



SONG WRITER DIES—Oscar Hammerstein II, lyricist, writer and producer, died early today of cancer at his farm home near Doylestown, Pa. He was 65. Hammerstein (right), a member of one of Broadway's most famous families, created with composer

Richard Rodgers (left) some of the most successful musicals in theater history. They began with "Oklahoma!" in 1943 and kept right on going with "South Pacific," "The King and I" and, most recently, "The Sound of Music." (UPI Telephoto)

UPI Drama Editor Tells of Rodgers-Hammerstein Success Starting With 'Oklahoma!'

Editor's Note: Jack Gaver has been covering Broadway for UPI for three decades. He knew Oscar Hammerstein II well. In the following story, the UPI critic tells how Hammerstein and Richard Rodgers became partners through a quirk of fate.

By JACK GRAVER
UPI Drama Editor

New York—UPI—The last Richard Rodgers-Oscar Hammerstein musical play has been written.

Hammerstein, lyricist-poet, really—and librettist extraordinary—and a true gentleman of the theater above all, died early this morning at his country home in Doylestown, Pa., aged 65, a victim of cancer.

The vastly successful current "The Sound of Music," starring Mary Martin, at the Lunt-Fontanne Theater was the unwitting stage valedictory of the famous pair. It was while this show was in preparation a year ago that Hammerstein underwent abdominal surgery, causing him to be inactive during part of its rehearsing and tryout period.

Report Praises Political Planks On Delinquency

Washington—(CQ)—Political platform planks calling for greater efforts against juvenile delinquency were heavily underscored recently by a Senate subcommittee report on increase in youth crimes. The report was issued by the Senate Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee after a year of study and hearings. It showed: Juvenile crime has been increasing steadily for 10 consecutive years. Referrals to juvenile courts for delinquency increased 175 per cent during the 10 years from 1948 to 1958. "This figure is all the more staggering when we realize that the juvenile population increased by only 35 per cent during that period," the Subcommittee said.

The composer of that one, the late Jerome Kern, died late in 1945 as he and Hammerstein were preparing for rehearsals of the second Broadway revival of the show, which was first done in 1927. "Married" by Happenstance The "marriage" of Rodgers and Hammerstein was the result of happenstance and convenience. Starting in the theater almost at the same time as Hammerstein, Rodgers had made musical show history of his own along with the late Larry Hart as his lyric-writing partner. "Rodgers and Hart" was a show business equivalent of "ham and eggs." Rodgers and Hammerstein knew each other and regarded each other's work highly, but they were not close. Then Hart became critically ill in 1942 about the time the Theater Guild asked Rodgers to write the score for a musical

version of the late Lynn Riggs' play, "Green Grow the Grasses." Rodgers was anxious to do the show, but Hart couldn't work on it. The composer gladly agreed to Hammerstein when the Guild suggested him. The result was "Oklahoma!" and 2,248 consecutive performances, still a Broadway record for musicals. There has been no time since its 1943 premier that it hasn't been playing somewhere in the world. There followed, in order, "Carousel," "Allegro," "South Pacific," "The King and I," "Me and Juliet," "Pipe Dream," "Flower Drum Song," and "The Sound of Music." All but three were extravagantly successful. The pair became their own proter "Carousel," "Allegro," "South Pacific."

The referrals in 1958 involved 600,000 children annually (many in trouble more than once) between the ages of 10 and 17. If the trend continued, over a million children would appear in court in 1965 and over 1.4 million in 1970. Crimes ranged from traffic violations to auto theft (300,000 auto theft offenses a year, mostly by teenagers seeking joyrides), to gang wars, use of narcotics, sex offenses and violence. Causes of Delinquency The Subcommittee said the increase in delinquency resulted from a stepup in population mobility, the migration to cities of rural families not familiar with city life, wider use of the automobile and a general loosening of the family structure. Problems were intensified, the Subcommittee said, by the "tradition-bound, inefficient, uncoordinated and unimaginative" approach of state and local agencies to delinquents; by local communities' reluctance to foot the bills for really effective anti-delinquency programs (one large city, for example, started youth workers at a salary of \$65 a week); and by resulting shortages of trained personnel, particularly social workers. More and better-trained personnel were among the most urgent needs, the Subcommittee said. Of particular importance was psychological training for public school teachers so they could spot potential delinquents at the point where they were most amenable to treatment—at the very beginning of their careers as delinquents. The Subcommittee said coordinated community planning, bringing in a variety of local agencies to deal with the delinquent child at all points at which he was troubled, was essential. Federal Action The Subcommittee cited several possible approaches to federal action against delinquency, all embodied in various bills referred to it: stricter regulations of distribution of various drugs (barbiturates and amphetamines) not covered by anti-narcotics laws; establishment by the surgeon general of a post-hospital treatment program for drug addicts; federal regulation of

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Senate Nears Showdown on Medical Care

Democrats Face Threat of Veto By Eisenhower

Washington—UPI—The Senate reached the showdown stage today on the potent election-year issue of medical care for the aged with Democrats facing the threat of a presidential veto.

Sen. Jacob K. Javits, (R-N.Y.), author of the Republican plan, said before the voting that President Eisenhower would veto the Democratic proposal, backed by presidential candidate John F. Kennedy, to pay medical benefits under the Social Security program.

Vice President Richard M. Nixon, the Republican presidential nominee, endorsed the Javits measure, a somewhat broader bill than the original administration proposals.

Eisenhower was expected to spell out his views on the issue in more detail at his weekly breakfast conference with Republican congressional leaders.

The Senate was called into session at 10 a.m. (e.d.t.) for its third day of debate on the medical care proposals. A session that ran until almost 10 p.m. Monday night unanimously agreed on a timetable that could resolve the issue today.

First proposal to be voted on was Javits' plan of federal and state grants to provide funds for preventive medical care as well as treatment for serious illnesses. Persons over 65 should seek help on a voluntary basis. The plan would cost the federal government \$400 million and the states \$450 million annually.

Javits' bill, backed by Welfare Secretary Arthur S. Flemming as well as Nixon, appeared headed for defeat.

Next on the agenda was the Social Security approach introduced by Sen. Clinton P. Anderson, (D-N.M.), Kennedy and other Democrats. This plan would extend hospitalization benefits to persons over 68 on the Social Security rolls. It would be financed by a hike in payroll taxes.

An extremely close vote was expected on the Anderson version.

Both the Javits and Anderson bills were offered as additions to a plan approved by the Senate Finance Committee to increase federal grants to states which agreed to help old folks not on relief but too poor to pay their medical bills.

Salem—UPI—Oregon voters will probably have a chance to decide the key part of a drastically revised state school support program which is currently being prepared by the legislative interim committee on education.

At its meetings here Monday the committee favored submitting a constitutional amendment to the people in 1962 which would authorize a uniform property tax levy throughout the state for the "foundation" educational program.

child-adoption and baby-sale rackets; stricter regulations against obscene and pornographic materials; and federal grants for the training of youth workers and the development of general anti-delinquency techniques and programs. Of these proposals only one appeared to have any chance of passage in the post-convention session of Congress starting Aug. 8. That was a bill (S 984) sponsored by Senate Labor Committee Chairman Lister Hill (D-Ala.) and Sen. Joseph S. Clark (D-Pa.). It authorized \$5 million a year for five years in grants to the states, local communities and private non profit agencies for personnel training and development of anti-delinquency projects. The Senate passed the bill in January and a corresponding House bill (H 12108) was reported by the House Education and Labor Committee in May.

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ANY MAIL FROM BARKER'S?

Prices Move Up; Gains Wide-Ranged

New York—UPI—Stock prices moved up sharply this morning with a wide range of gains in virtually all major groups.

Trading expanded on the upside today after concentrated interest in a few pivots Monday enabled the industrial average to close above the 630.00 line for the first time since July 15.

Oils moved up strongly with Superior soaring 3 1/2 points, Richfield another 2 1/2, Skelly about 1 1/2 and a half or more for Jersey and California Standard and Texaco. Motors and steels exhibited mostly fractional gains.

Helicopters Rescue Badly Hurt Woman

Eagle, Colo.—UPI—A Missouri woman, critically injured and paralyzed in the crash of a light plane Sunday afternoon, was rescued by helicopters early today from rugged mountain country near here.

Her husband, Dr. Ellis Lynn Shultz, St. Joseph, had summoned help Monday. He and two other men on the plane were injured less seriously.

An Air Force helicopter from Lowry Air Force base in Denver airlifted Mrs. Shultz, 24, off a rainy plateau and took her to Eagle, where she was transferred to a C-47. The Air Force transport plane landed at Denver shortly after 8 a.m. and a waiting ambulance took her to Colorado General Hospital.

Rain and low clouds had threatened to delay the rescue, but Federal Aviation agency officials said that the weather cleared up suddenly and the rescuers decided to go ahead.

Hoffa Tries To Block Reelection

Washington—UPI—Teamsters' President James R. Hoffa said today he has personally contributed \$1,000 in an effort to block re-election of Rep. Phil M. Landrum (D-Ga.) co-author of the 1959 labor control law.

The truck union leader also disclosed that Rep. Robert P. Griffin, R-Mich., the other co-author, has been marked for opposition by Michigan Teamsters.

Hoffa told United Press International that the union is supporting Quill Sammon, Landrum's opponent in Georgia's Sept. 14 Democratic primary election.

Asked if he had contributed anything, he replied: "You can bet on that... \$1,000."

In addition, he said, international vice presidents of the union and business agents of four locals in Landrum's congressional district are voluntarily donating to Sammon's campaign fund.

Kennedy To Woo Ladies at 'Tea'

Washington—UPI—Sen. John F. Kennedy plans to take his version of the Boston Tea Party to the nation during his presidential campaign.

The Democratic presidential candidate had outstanding success in his home state of Massachusetts in previous political campaigns by giving tea and coffee receptions for women voters.

Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson, wife of Kennedy's sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Kennedy, scheduled a news conference today to discuss a pilot series of "coffee klatches" for women voters.

Kennedy's wife, Jacqueline, does not plan to take part in the series of receptions. She is expecting the couple's second child this fall.

Kennedy's election to the Senate in 1952 was attributed partly to the success of statewide tea and coffee parties given by his mother and sisters in Massachusetts.

Washington—UPI—The National Aeronautics and Space Administration shot an Aerobee-Hi sounding rocket 118 miles into space today from Wallops Island, Va., to measure radiation intensity from the earth.

E. B. MacNaughton, Longtime Oregon Banker, Educator, Civic Leader Dies

Portland—UPI—E. B. MacNaughton, longtime banker, educator and civic leader died at 7 a.m. today at St. Vincent Hospital here at the age of 79.

MacNaughton was president of the First National Bank of Portland for 15 years and was chairman of the board of the institution, now known as the First National Bank of Oregon at the time of his death.

He was president of Reed College for four years and president of the Oregonian Publishing Co. for several years. MacNaughton was active in many civic, state, religious and national affairs and was formerly head of the Blue Cross in Oregon.

MacNaughton came to Portland in 1903 from Cambridge, Mass., where he was born Oct. 22, 1880. Survivors include his widow, two sons, Boyd and Malcolm, both of Honolulu, and a daughter, Mrs. Stuart Kerr of Portland.

Leading Civic Role For more than half a century he played a leading civic role in Portland, in Oregon and in the nation. His father died when he was three years old, so he got an early start in the business world to help support the family. As a youngster, he delivered papers in the Harvard college yard, counting as his customers the homes of the Longfellow, Lowell and other celebrities.

MacNaughton helped work his way through Boston Tech, now Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and received his bachelor of science degree in 1902. He liked the looks of Portland, and got his first job with Edgar M. Lazarus, architect, helping to draw some of the plans for the Lewis and Clark fair buildings.

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and H. E. Raymond. He was in the construction business by himself for a time, and in 1918 became a partner with Robert H. Strong in property management, a partnership that developed into the Strong-MacNaughton Trust Co.

Interest in 1st National Bank He acquired an interest in the First National Bank of Portland in 1928 and was made vice president in 1932 serving in that capacity until 1947 when he was named chairman of the board.

In 1947 he became president of the Oregonian Publishing Co. and continued in that office until the paper was sold to the Newhouse chain.

From August, 1948, until September, 1952, MacNaughton served as president of Reed college, observing when he took that office: "I'm only here to hold Reed college together and to keep it educationally solvent until an educator is picked out as new president."

His first wife, mother of their three children, Boyd, Malcolm and Mrs. Stuart Kerr, died in 1942. In December, 1944, he married Mrs. Richard F. Scholz, widow of a Reed college professor and dean of women and faculty member at Reed for many years.

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