



CHRISTMAS SEAL CAMPAIGN — Mrs. Fred Brennan, Christmas seal campaign chairman for the Jackson County Tuberculosis and Health association, recently visited the Carl Vickoren family in Brownsboro to discuss the seals. Mrs. Vickoren, a former tuberculosis patient, recently spent four years in the Salem tuberculosis hospital. Shown (left to right) are Jeffery, 8; Carl Jr., 11; Vickoren; Helen, 15; Carol, 17; Mrs. Brennan; and Mrs. Vickoren. The health association spokesman told the Brownsboro family funds from the Christmas seals are used to provide chest x-rays, to promote tuberculin tests and medical research for the eradication of TB, and to promote information to the public about the disease. The former TB patient encouraged everyone to have a chest x-ray at least once a year. Also visiting the family recently was Mrs. Charles Kyer, executive secretary, JCTHA. —(Knackstedt photo)

McKenzie Pass Closes; Oregon Rivers Subside

By United Press International
Snow caused closure of Oregon's McKenzie Pass highway for the winter Friday, six weeks earlier than usual, capping a two-day storm that brought floods and forced families to evacuate their homes in the northwestern part of the state.

Most rivers subsided Friday, allowing be-dragged evacuees in Clackamas county and in spots along the Willamette river to return to their homes. Many found the ground floors of their homes soaked and covered with debris.

The weather outlook called for a let-up in near-record rains that flooded low areas, but wet snow was causing new road blockages and slides in several higher areas. The state police said heavy snow had slowed traffic to a crawl over the Willamette, Siskiyou, and Green Valley mountain passes.

Officers said a slide had completely blocked South Santiam pass, and reports indicated the tumbling snow and debris might have carried away as much as 75 feet of the highway.

The Willamette river in northwestern Oregon continued to rise from Corvallis to the mouth of the river. It was expected to crest at Albany and Salem Saturday, overflowing in some sparsely-settled lowland country.

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Gasoline Prices Go Up Again in Salem

Salem — (UPI) — Gasoline prices were on their way back up here Saturday in what retailers hoped was the end of a three and a half month gas price war.

Some stations had raised their prices for regular to 36.9 cents per gallon. Others had not yet raised their prices. One operator said he would continue selling regular for 27.9 cents a gallon until he saw his field representative but he said he expected to go up to 35.9 cents per gallon before tomorrow.

During the price war, lowest price for gas in Salem was 25.9 cents a gallon, for regular.

1960 U.S. Election Closest on Record

Washington — (UPI) — The year was more evenly divided than ever before, a United Press International tabulation indicated Saturday.

With reports in from all but four of the 166,263 polling places, the vote count put Sen. John F. Kennedy only 174,800 ballots ahead of Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

The tabulation showed:
Kennedy 34,130,713
Nixon 33,955,913

This gave Kennedy 50.13 per cent and Nixon 49.87 per cent of the 68,086,626 votes cast for the major party candidates. This is the narrowest margin on record. The closest margin in any previous election was the 50.15 to 49.85 per cent by which Democrat Grover Cleveland topped Re-

publican James G. Blaine in popular votes in 1884.

GUARANTEE BACKS EGGS

London — (UPI) — A British egg firm plans to market a high quality product to be known as the "Rolls Royce of eggs" next spring.

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TO SERVE OLIVES

Washington — (UPI) — Ripe black pitted olives soon will be on the menu in U.S. schools for the first time under the government's free school lunch program, it was reported Friday.

St. Paul — An average flock of young hens will produce 180 eggs per bird a year.

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EAGLE SCOUT AWARD — Gary Bigham, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bigham, 1208 Murray ave., Medford, is pictured with his parents after receiving his Eagle award at a Boy Scouts of America court of honor held for local Troop 13 recently. Bob Church (far right), who presented the award, is shown talking with the youth's father. The Eagles Charge was given by John Jones, Explorer scoutmaster from Ashland, and the boy also received his Emergency Service award. He has earned a total of 25 merit badges. Also during the ceremonies, Terry Hinesly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hinesly, was presented an Emergency Service award. Receiving Life awards were Stephen Roemer and Mickey Merton, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roemer and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Merton, respectively. The Scout group is sponsored by the Presbyterian church men's club.

Escaped Convict Sends Document To Prison Heads

Spokane — (UPI) — A writ of habeas corpus was received in the mail here Friday from Gordon N. Graham, 28, Seattle, who escaped with another convict from the state penitentiary in Walla Walla Wednesday.

The document, neatly typed, contended that the minimum sentence imposed on Graham was invalid on grounds that the legal maximum for robbery is 10, not 20 years. Graham was sentenced after he pleaded guilty last September to armed robbery in which a Spokane grocery was held up.

The writ was mailed from the prison the same day Graham escaped with Joseph Nichols, 29. The two were believed to be hiding somewhere in northern Idaho today.

Frank Johnson, chief criminal prosecutor for Spokane county, filed the writ.

"It will be acted upon," Johnson said. "We'll file it until he's caught. The only purpose for such a writ is to gain release from custody. Graham's release was self-executed."

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Commission Will Propose Costly Education Plan

Boston — (UPI) — President Eisenhower's National Goals Commission will recommend a detailed plan of improvement in American education at a cost that in 1970 will be double the present public and private outlay, it was disclosed Saturday.

Erwin D. Canham, editor of the Christian Science Monitor and a member of the President's commission, said in a speech to the National Council for the Social Studies here yesterday that the education program would cost taxpayers \$33 billion by 1970.

"We felt the goal for Americans in this decade should be that at least two-thirds of the youth in every state should complete 12 years of schooling and at least one third should enter college," Canham said.

He said the commission agreed that small and inefficient school districts should be consolidated and the number reduced from 40,000 to 10,000; that every state should have a high-level board of education; that two-year colleges should be within commuting distance of most high school graduates and graduate school capacity must be approximately doubled.

Canham said the commission's report would consist of 10,000 words in addition to about 140,000 words of background papers by outstanding authorities covering the 16 areas of national concern.

"The report is moderate. It does not go as far in the direction of drastic action on the one hand or of caution on the other as many would have wished.

Regulations Lifted On Columbia River

Portland — (UPI) — There will be no further speed regulations imposed on commercial vessels in the Columbia river ship channel, according to Brig. Gen. Emerson C. Itchner, the Chief of Engineers in Washington, D.C.

The Port of Portland made the announcement Friday. The Port has been working with other port authorities, the Corps of Engineers, the state marine board and steamship and towboat operations on the threat to small-boat moorages in the river caused by the wave wash from passing commercial ships.

Itchner, in a letter to Port of Portland officials, said that the right of navigation as it now exists should remain. He said that future moorage applicants should be made fully aware of possible hazards and the structural requirements needed to safely operate in river areas.

OSU Lamb Wins Top Prize in Chicago

Chicago — (UPI) — "Buddy," a 94½-pound Southdown lamb, shown by Oklahoma State university, Saturday was named grand champion wether of the 61st annual International Livestock Exposition.

The victory was only one of many top prizes carried off by state universities as adult competition began at the giant exposition.

Man Shot While Holstering Pistol

Gunshot wounds from target and fast-draw practice continue to crop up in the county.

State police reported that Clarence James Brabec, 44, of route 1, box 406, Central Point, accidentally wounded himself in the calf of his left leg yesterday while holstering a .22 caliber pistol following a target-shooting session with his son, Clarence James, Jr.

State police received the report from a local doctor after Brabec was treated. Officers said Brabec evidently slipped the pistol into a holster in his right hip pocket and in doing so fingered the trigger discharging the weapon.

Posthumous Awards Go To Portland Officers

Portland — (UPI) — Two Portland policemen, killed while on duty in 1956, have been named recipients of the Medal of Merit for Valor, highest award in the law enforcement profession.

The posthumous awards were made to Roy E. Mizner and Vernon J. Stroeder, both killed when another automobile struck their police car. Their names will be placed in the National Police Hall of Fame in Port Charlotte, Fla.

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