



WOMAN RESCUED IN EXPLOSION — Rescue workers help an injured woman to safety at the Metropolitan Department store in Windsor, Ont., after an explosion blew the store to bits. Eight dead have been counted and nearly

100 persons were injured in the blast. The explosion reportedly was caused by gas leaking from a newly installed heating system. (UPI Telephoto)

More Bodies Sought in Wreckage of Department Store in Windsor, Ont.

Windsor, Ont. — (UPI) — Rescue crews dug through the wreckage of a downtown department store today searching for the bodies of two more persons believed buried by an explosion which left eight known dead and nearly 100 injured.

The bodies of seven women were pulled from the rubble after the explosion Tuesday. Another woman died in a Windsor hospital more than seven hours after the blast, caused by gas leaking from a newly installed heating system.

Rescuers Tuesday night reported spotting two more bodies buried in the rubble.

The explosion collapsed the

front and rear walls of the two-story nearly block-wide structure and dropped the floors into the basement.

Children's dolls and grotesque Halloween masks, part of the window display, were blown into Ouellette st., Windsor's main thoroughfare.

Pieces of shattered glass were picked up a block away at the customs office at the entrance of the tunnel under the Detroit river to downtown Detroit.

Injured Flees Store

The concrete in front of the store was stained with the blood of scores of injured who, holding handkerchiefs to their lacerated faces, fled the Metropolitan Department

store seconds after the blast rocked it at about 2:20 p.m. (e.d.t.) Tuesday.

The explosion could be heard across the river in Detroit.

Rescue crews, police, firemen and soldiers worked through the night and into this morning under the glare of floodlights searching for additional bodies.

A huge bulldozer, a 25-ton crane and acetylene torches were brought in for the job of lifting the rubble from the basement. At one point, as firemen cut away a sagging portion of the roof with torches, a second fire started and rescue efforts had to be suspended momentarily.

Store manager Joseph Halford, 31, said he was in the sub-basement with a plumber and electrician working on the furnace moments before the explosion.

"We decided to open the main gas line from the street and all we got was air. All of a sudden the gas came through," he said. "I turned to leave the basement when it exploded."

Halford was hospitalized at Grace hospital with burns on the face and hands. At least 89 other persons were taken to the city's four hospitals for treatment. Some were injured seriously.

Issue of Religion in Politics Picks Up Momentum in Oregon

Portland — (UPI) — The issue of religion in the current presidential campaign was raging in Oregon today.

The state region of the National Conference of Christians and Jews said in a statement, "We deplore the injection of religion as an issue."

Leslie M. Scott, a former state treasurer, said he had signed a letter to 6,500 Masons urging them to vote against Sen. John F. Kennedy because he is a Catholic.

"We are warning our members against political designs of the Roman Catholic clergy,"

Scott said. "It is an effort to prevent engagement of the Roman Catholic hierarchy in American politics."

The committee on fair campaign practices of the National Conference of Christians and Jews said: "We deplore the injection of religion as an issue in the current presidential campaign. Such a qualification is contrary to both the letter and spirit of the Constitution." The statement was made by Dr. William B. Cate, Paul B. Bender, Lloyd Rosenfeld, Richard M. Brown and John Richard.

Nothing Personal Meant

Scott, grand chancellor of the Masonic Lodge's southern jurisdiction and who was elected state treasurer in 1940 and 1944, said the lodge does not attack Kennedy personally.

Richard said some Southern Baptist Church leaders and some other religious organizations have publicly declared that they intend to "flood the country" in these last days before the election with anti-Catholic literature. He said that next Sunday — Reformation Sunday — has been chosen by many ministers to preach anti-Catholic sermons.

Scott's letter, under the heading, "Election Call to Citizens," starts: "The Roman Catholic priesthood seeks political power in America." It

said, "Kennedy is a loyal subject of the Vatican, bound to its mandates, to its designs of annulling American freedoms."

Bernard B. Cantor, member of the Oregon Scottish Rite Lodge and secretary of the Portland Furniture Dealers Association, disclosed existence of the letter. "I resent very much this intrusion by the Scottish Rite in a matter of my personal choice," he said.

State Sen. Walter Pearson, (D-Portland), a Mason and a Shriner, criticized the letter. "Not Public Matter"

Scott was unhappy about his letter being made public.

"It's not a public matter — it's our own affair," he told United Press International.

He admitted that he had written the letter and said one of the reasons was that the "whole attitude of the Roman Catholic church is hostile to our public school system."

He said material published by the Catholic clergy had referred to American public schools as "godless."

Scott said he had received a number of telephone calls, most of them from women members of the Catholic church, objecting to his letter, but that he had received no complaints from Scottish Rite lodge members.

He said his order has no Roman Catholic members that he knows of, but added that it is the church, not the lodge, that bars such membership.

Extra Special Gifts Offered

Dallas, Tex. — (UPI) — The feature gift in the 1960 Christmas catalog mailed Tuesday by Neiman-Marcus, which operates specialty stores in Dallas and Houston, is "His" and "Hers" private airplanes.

For a total price of \$176,000, the store will deliver a seven-place Beechcraft super G18 for "Him" and a four-place Beechcraft Bonanza for "Her."

The Bonanza is white, with red trim, and there is a Russian white ermine jacket to match. The jacket adds \$2,975 to the bill.

Last year, the store, which is patronized by many Texas millionaires, featured a 1,500 pound steer, available on the hoof or dressed, with a silver beef cart for outdoor barbecues for \$3,500. There were three sold.

Two years before that, the featured item in the Christmas catalog was a stuffed tiger draped in diamonds with a price tag of \$1 million. None was sold for that price, but some customers liked the idea and had smaller tigers made up with fewer diamonds on them.

Kennedy Winner In Crook Ballot

Prineville — (UPI) — A straw ballot at Crook County High school here, which in past years has followed the national trend, gave Sen. John F. Kennedy 187 votes and Vice President Richard Nixon 179 votes for president, Principal Lloyd Lewis said today.

In Oregon races Democrats led for the U.S. Senate, 2nd district Congress, state treasurer and attorney general. The Republican candidate led in the secretary of state race.

Tax Collections Down \$733,218

Salem — (UPI) — State tax collections for the first quarter of the current fiscal year were \$20,109,260, down \$733,218 from the comparable period last year.

Receipts were down one percent from State Tax Commission estimates.

State personal income tax revenues were down 6.8 percent from last year but corporate excise taxes were 23.9 percent ahead, or \$2,597,248.

First quarter personal income taxes were \$17,260,383 compared to \$18,486,040 last year.

Frenchman Awarded Literature Prize

Stockholm, Sweden — (UPI) — French poet-diplomat Alexis Saint-Leger Leger won the 1960 Nobel Prize for literature today.

The 73-year-old Frenchman, a longtime resident of the United States and better known under his pen name of St. John Perse, was awarded the distinguished prize by the Swedish Academy of Letters for the "soaring flight and evocative imagination of his poetry, which in a visionary fashion reflects the condition of our time."

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

In Gen. 17:8 God promised to give Abraham the land of Canaan as a permanent possession. The first promise that God gave Abraham, to make of him a great nation was fulfilled at Mt. Horeb where Moses received the law and Commandments. This was after Israel had been in slavery in Egypt for 400 years. They had witnessed the ten plagues, had observed the first feast of the passover, and by the mighty hand of God had been delivered out of Egypt, across the Red Sea into the wilderness. It was completed when Israel entered into Canaan, the land of promise. It surely was a great nation of millions of people. Like the other promises, Abraham did not live to see its fulfillment. He trusted God and lived by faith.

The second promise to bless all nations through this one nation was fulfilled in Christ. This promise was spiritual and therefore referred ultimately to Christ. Gal. 3:14-17.

Ceremonies Nov. 9 For Road Opening

Yreka — Al Powers, Siskiyou county road commissioner, has announced that Nov. 9 has been set as the date for ribbon cutting ceremonies for Oberlin rd. Sen. Randolph Collier and Herb Miles, district highway engineer, will be speakers at the ceremony starting at 2:30 p.m.

Miss Gayle Soule, 17, daughter of the late Andrew Soule, designer of Oberlin rd., will cut the ribbon.

W. C. (Bill) Ealy, chairman of the county board of supervisors, will officiate at the ceremony.

Care for Alaska's Mentally Ill Agreed

Portland — (UPI) — Morning-side hospital here has signed an agreement to continue to care for Alaska's mentally ill.

The agreement was signed by Paul Winsor, commissioner of health and welfare for the new state.

The agreement provides for indefinite care for about 150 of Alaska's mentally ill.

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Stock Prices Gain To Wipe Out Big Portion of Losses

New York — (UPI) — Stocks scored their best gains in nearly a month today to wipe out a substantial portion of the losses incurred on Monday and Tuesday.

Electric lines moved up strongly featuring gains of around 6 in Texas Instruments and IBM and 2 or more in others of the group. Steels were ahead as much as 2 1/4 in Lukens, Motors as much as 1 3/4 in Ford and Chemicals well over 2 in Eastman Kodak and Union Carbide.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York — (UPI) — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 Industrials 575.18, up 9.13; 20 railroads 124.61, up 1.10; 15 utilities 91.77, up 0.60; 65 stocks 192.22, up 2.38. Sales today were about 3.02 million shares compared with 3.03 million shares Tuesday.

Today's prices on selected stocks:

Allied Chemical	42 1/2
Alum. Co. Am.	62 1/2
American Can	32 1/2
American Motors	29 1/2
A. T. & T.	90 3/4
Anaconda Copper	42 1/2
Armco Steel	60 1/2
Bentley Corp.	50 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	40 1/2
Boeing Air	29 1/2
Caterpillar Corp.	25 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	41 1/2
Continental Can	32 1/2
Crown Zellerbach	42 1/2
Curtis Wright	16 1/2
Dow Chemical	71 1/2
Du Pont	181 1/2
Eastman Kodak	100 1/2
Firestone	32 1/2
General Electric	72 1/2
General Foods	63 1/2
General Motors	42 1/2
Georgia Pacific	48 1/2
Graham Paige	17 1/2
Greyhound	20 1/2
Gulf Oil	28 1/2
Honesty Mining	46 1/2
Idaho Power	49 1/2
I. B. M.	307 1/2
Int. Paper	91 1/2
Johns Manville	50 1/2
Kaiser Ind.	81 1/2
Kennecott Copper	72 1/2

Old Fashioned Box Social Plans Made

Jacksonville — Plans for an old fashioned box social to be held Saturday, Oct. 29, are being completed this week by members of the Centennial Post of the American Legion, according to Lind McBeth, commander. Proceeds are to benefit the child welfare program of the post. The event will be held at the Jacksonville Community hall.

Live music will be furnished for dancing throughout the evening and the Black Lighters, a valley square dance group, will furnish exhibition dancing.

No admittance will be charged but women attending are asked to take decorated lunch boxes which will be auctioned. Coffee will be served by the auxiliary, with Mrs. Lind McBeth, president, in charge, assisted by Mrs. Russell Berriman and Mrs. Robert Bohl. William Nickell is chairman of the social for the Legion and assisting him are Lea Watts and Vaughn Beer. Doors will open about 6 p.m., and the auction is to be held between 8 and 9 p.m.

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