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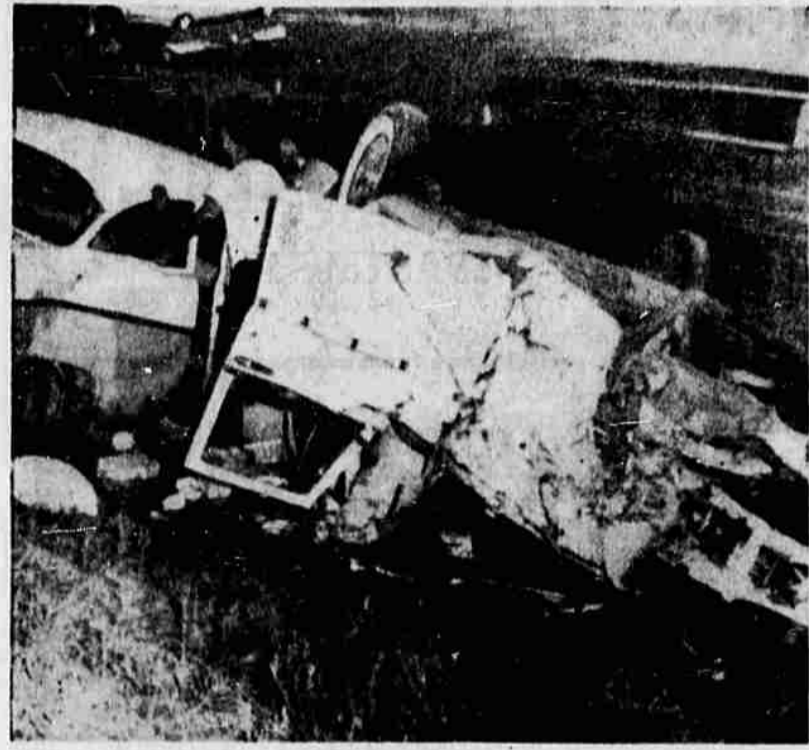
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Health Issue Finds Way Into Democrat Campaigns



ROSEBURG CRASH KILLS 4—Oregon's worst highway accident of the holiday week occurred near Roseburg when two cars collided, killing four members of a Redonda Beach, Calif., family in one car and critically injuring two occupants of the other auto. (UPI Telephoto)

Daylight Burglar Finds Going Not So Easy; In Jail

An easy-going burglar found the going not so easy Monday and was lodged in the county jail, charged with the daylight burglary of a downtown Medford jewelry store.

Harry Howard Gray, 59, White City Domiciliary, admitted to Medford police this morning that he broke the front display window of Brophy's Jewelers, 209 East Main st., about 1 o'clock Monday afternoon, and took a wrist watch valued at about \$150.

Police were assisted in their apprehension of Gray by James Albert Lile, a Louisville, Ky., transient, who saw Gray take the watch.

Lile told police that Gray did not run after taking the watch, but walked away "as if nothing had happened."

Lile said he followed Gray for several blocks until Gray picked up a newspaper at the corner of Sixth and Bartlett sts., then sat down on a nearby planter box to read it. Lile then went back to the jewelry store and waited for police.

When police arrived Lile led them to where Gray had been sitting and, sure enough, he was still there.

Police have not yet located the stolen watch; Gray told them he threw it away shortly before his arrest.

Gray also admitted to police that he broke a window in Weisfeld's Jewelers, 122 East Main st., about noon, but said he did not take anything.

Welfare Committee To Review Program

Portland - (UPI) - The Legislative Interim Committee on Public Welfare, which meets here Thursday and Friday, will review Washington state's program for reducing welfare costs by giving vocational training to welfare recipients.

21-Months-Old Child Lost Near Kamloops, B. C.

Kamloops, B.C. - (UPI) - A 30-man hand-picked team of volunteers left here today to join a search for a 21-month-old baby missing in rough country.

Oregon Accidents Account for 13 Dead on Week End

By United Press International
Oregon counted 13 persons dead from accidental causes during the long Fourth of July week end. Seven of them died in traffic accidents, five drowned and one man was killed at his home while working on his car.

Three drownings added to the toll Monday.

Glen W. Sisco, 45-year-old Rainier longshoreman, drowned in the Columbia river near Rainier in an effort to save his son, Roger, 11. The boy, who had stepped off a ledge into deep water, was rescued by Stanley Zaske, Portland. Sisco's body was recovered late Monday.

Child Drowns
William Warren Boone, 4, Portland, drowned in a family swimming pool at Gresham. The sheriff's office said he fell into the pool while playing.

Mrs. Clara DuBois, 58, Joseph, drowned while fishing in the Lostine river after falling into swift water.

Earlier drownings Saturday claimed the lives of Steve D. Groves, 17, Eugene, in Odell lake, and Robert Ruston, 20, Tacoma, in the Pacific ocean near Gearhart.

The worst traffic accident took the lives of four men-

bers of a Redonda Beach, Calif., family just north of Roseburg Sunday morning. The victims were Harold K. Peterson, 46; his son, Harold K. Jr., 18; and daughters Ann Ruth, 12, and Sharon, 5. The mother, Mrs. Ruth Peterson, 41, remained in a hospital in serious condition.

California Girl Dies
Mary Chamberlain, 18, Ross, Calif., a student at Lewis and Clark college, was killed near Portland early on the Fourth of July in a two-car collision.

Other traffic accidents claimed the lives of Kenneth G. Goedl, 17, Powers, east of Roseburg on Saturday, and Mrs. Hazel Snook, 60, Oregon City, killed Friday night.

Clyde Comstock, 46, Pendleton, was killed Sunday when his propped-up car fell on him while he was working under the front end of the vehicle.

Two Taken Home By Mercy Flights

Two young California men, injured near Dunsuir in an automobile accident Saturday night, were flown to their home late Sunday by a Mercy Flights, Inc., plane from Medford.

Robert Coulter and Charles Lindstad, both 19, of Sunland, Calif., near Burbank, were driving north when their car collided head-on with a truck south of Dunsuir, and plunged over a 125-foot embankment, it was reported.

Both suffered severe head injuries. They were picked up by the Mercy Flights plane about midnight Sunday at Mott field, near Mt. Shasta, and flown to Burbank.

They were the 1140th and 1141st patients flown by the non-profit air ambulance corporation.

They could find no trace of her. The baby is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Masters of Copper Creek, who were visiting friends at Red Lake, 30 miles north of here.

When the youngsters had not been found by Monday morning, two lumber mills in the area shut down and workers joined the search.

Kennedy, Johnson Backers Discuss Health of Rivals

Kennedy's Office Issues Report

Los Angeles - (UPI) - Political agents of Sen. John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson dragged the health issue today into the pre-convention contest of these two rivals for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Kennedy's convention headquarters issued a medical report to back up its statement that the Massachusetts senator's physicians have found him "in excellent health and with a normal life expectancy."

By its action, the Kennedy camp in effect invited Johnson to do the same.

Kennedy and Johnson are rated in that order in early ballot strength among Democrats contesting for the presidential nomination at the national convention opening here next Monday.

John B. Connolly, chairman, and India Edwards, vice chairman of the Johnson for President Committee, held a news conference here soon thereafter. They were asked if they regarded Kennedy's remarks as an oblique jab at Johnson, 51-year-old Senate majority leader, who suffered a heart attack in 1955.

Accept Medical Challenge
They replied they would be glad to match Johnson's medical record against Kennedy's history of Addison's disease. Connolly also referred to Kennedy's long absence from the Senate in 1954 when the Massachusetts senator underwent operations for a back injury.

Mrs. Edwards said it was no disgrace to have Addison's disease but that she was wary of Kennedy's "muscle flexing" to show that "he is in better health than anyone else."

Robert F. Kennedy, brother and campaign adviser of the senator, called another news conference four hours later.

He said the senator never "had an ailment described classically as Addison's disease, which is a tuberculous destruction of the adrenal gland."

Salem - (UPI) - The state scabers quarantine on Baker county was lifted Tuesday by the State Agriculture Department, effective immediately.

Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis 3 5 1
Chicago 2 5 0
Simmons, McDaniel (7)
Smith; Cardwell, Schaffert (9) and Tappé, Averill (8).

"Boy, What Leadership!"



NOT PLANNING TO QUIT—Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) told a press conference in New York Monday that he does not intend to step aside at anyone's request in his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination. (UPI Telephoto)

Sen. Kennedy Not To Step Aside at 'Anyone's Request'

New York - (UPI) - Sen. John F. Kennedy told the nation in general and former President Truman in particular Monday he would not quit the race as a presidential candidate because of youthful strength, health and vigor is needed in the White House.

The 43-year-old Massachusetts Democrat, front runner for his party's presidential nomination, replied by point in a televised news conference to the challenge thrown at him Saturday by Truman.

Mr. Truman regards an open convention as one which studies all the candidates - reviews their records - and then takes his advice," he said.

Kennedy said he hoped the convention would consider all prospective nominees, including those Truman named and some he did not name. He did not mention Senate Majority Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas by name.

Truman's charge that Kennedy supporters used improper "pressure" on convention delegates, Kennedy said, "is not a concrete example has ever been named-I do not want any votes that have been pressured."

Recalls Primary Victories
Kennedy said his votes came from the open primaries that he entered and from rank-and-file Democrats who voted for him in state conventions.

The senator said Truman's prospective candidates did not enter one primary on their own. He said these candidates had been "properly sized up," as Truman recommended, "and they have their own backers who are not, I am told, without influence and the opportunity to pressure delegates."

Finally, Kennedy dealt with Truman's suggestion that the young congressman was not ready for the country and the country not ready for him.

The senator cited his 18 years in the service of the United States—four as a naval officer in World War II and 14 as a member of Congress.

Selective Service Office Notes Hours
Selective service officials have announced a change in office hours effective immediately until Sept. 1.

New hours will be from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Medford office will be closed Saturdays and Sundays.

The local office also reminded young men becoming 18 years old that they must register at the selective service office within five days of their birthday.

Los Angeles - (UPI) - Louisiana National Democratic Committeeman Camille F. Gravel today pleaded innocent to a drunk charge based on accusations he imbibed too freely of martinis during an airplane trip.

Austrians Show Increased Warmth For Khrushchev

Jovial Premier G greets Villagers

Imlau, Austria - (UPI) - A playful Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, sticking out his tongue at children and jovially handing out Sputnik pins, dropped in on this picturesque village today.

It was an unscheduled stop in a tour marked by a noticeable increase in warmth for the visiting Russian leader.

Here in this Salzach Valley village, Khrushchev turned on the jovial Uncle Nikita charm, shaking hands with the villagers, kissing babies and inviting everybody to visit Russia.

Reaction Becomes Warmer
The popular reaction has become increasingly warmer since Khrushchev was in Vienna, repeating the experience of other western countries during Khrushchev's tour. In many villages there were small groups of people waving flags and posters.

Khrushchev and his wife went to bed early Monday night while the other members of the party sat around and sang Russian songs.

Earlier today in Salzburg, Khrushchev studied a request for the pardon and release of former Nazi youth leader Baldur von Schirach.

The letter was written by von Schirach's wife, and was one of several the Premier received in the early mail from Austrian citizens pleading for reunions with relatives behind the Iron Curtain.

20 Per Cent of MID Water Used

Approximately 20 per cent of available storage water in Medford Irrigation district has been used with 80 per cent of the irrigation season remaining, according to MID Manager Jack Hoffbuhr.

The district has been in storage for two weeks and will irrigate about 10 weeks left. It will irrigate to Sept. 15, Hoffbuhr said.

Hoffbuhr noted that irrigation has been exceptionally heavy during the last 10 days. The next six weeks, mainly of orchard irrigation, will be the heaviest, he predicted. This is the period just before the pear harvest when orchardists irrigate heavily before crews move in and start picking.

The last four weeks in the season will be mainly for pasture irrigation, the MID manager said. As of today, Fish lake has 4,343 acre feet in available storage, and Four Mile lake has 9,946 acre feet.

Equipment Lost In Ashland Fire

Ashland - Fire of undetermined origin swept through a combination shop and tack room here early this morning, destroying about \$1,300 worth of equestrian equipment and power tools.

The building was owned by Alvin C. Athanas, 780 North Mountain ave. and was situated at the rear of his home. The house received no damage.

Ashland firemen, who answered the alarm at 12:01 a.m., said the shop was almost destroyed when Athanas discovered the fire.

Athanas said the building contained four saddles, bridles, buggy harnesses and shop tools. He had used some of the equestrian equipment in yesterday's Fourth of July parade here.

Water Main Being Installed in City
Medford city water department crews today started installation of a 6-inch water main on Harrison ave., which will serve residents on the south side of Harrison ave.

Water Superintendent Robert Lee said the project will take about 10 days to complete and should not interrupt the flow of traffic in this area. The main will extend on Harrison ave., from Valley View dr., to Sunrise ave., and then continue on Sunrise ave. to Aloha st.

Governor To Start Vacation on Friday
Salem - (UPI) - Gov. Mark Hatfield has no speaking engagements this week and on Friday he starts a vacation.

Wednesday he will greet the annual convention of the National Association of State Budget Officers in Salem.



LYNDON JOHNSON
Backers Predict Victory

Bard's Heyday Is Scheduled Sunday At Ashland Site

Ashland - The Bard's Heyday, annual event sponsored by the Tudor Guild, is scheduled Sunday, July 10, at the Oregon Shakespearean Festival Theater grounds. The Heyday, in the nature of an old English Fair, will start at 5 and last until 8 p.m. A nominal admission fee will be charged.

As has been done in past years, the Guild will set up booths, schedule entertainment, sell various articles, and provide an air of Elizabethan merry-making.

The Tudor Guild Booth will be available, including saffron bread, pasties, different types of sandwiches, fruit, cold punch, ice tea and coffee. Games Planned.

They will be games for children, according to Mrs. C. H. Putney, publicity chairman for the event, and the hobby horse and fishpond will be operating. There will be a magician, John Eads, Medford, and photographs of Shakespearean figures will be available.

Entertainment will be provided by Festival musicians and dancers, and there will be a pantomime contest between the Festival company actors.

The festival box office will be open that day from 1:30 to 5 p.m. to accommodate those who wish to purchase tickets to the plays.

The festival season opens July 25 and will continue into September.

Fire Destroys Home Of Talent Family

Talent - A Talent area family which was burned out of its home Sunday morning has received considerable amounts of clothing and some household items, according to Talent Police Chief Bill Young.

Donations for the James Huff family, including four children, have included clothing, beds and mattresses, stove and an iron. However, dishes and cooking utensils are needed now, Young said. All such items may be left at the Talent city hall.

Young said he is pleased with the public response in aiding the family. Meanwhile, the family is moving into a rented home on Anderson Creek rd.

The farm house in Yankee Gulch which the Huffs were renting burned Sunday morning as the family was having in a nearby field. The Talent rural fire department responded to the call from neighbors, but the house was engulfed in flames when firemen arrived.

Cause was given as defective wiring in the attic. The family was able to save only its deep freeze.

Moscow - (UPI) - The Soviet news agency Tass reported today that the Soviet Union has launched a rocket from Russia to a target in the Pacific ocean.

Mystery of Russian Flag at Roseburg Solved

Roseburg - (UPI) - The mystery of the home-made Russian flag atop Mt. Hebo in Roseburg was solved today with the arrest of five teen-agers, three boys and two girls, police said.

They said it was just a prank, but aroused citizens who offered more than \$500 for their arrest and conviction. Didn't think so. And neither did police, who held one of the girls, 18, for the Douglas county grand jury and turned the other four, all 17, over

Third Ballot Victory Seen By Supporters

Need for 'Seasoned' Leadership Noted

Washington - (UPI) - Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon Johnson formally announced today he will actively seek the presidential nomination at the Democratic national convention next week.

The Texan told a news conference: "My name will be placed in nomination at the Democratic convention in Los Angeles."

He added some of his supporters predict a third ballot victory for him at the Los Angeles voting.

Johnson, the leader of the Senate Democrats since 1953, became the chief rival of Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) whom Johnson slapped at repeatedly. Although Johnson had not officially entered the race, his supporters have been active for weeks.

He cited his Senate record and the need for "seasoned" leadership as his qualifications for the White House. He dwelt at length on the problems facing the next occupant of the White House.

Dig at Kennedy
"All the forces of evil in this world will stand poised, ready to strike at freedom through whatever weakness we may show," he said. "These forces will have no mercy for innocence, no gallantry toward inexperience, no patience toward errors."

This was considered a dig at the youthful Kennedy. Johnson said he had been unable up to now to jump into the race because his position as majority leader required him to be in Washington.

"Someone had to lend the store," he said. Cites Soviet Threat
Now that Congress is in recess, "I am now a Democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States."

Johnson formally entered the race three days after former President Harry S. Truman charged that the convention was rigged for Sen. John F. Kennedy (Mass.) the front-running candidate.

Reading a prepared 1,500-word statement to the crowded televised news conference, Johnson stressed the challenges that will face the next President from Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

"The next President is not going to be a talking president or a travelling president," Johnson asserted. "He must be a working President."

He said the Communists are "moving in to kill off" American leadership and to destroy the Free World itself.

Explosion Reported Off Ashland Road

Ashland - City police, firemen and local forest rangers yesterday answered several calls reporting an explosion off the Mt. Ashland loop road about three quarters of a mile beyond Crowson reservoir.

Police, who received the first call at 4:30 p.m., said the explosion had occurred in a wooded area about 30 feet down a hill from the road.

The report said the "odor of dynamite was heavy in the air," and added that those responsible apparently had tossed the explosives from the road and then fled in a vehicle.

The dynamite, the police report added, may have been part of that stolen from a powder house in the canyon more than a year ago.

Two minor fires started in the area shortly after officials arrived on the scene, but both were extinguished.

Havana, Cuba - (UPI) - Britain has lodged a strong protest with Cuba over seizure of the Anglo-Dutch Shell Oil refinery in Havana, it was disclosed today.