



Congo Stalemate

CONGO STALEMATE — Faced with a stalemate in the turbulent Congo situation, United Nations General Dag Hammarskjöld Saturday called on the Security Council to decide between the use of force in the Congo and a

middle course that would avoid interference in the infant republic's internal affairs. He said flatly that the 11,000-man U.N. force could not have entered Katanga province without the use of force. (UPI Telephoto)

Equalized Flat Grant System Adopted by Education Group

The Equalized Flat Grant system for the distribution of school funds was adopted Friday afternoon by the Legislative Interim Committee on Education meeting in Medford.

A statement by the committee said the formula will guarantee to every school district an amount necessary to

provide minimum education for every child.

This minimum program would be provided from a combination of revenues including state income tax money and a uniform property tax levy imposed at the same rate throughout the state.

In addition to these two sources, any local district re-

ceipts from the county would be used to provide this minimum educational program within the county.

Payments Included

These would include the 25 per cent of federal forest reserve payments which now are received by local school districts and 25 per cent of the county receipts from O and C lands.

"Since these O and C payments are in lieu of taxes, the committee feels there would be some justice in school districts receiving a portion of these revenues for the reduction of property taxes," the statement said.

Larry Marschat, director of research and apportionment for the State Department of Education, said that if the proposed system had been in effect during 1959-60, about one-third of the school districts would have needed to levy additional funds. The other two-thirds of the districts would have been able to decrease their property tax.

The committee continued discussion of the proposal on Saturday.

Reorganization Explained

Other speakers on Saturday were Keith Hockersmith, chairman of the Jackson county reorganization committee, who explained aspects of the Jackson county reorganization.

Also heard by the committee was Ray J. Schumaker, Jackson county assessor, who presented his five-point tax relief program.

On Friday the committee heard Freeman Homer, director of finance and administration, report on proposals by the governor's committee on reorganization. Among the proposals was the suggestion to appoint rather than elect the state superintendent of public instruction.

Other groups speaking before the committee included the Oregon Education Association and the Oregon School Boards association.

Considers Proposal

The committee is considering a proposal which would remove school administrators from tenure and would give the school board more power to dismiss teachers protected by tenure.

OEA spokesmen stated that they believed in a strong tenure law and outlined a proposal to make education more of a profession which could police itself.

Robert Sabin, of the University of Oregon, presented a report on the intermediate unit (county school office) which indicated that the role of the intermediate unit is changing with consolidation. But, it was pointed out, the intermediate unit has been a part of the school system for 100 years and can not be done away with overnight.

Another University of Oregon report, on the effect of school district reorganization in selected districts, was given by George Timmons, research assistant.

Second Person Files for Judge In Curry County

Salem — (UPI) — A second person, Sam Hall of Brookings, has filed for District Judge of Curry county.

State officials Friday were still attempting to obtain final U.S. census figures to determine officially whether Curry county has a district judgeship. It seems virtually assured that it has.

A population of 13,000 or above is required. Preliminary figures show the county with between 13,000 and 14,000 but official figures are not out.

The attorney general's office Friday advised Secretary of State Howell Appling Jr. that the law dealing with this subject is not specific except that he is required to make the determination as to whether there is a vacancy.

Earlier this week William Taylor, Gold Beach lawyer, filed for the post.

A spokesman in Appling's office said federal officials have been asked to advise them of the county's official population.

Southerners Said Less Adamant on Civil Rights

Portland — (UPI) — Southerners are becoming less adamant in their battle against civil rights, according to members of the platform committees of both the Democratic and Republican national conventions.

Miss Gladys Everett, a Democrat, and Shirley Field, a Republican, were speakers Friday at a luncheon meeting of the Portland City club.

In detailing the opposition of the southern states to the civil rights plank in the Democratic platform, Miss Everett said some of the fire has gone out of the people of the South.

"They see the handwriting on the wall," she said. She said they must protest out of loyalty to the people who elected them. "But some of the fervor has died down and they are going through the motions of protest for the record."

Both Miss Everett and Miss Field detailed the immense amount of work which goes into the formation of a national party platform. Miss Field pointed out that the preliminary work began a year ago with public meetings held throughout the country.

Fire Threatens Defense Building

Portland — (UPI) — A spectacular brush fire on the north side of Kelly Butte threatened Portland's Civil Defense headquarters Friday night before being brought under control.

The first was battled by 40 firemen and was witnessed by several hundred spectators. Two of the firemen suffered minor injuries.

The southeast Portland blaze began about 5 p.m. and it took firefighters until midnight to halt it. Ten pieces of equipment were called upon to fight the fire.

The Civil Defense headquarters is partially buried in the butte.

Brush fires also erupted about five miles south of Forest Grove and just north of Vancouver, Wash., Friday but there was no damage.

Hatfield Praises Selection by Nixon

Salem — (UPI) — Gov. Mark Hatfield Friday praised Vice President Richard M. Nixon's selection of state Sen. Anthony Yturri of Ontario as Nixon's campaign manager for the state of Oregon.

Yturri was named as Nixon's Oregon manager Friday after Wendell Wyatt of Astoria resigned. Wyatt said the pressure of personal business would keep him from giving full energies to the Nixon campaign effort.

Hatfield said the choice of Yturri "is another indication of the vice president's interest in our state." He added the Yturri's selection reflected Nixon's desire to be kept "fully informed about Oregon's progress and potential."

Eight Persons Killed in Oregon Traffic Accidents

By United Press International Traffic accidents claimed four lives in Oregon Friday and gave the state a grim toll of eight dead since Thursday morning.

An eight-year-old Portland boy, Eddie Harris, died Friday afternoon soon after he darted from a curb into the side of a passing truck on N. Columbia Blvd., south of Hodge ave.

A Concord, California woman, Lillie Catherine Costa, 57,

was thrown 40 feet to her death in a one-car accident on highway 99 17 miles south of Albany Friday afternoon.

Another woman in the car, Vert Alice Bartneck, 44, also of Concord, was hospitalized. Another woman, Mrs. Flora Cardoza, 78, Medford, was hurtled 75 feet to her death Thursday when a diesel train crashed into a stalled car at a Portland intersection. Her son, Richard L. Cardoza, 37, Portland, was in serious condition with severe head and fact cuts and fractures.

A blazing one-car accident claimed the life of Susan Holman, 20, Portland, Friday morning on Mt. Scott in Clackamas county. She was pinned in the burning wreckage of a sports car that turned over after veering from the road.

Two persons were killed and four injured Thursday night in a two-car collision near the southern limits of Oregon City. The dead were identified as Robert Cook, 18, on leave from Camp Pendleton, Calif., and Garland Chick, 41, Nampa, Idaho.

A Roseburg man, Erwin Gene Brietenbuecher, 59, died when his jeep plunged over a 55-foot embankment south of Roseburg Thursday.

Another Thursday victim was Dorothy Merit Mahmi, 36, Murphy's Camp, Scottsburg, whose body was found in a truck that had veered into the Umpqua river near Reedsport.

Charge Denied In Conflict of Interest Trial

Portland — (UPI) — Earl C. Corey denied in federal court here Friday that he was involved in business between the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Portland office of the Commodity Stabilization Service, which Corey directed, and the Three State Warehouse Co., in which he was a silent partner.

Corey's comments came as he took the witness stand in his own defense to answer charges he violated the federal conflict of interest law. On trial with Corey was Lawrence M. Smith, Waterville, Wash. The two men are accused of government wheat storage manipulation at the time Corey held his government office.

Corey said he had nothing to do with running the warehouse company. He testified that, as CSS director, he never made any moves to favor the warehouse company with wheat storage contracts.

Corey corroborated earlier testimony by Smith that Corey was a silent partner in the warehouse operation. Furthermore, Corey said, the delegation of authority "all down the line" in his government office would make favoritism almost impossible.

The case is being heard by a jury of 10 men and two women.

ALLEGED RED OUSTED

New York — (UPI) — The Immigration and Naturalization service Friday ordered the deportation of Mrs. June Gordon, 59, a native-born Russian said to have been active in the Communist party in this country for many years. The service said Mrs. Gordon entered this country illegally from Canada in 1928. She has until Aug. 15 to appeal the deportation order.

RESIDENCE DAMAGED

Laverne, Calif. — (UPI) — The ranch home where the king and queen of Thailand and their four children stayed during part of their recent visit here was damaged by fire Friday. Damage to the two-story dwelling owned by former Asst. Secretary of Commerce Henry Kearns was estimated at \$35,000.

Dog Owners Asked Not to Panic

Portland — (UPI) — Mayor Terry Schruink Friday called on Portland dog owners to keep calm over the city's new leash law.

The mayor said there had been "undue panic and concern on the part of some dog owners," who have even considered disposing of their pets.

He advised dog owners to "take a calm view of the changes necessary" under the new law. "With training and supervised play," Schruink told dog owners, a dog "will remain a healthy and happy pet."

Sanitary District Gets Large Grant

Portland — (UPI) — A federal grant of \$61,920 from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare will permit the Oak Lodge Sanitary district to begin work on 35 miles of new pipe lines and a sewer pumping station to serve more than 1,300 homes in the Jennings lodge area.

The balance of the \$226,400 needed for completion of the project has been raised by the district with general obligation bonds.



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Lane School Chief Dies in Florence

Florence — (UPI) — William Woodie, 38, Lane county superintendent of schools, collapsed and died of an apparent heart attack here Friday.

Woodie, of Eugene, was pronounced dead on the arrival of an ambulance. He was vacationing and was on the beach at the time of the apparent attack.

Woodie, who was elected to his position in 1956, suffered a heart attack three months ago.

He is survived by his widow, Martha, and two sons, aged nine and seven. Funeral services are scheduled for Tuesday at Eugene.

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