tournament team along with Mel Counts, Marshfield; Jay Brack, South Salem; Sandy Nosler, South Eugene and Paul Bishop, Klamath Falls.

It was the third hoop title in history for Medford high. Its other championships were in 1924 and 1929. In the finals here last night, Medford went ahead to stay with one minute and 45 seconds left in the third quarter when Jerry Anderson sank a hook shot from in close and followed with a free shot for a 41-39 edge.

Klamath Union High school took third place by tripping South Salem 73-69 in overtime in the first game of the evening double-header. This gave the top three places in the tournament to southern Oregon teams.

Wally Palmberg of Klamath Falls sent the fracas into an extra period with a driving layup with just one second left to tie the score at 67-all.

Paul Bishop hit a field goal and he and Bruce Brickner each had two free tosses in the overtime for the Pelicans. Loren Seitz scored for South Salem in the extra session.

The Marshfield cause was severely hurt on this play when Mel Counts, the towering 6-10 Marshfield center, fouled out. The huge pavilion echoed with boos on the call.

Medford went on to a 46-39 margin at the end of the third quarter and its widest lead was 54-42 with 4 minutes and 19 seconds left to play. The game ended in a battle of free shots with Marshfield narrowing the gap twice to six points at 56-50 and 60-54.

Medford had a 16-14 lead at the quarter and was on top 34-28 at the half-time horn. Marshfield tied up the game at 36-all and 37-all, and had its last lead at 39-38.

Before he left the court, Mel Counts collected 24 points and 11 rebounds. Jerry Anderson, only Medford man to make the all-state first or second team, had 15 points for the Black Tornado and gathered in 10 rebounds.

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Medford in the first half had a tremendous shooting average of 577 on 15 field goals in 26 attempts while Marshfield hit 8 of 29 for 27.6. On the other hand, Marshfield got 11 of their first-half points on free shots.

By half-time Medford's Lowell Dean had four personal fouls against him and Bob Quinney and Jerry Shults each had three. Both Quinney and Lowell Dean fouled out in the final minutes of the game.

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Porter Lists Odds On Rogue Project

Representative Charles O. Porter last week said it was his firm opinion that authorizing the Agate dam and reservoir project "would not hurt the chances for authorizing, later on, the big Rogue basin project."

Porter, in a letter to some 50 people and organizations in Jackson and Josephine counties, said he intends to file a bill for authorization of the project.

He pointed out he considered the Rogue river basin project more important than the Agate project, but said he believed authorization of the Agate project now would not

injure "the prospects for the Rogue project authorization in the 87th Congress if the engineers and other departments complete their work."

Porter said he would ask hearings on the Agate legislation if he is convinced that the project has the almost unanimous support of the people of Jackson and Josephine counties.

People and organizations of the two counties were asked to express their feelings about Porter's intentions of seeking authorizing legislation.

Porter said he has reason to believe that the bureau of reclamation will have plans for the project ready in the near future, and pointed out that the project has a high benefit-to-cost ratio.

Election Riot in Ecuador Kills 7

Quito, Ecuador—(UPI)—Seven persons were killed and at least 25 injured Saturday in rioting that broke out at a public reception in Bolivar Square for presidential candidate Jose Maria Velasco Ibarra.

One of the dead was a six-year-old child. A policeman also was killed.

The rioting broke out shortly after Velasco-Ibarra arrived here to launch his election campaign.



GOOD GRIP—Checkers, a Siamese cat belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kennedy, Medford, is not overly fond of dogs, as would be expected, but her motherly instincts caused her to adopt two English bulldog puppies last week when their own mother was unable to care for them. Hanging on with the

famous bulldog grip, the puppies take their turn at the snack bar while Checker gives one of her own brood of kittens a bath. The puppy near the bottom of the picture has a near-perfect marking of a horse on his hip. . . . which all adds up to quite a menagerie.

NEWS BRIEFS

Washington—Rep. Jim Wright said Saturday that House investigators are digging up mounting evidence of "both grand and petty graft" in the multi-billion-dollar interstate highway program.

Havana—Fidel Castro's government Saturday seized the Luxurious Havana Biltmore Yacht and Country club on grounds it was built by Batista blood money for the idle rich while common people had to bathe in "coastal mudholes."

Pueblo, Colo.—Adm. Arleigh Burke, chief of naval operations, said Saturday the Navy was drawing up plans to put the highly successful Polaris missile in surface ships. Heretofore the Polaris has been used only on submarines.

New York—Gen. Douglas MacArthur underwent an operation for removal of an enlarged prostate gland Saturday and emerged in "fine spirits" and excellent condition.

Tampa, Fla.—The rain-swollen Hillsborough river rose slowly but disaster officials expected no major worsening Saturday night of a flood which has forced 2,500 Tampans from their homes.

Warsaw—Polish Communist leader Wladyslaw Gomulka said Saturday night the United States wants disarmament so it can obtain Russian military secrets.

Washington—The Humphrey-for-president campaign organization said Saturday that Sen. John F. Kennedy maintains a "vast warehouse" of private polls to serve his purpose in various ways.

Washington—U. S. Ambassador Philip Bonsal will return to Havana Sunday in another effort to spur some improvement in U.S.-Cuban relations.

Paris—The government Saturday seized copies of the Communist newspaper L'Humanite for publishing what it alleged to be a U. S. intelligence report claiming that extremist French Army officers were conspiring on possible assassination of President Eisenhower.

Washington—The National Aeronautics and Space Administration said the Pioneer V satellite was 1,260,299 from earth at midnight Saturday.

Political Activity Increases in County

Political activity in Jackson county is starting to increase in preparation for the May 20 primary elections with three events scheduled which candidates are expected to attend.

One of the events is a Democratic party box social, while the other two are Candidates' Nights sponsored by the Central Point Grange and the Enterprise Grange.

The Democratic party box social is scheduled Saturday, March 26, at the Knights of Pythias hall at Fifth and Grape sts., Medford. The event will start at 6 p.m. with lunch boxes being auctioned at 6:30 p.m.

Entertainment also is planned during the event, according to Democratic party officials. Entertainment will include square dancing, Matson's combo, Johnny Eads magic, and other acts.

To Meet Candidates The Central Point Grange Candidates Night will be held Friday, March 25, at 8 p.m.

Each candidate will be allowed five minutes in which to acquaint the audience with him. A short period will be scheduled for those attending to become personally acquainted with candidates, Grange officials said.

The recreation committee, chairman of which is Mrs. Gaston Floux, is in charge of the event. Others on the committee are Mr. and Mrs. John Niedermeyer, and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gebhardt.

The Wanderers, a singing group from Medford High school, also are expected to participate.

Roseburg—(UPI)—A pickup truck rolled over after going off Highway 42 one mile west of the community of Tenmile Saturday night injuring the driver seriously and killing his wife.

Fatally injured was Mrs. Hazel Estella Phillips, 57, Glendale.

The husband, Earl Floyd, was brought here to the Douglas Community hospital, according to state police.

Mrs. O. T. Wilson, Home Economics club chairman, is in charge of refreshments which will follow the event, and Grange women are asked to take a cake. The meeting is open to the public.

The Enterprise Grange Candidates Night is scheduled Friday, April 1, at 8 p.m. in the Grange hall.

Youth Fair After Shooting Mishap

Phoenix—Rodney Fowler, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Weston J. Fowler, 205 Fifth st., Phoenix, was reported in fair condition Saturday by Sacred Heart hospital attendants following an accidental shooting Friday.

He is being treated for a gunshot wound in his shoulder. The youth told sheriff's deputies he was shooting in the Anderson creek area when he accidentally shot himself.

He had sighted in on a squirrel, but the squirrel moved. So he went to his car to rest the gun on a fender for steadier support. As he was moving around the car the gun discharged. Fowler told sheriff's officers he must have tripped.

Fowler said he drove to a local physician's office where he fainted on the floor.

Hatfield Group to Invite Industries

Salem—(UPI)—The industrial development group headed by Gov. Mark Hatfield which left Saturday for New York, Washington and Chicago will throw out Oregon's "greenest welcome mat" to national industry.

Presidents and board chairmen of 300 "blue chip" corporations have been invited to luncheon meetings in the three cities.

Hatfield has said that location of new industry in Oregon, and thus new jobs, is the key to the state's development.



SHERIFF'S CARS—Sheriff Joe Walsh (left) accepted the keys from Walter DeBoer (second from right), owner of Walt's Lithia Motors, Ashland, last week for five automobiles for the criminal division of the sheriff's department. The Ashland firm was the low bidder this year for the department's cars. The vehicles, first county owned cars used by the sheriff's office will replace

part of the privately owned automobiles used by the sheriff's deputies. Shown with Walsh are Deputy Kaye Vaughn and Burley Daily (right), Lithia Motors service department manager. The off-white sedans have "sheriff" on both doors and rear trunk. Sheriff Walsh said the color was recommended to avoid confusion with other law enforcement vehicles now used in the area.

New Series to Start Tomorrow

Is American civilization on the decline? Are we riding for a fall? What is ahead for American society and culture? These provocative questions are among those posed in a series of 12 articles which will appear in the Mail Tribune starting tomorrow.

Under the general title, "New Frontiers in Living," the author, Howard Whitman, discusses today's American society and civilization, and comes up with some challenging conclusions and suggestions.

Whitman, a nationally known writer on human affairs, is also the author of several books, and many articles for newspaper and magazines.

The 12 articles will be under these titles: Are We Riding for a Fall? Our Glut of Pleasure; Let's Find God; Putting Backbone Back in the Schools; The Future of Sex; Strengthening Marriage; First Aid for Family Life; The Worship of Violence; What's Happening to Integrity?; How to Live in Abundance Without Choking; Seeking the Meaning of Life; and How Can We Sell the World?

'Big Thaw' Starts A warm sun started the "big thaw" across the northern half of the nation Saturday on the eve of spring, 1960.

At exactly 9:43 a.m. (est) Sunday the sun crosses the earth's celestial equator, bringing day and night of equal length in this hemisphere for the first day of spring, and a lift to the hearts of winter-weary millions.

Association To Meet Election of the first board of directors and progress reports on quarters for an art gallery are on the agenda for the first annual meeting of the new Rogue Valley Art association set for Monday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m. at Hedrick Junior High school.

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