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White Police Kill Three Africans In Breaking Up March in Race Disput

Bond Issue Approved

A substantial majority of the 2,104 voters who cast ballots in the Medford school district election yesterday approved a \$750,000 bond issue to finance a two-year building program to provide needed classrooms.

Robert D. Dames Is Nominated for School Board Job

A petition nominating Robert D. Dames, Medford lawyer, as a candidate for a member of the Medford school district board has been filed with Wilson Slater, district clerk.

The petition contained 32 signatures, Slater said. Deadline for filing for the board is 5 o'clock this afternoon. One board member will be elected in the Medford district May 2.

William A. (Bill) Barker, present chairman of the board, is a candidate for reelection. Dames, who is city attorney for Rogue River, received his pre-law training at the University of Minnesota and has a bachelor of law degree from St. Paul college of law.

Following service during World War II, he practiced law in North Dakota, where he was a member of the board of governors of the State Bar association and was a U.S. commissioner. He also served as assistant state attorney and was a part-time instructor at Jamestown college.

He has been active in Boy Scout work in this area, and is Sunday school teacher. He is currently on the Boys' State commission for the American Legion, and has been a member of the board of directors of the Medford YMCA.

Dames is a past president of the Medford Lions club, and a former deputy district governor for the Lions. He has practiced law in Medford since 1949. He is married and has three children attending Medford schools.

Astoria - (UPI) - The Coast Guard is investigating the circumstances involving the gunshot death of seaman John E. Mackerell, 26, Beaver, Utah.

the district, school officials noted. The district contains about half the total population of Jackson county, which is estimated about 71,300. The population of the city of Medford is about 26,300.

Dr. Leonard B. Mayfield, superintendent of the district, said the first of the bonds would be sold as soon as possible after the votes are canvassed. Bids on classroom buildings planned for next school year will also be called as soon as possible. Bids on buildings needed next school year will not be called all at one time, school officials said, but will be called within a short time of each other for the convenience of bidders.

Planned Next Year - Planned for next school year are classrooms at Hoover, Oak Grove, West Side and Hedrick Junior High school. Renovation and completion of the old district shop will provide a boys' manual arts department and two other classrooms at McLoughlin Junior High school.

Also planned is renovation of a multipurpose room at Jacksonville, and the addition of a stage and boys dressing room at Ruch school. Additional classrooms financed from the bond issue will be constructed as needed, and bonds will be sold as needed to construct new facilities, school officials said.

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Stored Irrigation Water Said Short

Stored irrigation water in the Medford and Rogue River Valley Irrigation districts is only about 38 per cent of the amount Fish and Four Mile lakes contained at this time last year, Medford Irrigation district officials said today.

Water in Fish lake totals 4,411 acre feet, and in Four Mile lake 4,637 acre feet, or a total storage of 9,048 acre feet, district officials said. Last year the total storage at this time was 23,584 acre feet.

The total storage, however, is 72 per cent of the 14-year average of 12,500 acre feet. Fish lake's capacity is 8,300 acre feet, and the capacity at Four Mile lake is 16,600 acre feet.

District officials expressed concern over the shortage of storage water, and said the shortage was considered "serious." A total of 59 inches of snow was measured at Four Mile lake during Medford Irrigation district's monthly snow survey this week. Water content of the snow there was 26 inches, compared to a 14-year average of 28.2 inches.

At Fish lake, 14 inches of snow with a water content of 5 inches, 43 per cent of the normal water content is 11.7 inches. Fish lake is 88 per cent of the normal storage of 5,000 acre feet, district officials reported.

Eighteen inches of snow with a water content of 8 inches was reported at the Rye Springs spur snow course. There are no previous records on this course for comparison.

On the Billie Creek divide snow course, 35 inches of snow with a water content of 15.3 inches, which is 65 per cent of the normal 23.4 inches, was reported.

District officials said it "was apparent that a considerable amount of snow has melted in the past two weeks on the Fish lake watershed below the 5,000-foot elevation, but the ground is absorbing much of the run-off." Because of this, they said, there has been no major change in the storage quantities.

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'Huks' Kill Three In Philippines; Manhunt Started

Manila - (UPI) - Communist "Huks" killed three persons and wounded another today in the first serious outbreak of Communist violence in several years.

The Philippine Constabulary immediately ordered a manhunt in Pampanga Province, scene of some of the bloodiest fighting of the Communist "Huk" uprisings during the early 1950s.

Killed in the ambush this morning were wealthy landowner Jose Carrillo of San Luis, Pampanga, his wife, Carmen, and Miss Mariana Salas, a 25-year-old school-teacher of Apalit, Pampanga.

Daughter Plays Dead - A 19-year-old daughter of the Carrillos survived by pretending she was dead. She was later found alive but wounded.

The victims were close relatives of Filipino actress Cely Carrillo who is presently appearing in New York in the "Flower Drum Song."

Colonel Ricardo Papa, Philippine Constabulary Pampanga commander, said the motive was definitely established as vengeance. Carrillo was known to have cooperated with the constabulary in undercover work against the "Huks" in the area.

Second Wettest March Recorded

The second wettest March on record in the Medford vicinity has brought the total precipitation in the current agricultural year to an amount already in excess of that for the entire 1958-1959 year.

Medford station of the U.S. weather bureau recorded 4.40 inches of precipitation last month, bringing the total since Sept. 1, 1959, start of the agricultural year, to 13.20 inches. Precipitation for the year Sept. 1, 1958, through Aug. 31, 1959, was 13.13.

Normal precipitation for a year is 18.15 inches. Rainfall last month compares to 5.34 inches in 1957 for the wettest March on record. Precipitation last month was 2.88 in excess of the normal of 1.52.

Rain from midnight up to 10 a.m. today was .05 of an inch bringing the season total up to 13.25.

Additional Cuts In Budget Forecast

Washington - (UPI) - A \$136,500,000 cut in President Eisenhower's foreign aid program voted by the House Foreign Affairs Committee shaped up today as a mere starter. Additional cuts of more than \$1,500,000,000 were forecast.

The President asked for \$4,175,000,000 to finance military and economic assistance in the year starting July 1. The committee Thursday, all but finishing work on the authorization bill, trimmed this to \$4,038,500,000.

But an appropriations subcommittee handling funds for the program seemed determined to cut far deeper than that.

Women Protest Hiring of Guards By Newspapers

Portland - (UPI) - A group of women carrying toy pistols and banners marched before the Oregonian building today protesting reported hiring of armed guards by the city's two newspapers.

Mrs. Harold Bamberg, head of the Gals Against Labor Strife, said they also would march in front of the courthouse and city hall. A spokesman said the group was made up of some union members, union wives and "anyone sympathetic to the cause."

Snow Forecast In Nebraska; 6,000 Homeless

By United Press International - Snow, sleet and even some April showers today hit the Middle West, already stricken by floods which drove 6,000 persons from their homes.

Winds up to 80 miles an hour and hail battered central Kansas and Oklahoma. Three inches of snow were forecast for Nebraska, hardest-hit state in the Midwest flood belt.

Although almost 4,000 persons were homeless in Nebraska, the floods failed to make a major breakthrough.

Battle Being Won - National guardsmen, civil defense workers and volunteers were winning the battle of the levees with around-the-clock "sand bag" operations against the enraged rivers.

However, the tons of water surging down flooded streams in the country's mid-section were pouring into the great Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

Gales Battered - Chunks of ice tore seven 15 1/2 ton gates from an electric power dam on the Mississippi at Keokuk, Iowa. The breakthrough was expected to cause a three-foot flash rise downstream.

The Weather Bureau at Memphis, Tenn., far downstream, issued its first flood warning for lowland residents in five years.

The Missouri river was out of its banks in parts of Nebraska and Missouri. Missouri Gov. James T. Blair ordered the National Guard to sand-bag levees near Glasgow, Mo., to prevent a breakthrough.

Slight Decline in Lumber Prices Noted

Portland - (UPI) - A slight decline in lumber prices during the two-week period ending Thursday was reported today by Crow's Lumber Market News Service.

Green fir lumber led the down-trend with dry fir items remaining strong.

Douglas fir plywood remained at the \$64 base price for sanded stock.

Appling Would Change Presidential Primary

Salem - (UPI) - The state's new presidential primary should be changed because it is not working out as it should, Secretary of State Howell Appling said Thursday.

Grants Pass Paper Honors Publisher

Grants Pass - (UPI) - Employees of the Grants Pass Courier today honored Publisher A. E. Voorhies upon occasion of the newspaper's diamond anniversary.

The first edition of the newspaper was published April 3, 1885.

Voorhies, who will be 91 in June, has been publisher of the Courier for 63 years.

Employees today presented Voorhies with a diamond to be placed in a solid gold printer's rule which was given the publisher on the newspaper's 50th anniversary.

Armored Cars, Fixed Bayonets Oppose Crowd

Durban, South Africa - (UPI) - White police shot three Africans dead and wounded at least three others in the commercial heart of Durban today in the worst incident here to date of the current racial violence.

Three Negroes, including one woman, were taken to a hospital with gunshot wounds.

The incident came when a crowd of several thousand Negroes from Durban's squalid Cato Manor slum converged on the city center in several columns, brandishing sticks, hatchets and sharpened pieces of wire.

As the crowd stormed through the streets, it dragged other Africans out of shops, off bicycles and off the pavements, forcing them to join the march.

Police backed by Saracen armored cars and troops with fixed bayonets called on the crowd to halt when it reached West st., which is the Times Square of Durban.

Police Open Fire - When the warnings were ignored, police fired into the air. Then shots were fired into the crowd of Africans.

After the firing, the mob scattered. The Africans were dispersed in the side streets and life resumed its normal course.

In Johannesburg, meanwhile, the government mobilized four reserve regiments and some units of the civilian home guard in apparent anticipation of new racial violence.

Police reported "everything under control" early today after a night of sporadic clashes which killed at least one person and wounded seven. The situation remained explosive.

Areas Sealed Off - The chief centers of potential trouble were the Langa and Nyanga locations, Durban's Cato Manor slums, Worcester in the Cape area and the university town of Stellenbosch.

Troops sealed off Langa and Nyanga for the second day. Hunger was reported becoming a serious problem in two native villages despite emergency food shipments provided by the Liberal Party.

The emergency food was earmarked for women and children, leaving the men in the surrounding communities to fend for themselves.

Dr. Engle Nominated For Board Position

Ashland - Dr. Daniel Engle, Ashland dentist, was the only candidate for the vacancy on the Ashland school board early today, a spokesman at school district headquarters reported.

Deadline for petitions submitting is 5 o'clock this afternoon.

A petition is being circulated for a possible second candidate, the spokesman said.

The board vacancy is for a five-year term.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy early tonight and cloudy early Saturday, becoming partly cloudy with a few isolated showers Saturday afternoon. Low tonight 33. High Saturday 40.

Highest Yesterday 44 Temp. Lowest this Morning 40

Our Skies Tonight

Precip. to 10 a.m. Today .57 Sunset today 4:37 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 5:53 a.m. Moonset tonight Midnight First Quarter April 2

This month the stars of Spring become more prominent in the eastern sky. Among them (looking from north to south) are Vega, Arcturus and Spica.

French Ignore Khrushchev; Set Off Blast

Paris - (UPI) - France triggered its second atomic explosion in the Sahara today, ignoring objections from Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev who is here on a state visit.

The blast went off successfully at the desolate French test site near Reggane just a few hours before Khrushchev and President de Gaulle were to resume their secret talks.

Would Be Displeased - Only last Wednesday Khrushchev had said it would be better for humanity if no more nuclear explosions were set off ever. In addition, it had been reported that before arriving March 23 he sent word ahead to Paris that he would be displeased at any French nuclear blast while he was on French soil.

But de Gaulle, avowedly aiming to make France the world's fourth atomic power unless there is general global disarmament, brushed off the objections and told nuclear officials not to hold up any tests just because of Khrushchev's visit.

Accord Hinted - Soviet sources said Khrushchev would not regard the explosion as an affront. Western sources said they doubted it would affect the current trend toward a nuclear test ban agreement in Geneva among the United States, Britain and Russia.

Khrushchev fully aware that France was getting ready for a second atomic explosion, hinted Thursday night that the Big Three might reach a nuclear accord within six weeks.

The announcement of today's explosion said it was of "low power," indicating that the device was smaller than the first blast Feb. 13 which had an estimated yield of 60,000 to 70,000 tons of TNT - about triple the yield of the Hiroshima explosion in World War II.

Second Election Set in Districts

April 27 has been set for a second election in the Evans Valley school district on the proposed reorganization plan, according to County School Superintendent Alf B. Mekvold.

Petitions from Evans Valley containing the required number of signatures of legally registered voters have been filed in the county school superintendent's office calling for the election, Mekvold said.

A total of 112 signatures of the 120 submitted have been verified. A number equal to 50 per cent of those who voted on reorganization before is required.

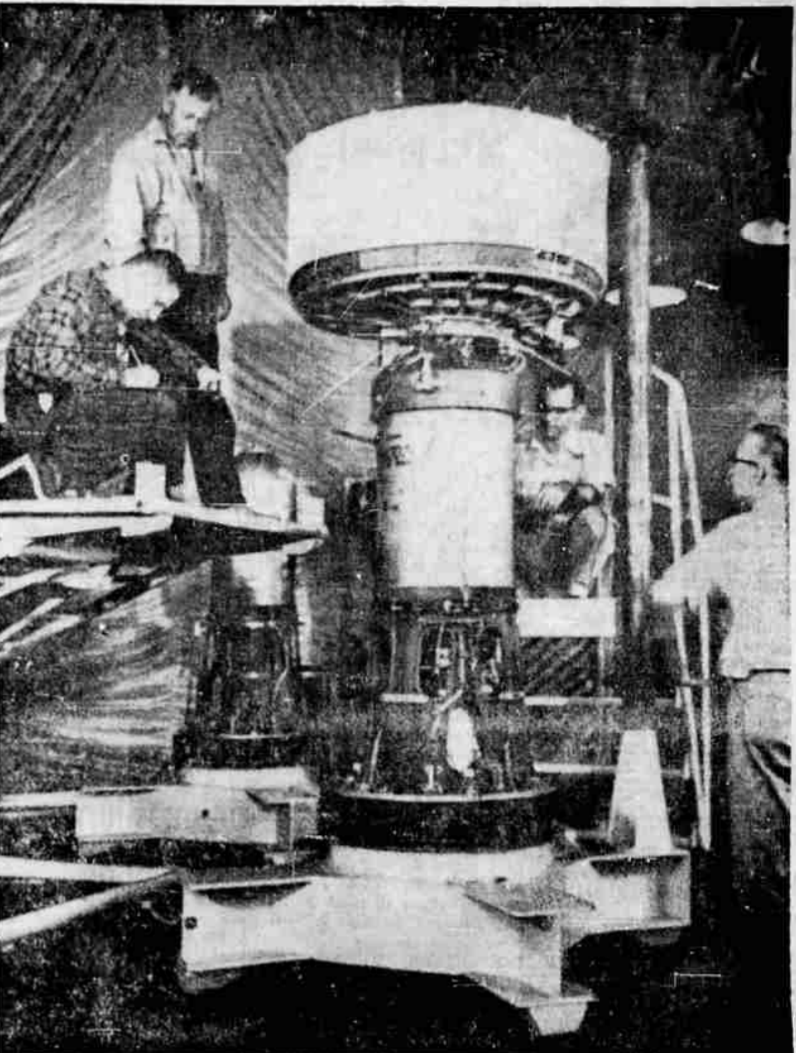
The election will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. April 27. If a simple majority fails to favor reorganization then the Jackson county reorganization committee may change the reorganization plan and resubmit it to the state board of education or it can wait a year and submit the same plan. In either case, the plan will go through the same process as before, Mekvold said, including hearings and an election.

North Bend Worker Killed in Accident

Cons Bay - (UPI) - Norman Hobson, North Bend, a shift foreman at the Georgia-Pacific hardboard plant near here was killed today while working on a board unloader.

1,030 REGISTER

Ashland - Enrollment at Southern Oregon college after the fourth day of registration is 1,030, the college announced today. The figure represents a 15 per cent increase over the same day of last spring term.



SATELLITE LAUNCHED-The United States today launched a Tiros earth satellite carrying two television cameras to photograph the world's weather from 400 miles deep in space. The satellite is shown in the above photo, resting on the third stage of the three-stage Thor-Able launch vehicle, as it was given its final check before launching. At right, the rocket, carrying the 270 pound satellite, blasts from its pad at Cape Canaveral, Fla. (UPI Telephotos)



Satellite To Take Photos Of Clouds

Cape Canaveral, Fla. - (UPI) - The United States put a satellite into orbit around the earth today to photograph the world's weather conditions from space. There were reports it showed a big storm area over the Midwest.

A Weather Bureau official in Washington said several hours after launch that the Tiros satellite already had sent back some "very fine pictures" of the earth's cloud and storm pattern.

Morris Tepper, chief of NASA's meteorological satellite program, said "we have been in touch with the satellite and it seems to be performing quite well."

Tepper said the agency hoped to be able to distribute to the press pictures sent back to earth by the TV cameras.

The delicate compact payload rode in the nose shroud of the Thor-Able rocket, one of the most reliable in the U.S. stable of space vehicles.

Public Hearing Time Is Announced

A public hearing on state public welfare legislation will begin at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 5, in Medford. The hearing will be conducted by the state legislative interim committee on public welfare. It will be held in the courthouse auditorium.

The hearing, to get local views on welfare administration in Oregon, is one of several being held throughout the state.

Salem - (UPI) - James F. Short was sworn in today as the state's director of agriculture.

April Fool's Day Jokes Not New To This Woman

London - (UPI) - April Fools Day is the one time of the year that Mrs. Audrey Ellidson finally gets some relief from the practical jokes her husband always is playing on her.

Her husband, as Mrs. Ellidson explained it in a Daily Express interview today, is a manufacturer of April Fools jokes. Since today marks the height of the season for him, he is just too busy and too tired to do the usual things, like, for instance, putting bugs in her breakfast cereal.

"Life has just been a string of exploding cigars since my marriage 12 years ago," Mrs. Ellidson said.

"When I first met my husband, he always had odd little things in his pocket. I am a smoker, and he would hand me cigarettes that went bang. He put floating beetles in beer and wiggling worms in water."

Mrs. Ellidson said these little jokes still were in full swing and she had even become accustomed to having April fools years instead of days.

"It's all part of our lives," she said. "She struck a match to light a cigarette and it exploded. 'See?' she said with a smile."

