

# Russia Refuses To Outlaw Space Weapons

## Springfield Family Missing After Trip Into Cascades

### Six in Party Fail To Return On Sunday Jaunt

Search Conducted In Willamette Area

Springfield—UPI—Six persons reported lost east of here in the Cascades were found safe today.

Springfield—UPI—Search parties this morning were hunting two different areas for a Springfield family of four and two neighbor children missing since 6 p.m. Sunday.

Missing were Robert G. Drew, his wife, Mavis, and their two children, Mike, 6, and Celia, 7; and two neighbor children, Edward Humell, 9, and Glenda Humell, 12.

They were reported missing when they failed to return from an elk hunting trip in the Cascades. State police said Drew was making the trip on his own. He is a hunter, trapper and self-employed Springfield carpenter.

The Humell children are those of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Humell of Springfield.

When the family failed to return, neighbors entered their house and found a note that had been written to the Humells when the Drews and the Humell children went on a similar trip two weeks ago. The note indicated they went at that time to the Foley's ridge area 50 miles east of Springfield on the south fork of the McKenzie.

### More Money Asked For Indigent Fund

An indigent fund of \$85,000 is needed for the new fiscal year to assist Rogue Valley and Sacred Heart hospitals with patients who cannot afford to pay, representatives of those two hospitals told the county court this morning.

This is an increase of \$50,000 over approximately \$30,000 in the current fund included in the county budget.

"This is in line with what aid other counties are giving their hospitals," according to Charles I. Gustafson, administrator of Rogue Valley hospital.

"The majority of the non-paying patients are either older people on social security or pensions and the migrant fruit workers," the administrator explained.

Gustafson said a greatly increased load of indigent patients has resulted chiefly from the county's population growth and the fact that Medford is becoming recognized as a medical center.

La Paz, Bolivia—UPI—The government went ahead today with preparations for a new presidential election despite a short-lived but bloody revolt that left 15 persons dead and 105 injured in this capital Saturday.

### Hatfield Cites Advantages of State For Industry Expanding Westward

New York—UPI—Oregon has advantages over the other West Coast states for industry expanding westward from the east because of the Columbia river, Gov. Mark Hatfield said today.



FOR ORCHARD HEATING?—Pear growers in the Rogue valley are ready for the annual watch against bud-killing low temperatures, now that warm days have brought the buds to a point where sub-freezing temperatures can damage them. A majority of the orchardists now are using types of heaters which throw out very little smoke, or are committed to convert to such types as rapidly as economically possible. A majority also pledged to burn no tires to heat orchards, but a few are still prepared to do so, as is evident by the picture above, snapped not long ago at a valley orchard. The county court has said it plans to call on all orchardists who plan to use smoke-producing tires. But a check over the week end revealed a few orchards where tires are still piled.

## Deputies to Question Hitchhiker About Ashland Shooting

Jackson county sheriff's officers plan to question a hitchhiker in Bakersfield, Calif., probably today, in connection with the fatal shooting of Mrs. Lester Hamilton, 40, of Ashland, it was reported.

The sheriff's office was notified by teletype this morning that a hitchhiker identified as Joseph Sears, 47, was taken into custody today for questioning in the slaying of the Ashland woman last Tuesday.

California highway patrolmen picked up Sears south of Bakersfield on Highway 99. They said he fitted the description of an all points bulletin issued for a suspect in the slaying.

Sears admitted to California officers he was in Ashland, but denied any knowledge of the crime. He told them he arrived in Bakersfield Friday from Portland.

Sheriff Joe Walsh said the

state crime laboratory has identified the murder weapon as a .22 caliber revolver. He added that the lists of suspects, including friends of Mrs. Hamilton, has been narrowed considerably.

## Grants Pass Woman Wins Speak-Off

Mrs. Robert Rausch, Grants Pass, won first place in the annual speak-off of Council 4, International Toastmistress, held here yesterday at Kim's restaurant, with a humorous talk entitled "Under the Microscope."

Second place was taken by Mrs. H. F. Smith, Ewauna club, Klamath Falls, with "A Preserved Tradition" and third went to Mrs. C. H. Leonard of the Medford club for "Minor Compromise."

Judges were Mr. and Mrs. James Boyle, Klamath Falls; Mrs. Evelyn Steele and Raymond Salisbury, Grants Pass; Mrs. Eloise Winklebeck and Jerry McDougall, Medford. About 45 members and guests attended the dinner and speak-off.

The guests included Mrs. L. C. Daniel, Eugene, president of International Toastmistress, and Mrs. William Eckhart, Albany, regional supervisor.

## Tidal Waves Triggered By Tokyo Earthquake

Tokyo—UPI—An earthquake early today triggered foot-high tidal waves on the Pacific coast of northern Honshu, Japan's main island, but no casualties or property damage were reported immediately.

## Warm Weather Opens Fruit Buds Ahead of Normal

Orchard heating can start at any time, now that the warm weather has been opening the buds on fruit trees in the Rogue valley, according to Clifford B. Cordy, county horticultural agent.

All pear varieties except Bosc are in the early pink stage, Cordy noted. Many apricot and almond trees, depending on location in the valley, are already in full bloom. Peaches are showing pink in their buds. The bud stage is actually a few days ahead of normal, Cordy noted.

Urged To Be Careful Orchard heating instructions issued by W. J. Rogers, of the fruit forecast warning service, and Cordy, urged growers to be "awfully careful now that warm weather is opening buds."

General directions suggest heating at 25 degrees for Bartlett's, Bosc and D'Anjou, and 24 degrees for Comice and Nelis varieties. Actually, growers could heat at a half degree higher than the temperatures listed, Rogers advised. Buds separated in the cluster, but showing no color, will stand the temperatures listed for 30 minutes. Temperatures should be held at one degree to two degrees higher than those listed when heating.

Damage has occurred during this stage, Cordy warned, but is much less frequent than at later stages. Data on which the above figures are based is not extensive, Rogers added. Frost marking is considered possible in this stage on nights with high dewpoint.

## High School Rally Honors Champions

A gala rally assembly at Medford High school this afternoon celebrated the Black Tornado's state Class A-1 basketball championship.

The ceremonies in the school stadium included presentation of the titular trophy by Ken Durkee and Lowell Dean, team captains, to the student body. Letter awards were made by Coach Frank Roelandt.

School was dismissed after the 2 p.m. gathering. Medford defeated Marshfield 63 to 56 Saturday night in the Oregon tournament finals at Eugene.

The official tournament bracket, which was in the hall at McArthur court, was on display in the showcase at the school this morning.

## Cuba Downs Plane With U.S. Marks

Havana—UPI—A light plane with U.S. markings was shot down today by Cuban revolutionary troops near Matanzas and its American pilot and copilot captured. A Cuban officer said the plane came from Florida. The pilot was identified as Leonard Howard, Miami. He was wounded in the leg. His copilot refused to identify himself, telling his captors: "First I want to talk to Fidel Castro."

Rented in Miami Operators of the Aero Country Club in Miami said the plane was rented Sunday to Howard L. Rundquist who said he was flying to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and then on to Sebring, Fla. Friends said Rundquist, about 30, had been working as an automobile salesman in the Miami area for about eight months.

The plane was shot down about 7 a.m. while apparently on a mission to smuggle out Cubans classified by the revolutionary government as "war criminals." Four Cubans including a former police official and an army officer were captured near where the plane came down.

The plane was attempting to land on Cuba's northern coastal highway known as "La Via Blanca" (The White Way) when shot down. It crashed-landed in a field near La Carbonera, about 12 miles from Matanzas, Matanzas, capital of the province of the same name, is about 50 miles east of Havana.

Howard was given first aid treatment for his wound before being taken with the others to 4th Regiment headquarters at Matanzas for questioning.

The copilot, in addition to his request to talk to Premier Castro, asked also to see Castro's personal secretary, Dr. Juan Orta, and a Capt. Guerrero of the rebel army. His request raised speculation that he may have been acting as an agent for the Castro regime to foil the escape.

## Canvass of Votes By Committee Planned Tuesday

The Jackson County School District Reorganization committee will meet tomorrow night to canvass the votes on reorganization of Rogue River and Evans Valley school districts, according to Alf B. Mekvold, county school superintendent.

Evans Valley voted down the proposal Wednesday by an unofficial 71 per cent; it was reported. Of the total 364 persons voting, 174 votes were cast in Rogue River, with 153 for the reorganization plan and 21 against it. In Evans Valley 190 votes cast were divided into 54 for and 136 opposed.

According to state law, the Evans Valley patrons have 30 days from the date of the election canvass in which to file a petition for another election. A petition for a second election must contain the signatures totaling 50 per cent of the number who voted in the first election.

Another Election If such a petition is filed, the reorganization committee must call another election within 60 days after March 16, or after the first election was held. If 50 per cent or more voters in the Evans Valley school district still oppose the reorganization, then the school district can consider the plan rejected, Mekvold explained.

The reorganization committee then has two alternatives. It may wait a year from the first election and submit the same plan or it may make a new plan and resubmit it to the voters. However, not more than two special elections can be held in any one year, Mekvold said.

Other Districts Considering other school districts yet to be reorganized, the state board of education has rejected the reorganization plans for Pinehurst and Ashland. The county committee has withdrawn that plan. It is awaiting possible action by the forthcoming state legislature which may affect those two districts and the Applegate district.

The Josephine county administrative district plan has been approved already by the voters of both Josephine county and the Applegate districts must petition for joining the two districts through consolidation and annexation procedures, Mekvold explained.

So far no action has been taken by either district. Applegate residents have stated they preferred to join with the Josephine county unit instead of with the Medford school district.



KENNEDY FILES—Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.), right, walks with Indiana Secretary of State John R. Walsh, left, to a press conference in the statehouse at Indianapolis after formally filing his petition to enter the Indiana presidential preference primary. Kennedy, a Roman Catholic, ran into a delegation of demonstrators who challenge him to a debate on the religious issue.

## African Natives Killed by Police In Riot Over Law

Vereniging, South Africa—UPI—Police killed at least 34 Africans, some of them women, and wounded more than 60 near here today in putting down a riot by stone-throwing natives protesting a law that requires them to carry identification passes at all times.

It was difficult to determine the exact number of dead and wounded, but a UPI correspondent visited the riot scene and personally counted 34 bodies, including those of eight women.

In addition, an official at Vereninging Hospital said "well over 60" wounded persons had been brought there. No Detailed Figures "I don't know yet how many we shot," said the police commander in the nearby African township of Sharpville where the shooting took place.

Other officials refused to give detailed figures of the casualties. The correspondent was ordered to leave the location immediately. Corpses still littered the ground near the Sharpville police station at the time.

The Sharpville riot was the most serious of a group of incidents which broke out today in a cluster of locations about 40 miles south of Johannesburg.

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## Passengers Injured As Truck Hits Bus

Yreka—Eight passengers aboard a Greyhound bus suffered minor injuries late Saturday night when the bus was struck from the rear by a truck-tractor at the Hornbrook quarantine station. None of the injured were hospitalized.

The accident occurred at 11:35 p.m., the California highway patrol reported, while the bus, driven by Claude R. Babb, 56, of Redding, was parked at the station.

The CHP issued a citation for faulty brakes to the owners of the truck, the P and A Refrigerated Express company of Portland. Driver of the truck was Burton R. Shoemaker, 27, of Beaverton.

Other incidents and demonstrations were reported in Capetown, at the African township of Bophelong and its city of Vanderbijl Park, at Everton and at Orlando.

The Sharpville riot broke out when shouting, stone-throwing Africans completely surrounded the township police station.

## Delegate Says West Must First Scrap Stockpile

Immediate Freeze On Troops Rejected

Geneva—UPI—Russia refused today to outlaw outer space for military weapons unless the western powers eliminate their whole nuclear stockpile at the same time.

A Russian delegate at the 10-nation Disarmament Conference here also rejected a western proposal for an immediate freeze on American and Soviet armed forces.

Said Step Backward "It is a step backward, not a step forward," Soviet spokesman Alexie Roschin told a news conference.

The Soviet stand was disclosed after the West earlier had called on Russia to join it in banning nuclear rockets and scrapping existing nuclear warheads. The United States will not pull its troops out of Europe until this and other vital steps in any East-West disarmament agreement are completed, the West also stated.

## Repeats Soviet Offer

In rejecting the western proposal that outer space be declared off limits for weapons of destruction before any are built and shot beyond the earth's atmosphere, Roschin declared that "space is only part of the whole nuclear problem."

Roschin then repeated a Soviet offer made to the disarmament conference this morning to begin disarmament with a full prohibition of nuclear weapons and the destruction of those now in existence. Audit Said Ignored

Western delegation spokesmen said they did not consider the Soviet proposition to be significant because it still ignored the world arms audit the western powers say must precede and the controls that must accompany any significant reduction of arsenals.

The western conditions were delivered by Italy's Gaetano Martino and Britain's David Ormsby-Gore. Ormsby-Gore told Valerian Zorin of the Soviet Union that the West wants nuclear rockets banned at the same time production of nuclear material for military purposes is halted and existing nuclear weapon stockpiles are switched to peaceful uses.

## Temperatures Here Well Above Normal

Record and near-record maximum temperatures were noted at the Medford station of the U.S. weather bureau over the week end as this area basked in fair and warm weather.

Yesterday's 81 degrees was the highest temperature in the local record books for March 20. Previous high was 80 in 1915. Friday and Saturday highs of 77 and 81 were just one degree short of the all-time maximum for March 18 and 19. The record maximums are 78 in 1934 and 82 in 1914, respectively.

Today's high was expected to reach 78 or 79. Hottest March 21st temperature was 82 in 1939.

Warm weather is not unusual for this time of year, the weather station pointed out. However, the temperature averages for Saturday and Sunday represented departures of more than 10 degrees above the normal. Files show only three days between March 13 and 31 that temperatures of 80 degrees or more have not occurred in some year.

Fair weather, but with some cloudiness, is forecast for tonight and Tuesday.

## Woman Killed in Fall Off Cliff Near Newport

Newport, Ore.—UPI—A woman slipped at the edge of an ocean cliff Sunday and plunged 496 feet to her death.

Killed was Mrs. Troy Derbyberry, 31, Salem, mother of three children. Her husband frantically tried to grab her as she fell.

The accident occurred at Otter Crest viewpoint. Watching Sea Lions

A state patrolman said Mr. and Mrs. Derbyberry had gone to the coast and stopped to watch the lions. Mrs. Derbyberry had walked to the edge of the cliff to get a better view through binoculars when she started to slip on the grass.

## "Boss, We Diddn't Go Over So Well in Puerto Rico"



## Soviet Proposal Being Considered

Washington—UPI—The White House said today a new Soviet proposal for banning nuclear tests is "under serious consideration."

The statement was issued after President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Christian A. Herter conferred on the Russian proposal for an unlimited test moratorium.

White House News Secretary James C. Hagerty told reporters: "Many people in the government are taking a very careful look at it."

The Russians announced they favor a moratorium on all explosions, including the smallest which are hardest to detect, and suggested joint efforts to find ways to detect all underground tests.

## Two Killed as Ships Collide in Atlantic

Norfolk, Va.—UPI—Two sailors were killed and 13 injured when the USS Darby and the Swedish freighter Soya Atlantic collided a mile northeast of Cape Henry Saturday.