

Ashland Council Passes Dance Hall Bill at Meeting

Ashland - Routine business was handled by the Ashland city council in an hour last night, but the council bogged down on an emergency ordinance which eventually was given unanimous approval.

Discussed at length was a dance hall ordinance presented by City Attorney Harry Skerry. The action was taken as a measure to control dance halls and areas surrounding them. It was drawn up on the basis of state statute, and will be put into immediate effect.

Included in the ordinance are a requirement that a dance license must be applied for; a guarantee of an orderly house and surroundings; posted bond of \$500; no intoxicating liquors on the premises; no dancing between 1 and 6 a.m., and a surety bond signed by 12 free-holders.

The dance hall measure applies to all public places where admission is charged, exceptions being social clubs or school groups giving dances for charity or entertainment. These may apply for temporary license without bond. Also excepted are commercial dance schools and restaurants which have dancing in connection with their service.

Approval of the emergency measure was unanimous, and Police Chief Herb Hays was instructed to begin immediate enforcement.

In other action, the council voted to act on a recommendation of the planning commission and decided a 23-foot strip on Clark st. to the Presbyterian church for angle parking, leaving a 47-foot street.

A petition for crosswalk on Siskiyou blvd. in front of the Assembly of God church was approved, contingent upon an approval from the state highway representative who will visit Ashland this week.

Beverage license renewals for Hamby's Drive-in and for the Oregon Foods Store were approved; on petitions of property owners, the name of Jackson st. will be changed to Lit Way; a free 5-minute parking meter will be installed for patrons of the city offices, and windows at the city hall are to be painted in keeping with the surrounding Christmas decorations.

Upon receipt of the resignation of Arnold Bauder, who has moved to Portland, Mayor Richard Neill appointed Floyd

Vogel to Bauder's position on the planning commission. The appointment received unanimous approval.

Councilman Glenn Revel suggested that a study be made of the city's annexation and water supply problem "which must be faced eventually if Ashland is to grow." Brochures on the Talent Irrigation district water use were distributed and will be the basis for discussion at the next council meeting Dec. 20.

Khrushchev Sick With Influenza, Wife Discloses

Moscow - (UPI) - Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev has been ill in bed with what his wife called "a touch of influenza."

A UPI dispatch from Moscow reporting his illness was held up by censorship from noon Tuesday until this morning.

Mrs. Nina Khrushchev disclosed her 66-year-old husband's illness to Mrs. Cyrus Eaton, wife of the American industrialist, Tuesday. There was no official announcement of the premier's illness, but he cancelled social appointments including a Kremlin reception for United Arab Republic Vice President Abdel Hakim Amer Tuesday night, and a round of celebrations today saluting Sino-Soviet friendship.

Mrs. Eaton was a guest for tea at the Khrushchev home outside Moscow Tuesday, and it was there she learned of Khrushchev's illness.

Mrs. Khrushchev told her, Mrs. Eaton said, that the premier was "in bed with a chest cold and a slight temperature, and the doctor is not allowing him to get up yet."

Mrs. Eaton quoted Mrs. Khrushchev as saying "I don't think it is anything serious. He has a touch of influenza, I think."

300 Cars Studied In Slaying Case

Portland - (UPI) - Detective Capt. Gordon Auburn said today police have investigated 300 maroon car reports in the search for a missing coed and the slayer of her boyfriend without turning up anything solid to help solve the case.

The reports are continuing to come in, he said. Auburn said the description of a car reported seen near where Larry Ralph Peyton, 10, was stabbed to death and Beverly Ann Allan abducted the week end of Nov. 26-27 was the most promising lead so far.

The car was described as a 1940 to 1951 model with a grille bar broken out, painted with a dull maroon primer coat and with a streak of black primer almost the entire length of the car on the passenger's side.

Auburn said he discounted reports of a red and white car seen in Spokane since the description did not tally. Reward for solving the case was upped to more than \$2,000 Tuesday.

Grange Notes

Upper Rogue Grange The Upper Rogue Grange held its monthly business meeting in the Grange hall Thursday, Dec. 1, with Master Eda Torrance presiding. Roll call indicated all officers but one were present.

HEC Chairman Gay Chamberlain reported the Christmas party will be held at Eastin's Rogue Haven Thursday, Dec. 8, with a potluck luncheon at 1 p.m. An exchange of gifts will follow.

Paul Torrance reported on Grange insurance. During the lecture hour eight men put on a comic square dance with Arlee Ragsdale doing the calling. Mr. and Mrs. Vic Chapman and Caroline Harding served chili and beans after the business meeting.

Thursday evening, Dec. 15, will be the Christmas dinner at 7 p.m. with the Grange furnishing chicken. Members are to bring salad, vegetables or dessert.

Douglas Assessor's Funeral Thursday

Roseburg - (UPI) - Funeral services will be held Thursday for Morris Crawford Bowker, 61, Douglas county assessor, who died Monday following a cerebral hemorrhage.



MODEL OF BOMBER-This is a full-scale model of the Bell D188A, a supersonic jet fighter-bomber able to take off or land vertically and operate under combat conditions from small, easily concealed fields. Bell engineers say the D188A, powered by four wing-tip engines and two rear-fuselage engines, will exceed Mach two in level flight. (UPI Telephoto)

Negro Borough President Guilty Of Conspiracy

New York - (UPI) - It had been seven months and one hung jury since Manhattan's first Negro borough president, Hulan E. Jack, had sat behind his desk in the Municipal Building, but still he was jaunty and smiling Tuesday when he entered a courtroom a few blocks away.

The smile vanished at 5:05 p.m. Jack, who receives \$25,000 a year and is the nation's highest-paid Negro in elective office, will probably never sit down at that desk again. Went for Remodeling A jury of five women and seven men, after deliberating less than five hours in his second trial, convicted him of two counts of violating the city charter by accepting a \$4,400 loan from a white real estate operator, who was seeking city business, and of one count of conspiring with the real estate man to keep the loan a secret. The money went for remodeling Jack's six-room Harlem apartment.

Jack was acquitted of a fourth charge - accepting an illegal gratuity-but conviction on even one count meant he must give up his job.

Jack also faces a possible sentence of up to three years in prison and fines totaling \$1,500. Judge Joseph A. Sarafite set Jan. 16 for sentencing and released Jack on parole. Jack's attorney said he would appeal.

Letters Received In Newhouse Case

Portland - (UPI) - Three more secret witness letters have been received about the Oct. 15 shotgun wounding of Oregonian production manager Donald Newhouse, police said today.

The letters were in response to the \$10,000 reward offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the assailant who shot the newspaper executive as he worked in a basement work room of his home.

The reward money has been offered by the Oregonian and the Oregon Journal.

Deputy State Fire Marshal Hurt in Crash

Portland - (UPI) - Mervin J. Gilson, 63, deputy state fire marshal, was one of five persons injured in a two-car collision on Barbur blvd. here. Gilson and his wife, Violet, 57, both of Salem, suffered lacerations and bruises. Mrs. Gilson also suffered a broken leg. Also injured were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beasley and a daughter, Vickie, 2. Their injuries were not serious.

Portlander Presumed Drowned in Columbia

Portland - (UPI) - Thomas Harry Parker, 34, Portland, was presumed drowned in the Columbia river Tuesday after an accident on a dredging job near Dodson.

Sheriff's officers said Parker was trying to free a chain on a barge when he fell into the "bin" and was washed into the river with rocky material.

Grants Pass Justice Of Peace Appointed

Salem - (UPI) - Gov. Mark Hatfield Tuesday appointed Louis L. Rafferty, Grants Pass, as justice of the peace for the Grants Pass district. He succeeds Lawrence A. Achenbrenner who resigned. In November Achenbrenner was elected Josephine County district attorney.

X15 Test Pilot Completes Work On Rocket Ship

Edwards AFB, Calif. - (UPI) - Scott Crossfield, daring test pilot who has devoted five years to development of the rocket ship X15, completed his toughest flight of the craft and quipped, "I'm out of work."

For Crossfield, Tuesday's eight-minute flight of the 50-foot craft with the world's biggest airplane engine marked his 13th and last scheduled stint at the X15's controls.

Nearly Ready For the government, the highly successful flight demonstrated the X15 is nearly ready for a series of tests that is expected to climax next spring in the thrust to the edge of space 100 miles high and at speeds of 4,000 miles an hour.

A pilot for either the Air Force, Navy or National Aeronautics and Space Administration will be at the controls for the flight, but Crossfield will be there beside him, in spirit at least.

Life Repeatedly Risked The X15 has been Crossfield's life since North American Aviation signed him in 1955 to make the preliminary test of the craft that at that time was only a dream he has repeatedly risked his life to make real.

Asked following his final schedule flight what his most memorable moment has been, Crossfield said, "that occurred five years ago next Monday when they hired me to fly it."

In Sharp Bank Crossfield in the Tuesday flight banked the X15 in a sharp 90-degree turn with engine roaring, subjecting himself to the terrific force of six Gs, equal to six times the pull of gravity at sea level.

He flew across the clear sky above this Mojave Desert base at speeds of around 1,900 miles an hour 10 miles high. Briefly he cut in the huge 57,000-pound thrust engine at full power, but he kept his air brakes on full-force to keep the craft's velocity down.

Jury Seated for Idaho Murder Case

Gooding, Idaho - (UPI) - Testimony was to start today in the first degree murder trial of Roger Hall, 22, Crescent City, Calif., charged with the slaying of an Oregon man in the summer of 1959.

Four women and eight men were seated as jurors Tuesday. Hall is charged in connection with the fatal shooting of Dr. John Hunt, a plant pathologist from Portland.

Dr. Hunt was killed in August of 1959 while driving east to accept a position at Yale University. The man's body was found in his car in the desert near Bliss.

CANAL DISTANCE Hawaii is 4,665 miles distant from the Panama canal.

Merger of Protestant Church Groups Said Working in India

San Francisco - (UPI) - U. S. church leaders were told today that a merger of the Presbyterian, Episcopal, Methodist and Congregationalist churches in India has proved to be "an unqualified blessing to all concerned."

The statement was made by the Rt. Rev. J. E. Leslie Newbigin, a bishop of the Church of South India which was formed by the four-way merger in 1947.

Bishop Newbigin's report to the General Assembly of the National Council of Churches attracted special interest because a proposal was made here Sunday for merger of the same four Protestant denominations in the United States.

Bishop Newbigin declined to comment directly on the U. S. merger proposal, put forward by the Rev. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, stated clerk of the United Methodist church. But he said India's experience has shown that Protestant bodies of widely different traditions can unite "very harmoniously."

Church Was Strengthened "We have learned a great deal from each other," he said. "The coming together of our churches has greatly strengthened the Christian witness in India."

At a news conference, Bishop Newbigin said that the response of rank and file church members to the merger has been "overwhelmingly favorable."

He said the basic motivation for reuniting the church is not to achieve increased strength or efficiency, although those are welcome by-products, but to obey God's will.

"Divisions among Christians dishonor Christ," he said. "If we cannot live together in one family we have somehow misunderstood the gospel."

The Rev. Dr. James I. McCord, president of Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, N.J., told the assembly that the cooperation which Protestant and orthodox denominations have achieved through such bodies as the national and world councils of churches is good, but "it is not enough."

"The challenge of our times can be met by nothing less than a willingness on our part

to take a radical step forward in our quest for visible, corporate unity," he declared. At a business session Tuesday night, the assembly adopted a resolution calling on U.S. church members to give "more vigorous support" to the United Nations and its specialized agencies and programs.

The resolution said Americans should "prepare themselves" for the possibility that this country "may find itself outvoted in the United Nations on some issues" that arise in the future. If this happens, the assembly said, Americans should accept it as "democracy at work on a worldwide scale" and should continue to give their whole-

hearted backing to the U.N. The assembly also called for the United States and other prosperous nations to share their abundance with undeveloped countries "on a vastly increasing scale." Warning that economic and technical aid programs are still inadequate to the need, the resolution said: "It is both out of date and dangerous for a minority of mankind to live in abundance surrounded by misery."

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