

## Vessel Offers Sanctuary for Visiting Nikita

New York—UPI—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev could use the liner "Baltika" as a floating communication center and meeting place safe from eavesdroppers and potential assassins.

Khrushchev is expected to travel on the Baltika to the U.N. Assembly session starting Sept. 20. The 7,494-ton liner is small compared to the large Trans-Atlantic ships, but larger than the yachts maintained by other heads of state.

The gleaming white liner could be used by Khrushchev to approach the extra-territorial U.N. enclave without being a guest of the United States. But there are two hitches.

No landing facilities are available at the U.N. East river site, so he will have to make his assault on the international body by land.

Will Be Escorted  
—He will have to enter U.S. territorial waters aboard the "Baltika" and undoubtedly will be escorted to a docking place by U.S. authorities.

But despite these limitations, the "Baltika" could be a tent in which Khrushchev could seek if things did not go his way or there was any affront to his dignity.

Khrushchev has indicated he feels the U.N. meeting should include summit meetings of the big powers, but this is not thought likely to occur due to Western reluctance.

However, with high ranking officials from Iron Curtain countries indicating a desire to attend the U.N. session, Khrushchev is expected to have side meetings with the world's Communist leaders—perhaps aboard the "Baltika."

## Aging Problem Said Unsolved

Portland—UPI—Every time a major medical problem is solved the problem of aging becomes greater, a doctor said Wednesday.

Dr. Eugene A. Stead Jr., professor of medicine at Duke University here for the Oregon State Medical Society Convention, said a little was known about aging.

"We are far from solving the problem of aging," he said, "but when we do, I'm sure we won't have to stop reproducing."

He added "I'm not sure just what kind of environment we will have on earth by that time nor do I know what places other than earth will have the right combination to support life."

People are living longer these days but medical science still doesn't know the exact nature of the process of aging, Dr. Stead said.

Some 800 physicians are attending the convention here.

## Milk Additive Bid Turned Down

Salem—UPI—The petition of Foremost Dairies, Inc., San Francisco, to add lactose to milk or milk products sold in Oregon was rejected Wednesday by the Oregon Department of Agriculture.

Lactose is a sugar. The department said it can find no evidence to support claims that the additive would greatly enhance the quality of milk.

Among other things, the dairy said lactose acts as a flavor booster and that it restores true milk flavor to skim or non-fat milk.

The department said the claims "may or may not be true," but "before we open Pandora's box by authorizing additional ingredients... we must have complete and positive evidence and proof."

## Norblad Calls for Plywood Import Probe

Stacyton, Ore. — Rep. Walter Norblad, (R-Ore.), has called for an investigation by the U.S. Tariff Commission of plywood imports into the United States.

He said a number of plywood mills in Oregon had closed and others were running on short schedules because of the volume of foreign plywood imports.

Norblad particularly cited imports of Japanese mahogany plywoods.

## Court Records

ASHLAND MUNICIPAL COURT  
Daniel E. Hooper, vehicle license expired, \$5.  
Georgia Winttingham, failure to heed traffic light, \$5.

William G. Cameron, 1223 Iowa st., disorderly conduct, \$25.  
George M. Lee, 105 Nutley st., disorderly conduct, \$25.

Gains A. Smith, 1001 North Main, disorderly conduct, 5-day jail sentence, \$25 fine.



PRACTICES—U. S. military academy cadet practices the technique of parachuting from an airplane at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia. The tower used for the jump training is 35-feet high. Graduates of the Military Academy who select Infantry as their basic branch must attend either jump training or ranger training at Fort Benning.

## Wall Street Chatter

New York—UPI—The condition of the U.S. economy is uncertain, according to the latest business conditions bulletin of the Alexander Hamilton Institute.

In spite of recent moves by the Federal Reserve to ease credit, it says, consumer demand is falling. Housing starts in the first seven months were 19 per cent below a year ago, and retail sales in July fell 3.8 per cent below last year and slightly below a month earlier.

Other indicators suggesting a discouraging picture, the institute says, are the steel operating rate and a big drop in machine tool orders.

Bache & Co. reports the recent market action in Pan American World Airways is

confirming the strength of the base which the stock has established during the past several months. While further building may be necessary, Bache says, the issue appears to have embarked on a definite upward move.

Four "Junior AT&T's" that are attractive buys, according to the Investors Advisory Institute, are: Bell Telephone of Canada, Mountain States Telephone, New England Telephone and Pacific Tel. & Tel.

Portland Said Free of Ragweed

Portland—UPI—Ragweed pollen, a serious allergy producer, doesn't exist in Portland.

Spokesman for the State Board of Health and the American Academy of Allergy said not a trace of the weed has been found by a detection station here this year.

Ragweed, they said, produces the most serious allergy of common pollens and many people move to Oregon or vacation here to escape it.

A three-year control program in Western and Southern Oregon by the State Department of Agriculture is credited with stamping out the ragweed problem here.

Legion Barbecue Planned Sunday

The Medford American Legion post will hold its annual barbecue Sunday, Sept. 11, at 3 p.m. on the new legion home site at 404 Walnut st., Medford.

The barbecue will be the kick-off for the post's 1961 membership drive, according to Keegan Townsend, post publicity director.

The Legion plans to barbecue a whole beef at the site, and will serve Spanish style beans, salad, coffee and other refreshments. Entertainment will be provided.

Phoenix Buses to Start on Monday

Phoenix—Students riding Phoenix-Talent school buses have been reminded to board the buses at the same stops as last year, but at least five minutes earlier, school officials said today. School opens Sept. 12.

Junior high students living in Phoenix will board the school bus at the Phoenix High school at 8:30 a.m. to be transported to the Talent Junior High school, E. R. James, school superintendent, said.

High school students living in Talent will board the bus at the Talent Junior High school at 8:25 a.m. for transportation to Phoenix High school.

Trail Riders Plan Watermelon Feed

The Medford Trail Riders will hold a business meeting and "watermelon feed" Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. at Casey State park. It was announced today.

Each family participating has been asked to bring a melon, and their own table service.

If poor weather prevails, riders are to telephone Lloyd Murphy, president, or Mrs. Vincent Swinney, secretary, for instructions.

## Local Boy Scouts To Attend Session Of Order of Arrow

About 20 local Boy Scouts and their leaders are scheduled to travel this week end to Camp Tsalitcoos, seven miles south of Florence, to attend an Order of the Arrow conclave.

The meeting, lasting from Friday through Sunday, will attract some 150 Scouts and their leaders from throughout the state. The Order, an honorary camping society, is headed and operated by youths to promote camping and service.

Discussion Groups  
Heading the local delegation will be Jim Schmidt, chief of the local Arrow lodge; Robert Frick, head of the lodge dance team; William Clary, Grants Pass, advisor to the chief; and Don Chilcote, Grants Pass, promoter of the camp-fire program.

While at the conclave, the boys will participate in discussion groups and "fun events," according to George Brennen, local Scout director. An election of officers also is scheduled. Elected will be a chief, a vice chief, and a secretary for the state-wide Lodge. Brennen noted that the elections are run similar to the national political conventions, in that each lodge is allowed specific votes and delegates, and "log rolling" often takes place.

Representation at the meeting will be a small percentage of the entire number of Order members. For example, the Crater Lake council is allowed 20 delegates with over 200 lodge members in the Council.

The honorary society meets three times during the year. Most of the activities are carried out in the regional troops and local groups. Highlighting the groups' events are activities connected with Indian folk lore and education.

Purpose of the Arrow is to "promote and enrich Scout camping," and the Arrow members in a local Scout council form a lodge. Elements of Indian tradition are used in their ceremonies for the "dramatic effect."

Guest speaker at the Oregon meeting this week end will be E. Urner Goodman, the founder of the Order in 1915.

Jurors Examined For Trial at Salem

Salem—UPI—The first degree murder trial of James B. Borden, 35, opened here Wednesday, with the entire day spent in efforts to approve a jury.

Examination of prospective jurors continued today.

Borden is charged with strangling Mrs. Maxine Spratt to death on July 8. At the time, he was a parolee from the Oregon State hospital.

Borden has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

Dr. Finch Creates Stir in Courtroom During Testimony

Los Angeles—UPI—Dr. R. Bernard Finch was to return to the witness stand today to tell how he shot his wife to death in the driveway of her hilltop home in nearby West Covina.

Defense attorney Grant Cooper said he would finish questioning the once-wealthy physician today about what happened that moonlight July night in 1959—then turn him over to the prosecution for cross-examination.

The prosecution contends Finch and his auburn-haired mistress, Carole Tregoff, went to the Finch home with a murder kit and a plan to kill his wife, Barbara Jean. The defense holds the shot was triggered accidentally as Finch attempted to toss the gun away during an argument over their impending divorce.

Creates Stir  
The seemingly nonchalant testimony of the greying surgeon Wednesday created a courtroom stir.

Seated in the witness box, Finch was asked by Cooper to relate a conversation he had in Las Vegas, Nev., with John Patrick Cody—an ex-convict the doctor said he hired to get divorce evidence against his wife.

The prosecution objected when Finch's answer became too general, and Cooper countered by asking: "Doctor, do you remember the exact conversation?"

"No, I don't," Finch replied. "But I can make some up if I have to."

Co-prosecutor Clifford Crail then remarked, "that's the most truthful thing he's said yet."

Several of the jurors snickered and Cooper leaped to his feet, asking Judge Leroy Dawson to cite Crail for misconduct. Dawson, however, only ordered the remark stricken from the record and advised the 11 women and 1 man in the jury to disregard what the prosecutor had said.

There will be no court Friday because of California Admission Day. On Monday, four Minneapolis police officers will testify for the defense on Cody's record and character.

Finch was then expected to resume testimony on Tuesday.

FORMER OFFICIAL DIES  
St. John, N.B. —(UPI)—Mayor D. L. MacLaren, 66, lieutenant governor of New Brunswick from 1945 to 1958, died Wednesday.

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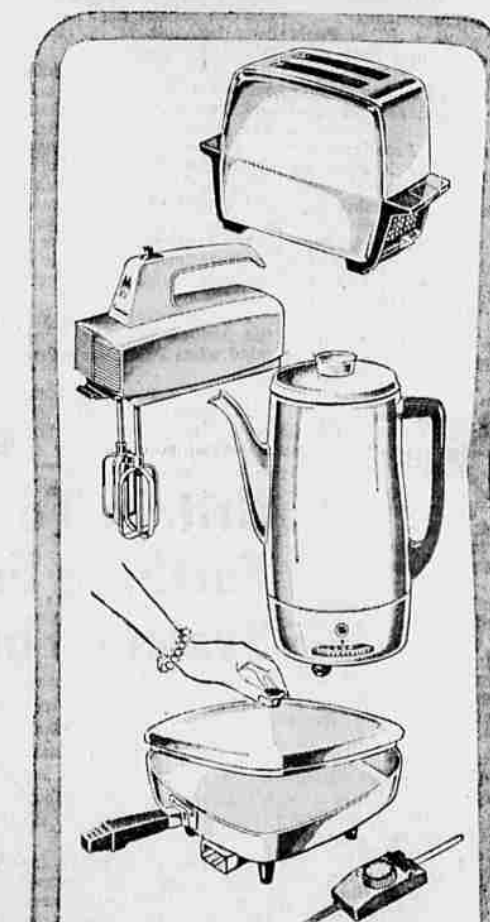


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