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Official Speeches Must Follow Line Of Administration

Salinger Confirms Burke Rewrote Talk

Washington — UPI — The White House acknowledged Saturday that orders have gone out to government officials and military chiefs that their speeches must reflect Kennedy administration policies.

Presidential News Secretary Pierre Salinger confirmed that at the behest of the White House, Adm. Arleigh A. Burke deleted sharp criticism of the Soviet Union in a speech this week.

This confirmed an assertion by Sen. Styles Bridges (R-N.H.) who charged Friday that a "gag policy" had been clamped on the Pentagon. Bridges, chairman of the Senate GOP policy committee, claimed that Burke, chief of Naval operations, had been ordered to rewrite the speech, prepared for delivery at a national business publications dinner.

Eliminates References

He said Burke had to eliminate all references to hostile Soviet actions except for a remark about "Communist ambition to dominate the world."

Salinger, in explaining the Burke episode, said: "Members of the administration, speaking at private functions, should represent administration policy."

He explained further that he had referred to "private functions" to distinguish from testimony before Congressional committees, where he said military officials were, of course, free to state their own opinions.

He said speeches of administration officials would be subjected to review to see that they reflect administration policy. He called the procedure "strictly routine" and said it had been followed in past administrations.

Sports Bulletins

Klamath Falls — Klamath Falls solidified its hold on first place in Southern Oregon conference basketball last night with a 73 to 58 victory over Medford. Bob Quinney of Medford led scoring with 25 points. Bruce Brickner totaled 20 for Klamath.

Central Point — Grants Pass high clipped Crater 70 to 59 here last night in a Southern Oregon conference basketball game. Loyd Higinbotham had 25 points for Crater and Clyde Murray 20 for the Cave-men.

Butte Falls — Medford St. Mary's whipped Butte Falls 48 to 40 here last night. The Crusaders held a 33 to 32 lead going into the final quarter. Butte Falls led at halftime 21 to 19.

Oregon 75, Seattle 64
Oregon State 74, Washington 46
Oregon Tech 70, Oregon College 64

Eastern Oregon 64, Portland State 57 (o.t.)
Linfield 80, Willamette 73

PUC Head Grants Two Applications For Logging Road

Salem — Public Utility Commissioner Jonel C. Hill said Friday he has approved two applications involving the construction and conversion of crossings required by the realignment and conversion of the Medford Corporation railroad to a private log truck road.

Medco's railroad, Hill noted, is scheduled to be moved at the Medford end of the line as a result of the construction of an interchange between Highway 62 and the new Interstate Highway 5.

According to the state highway commission, Medco has chosen to convert the railroad to a private truck road at this time. The commission, in relocating the section of the road, had applied to the PUC for authority to build overcrossings at Biddle rd., and at the interstate highway, and to convert the grade crossing at Bullock county road from a rail to a road crossing.

Pays for Section

Hill noted that the highway commission is paying for the construction of this section of the private road and the two overcrossings.

In the second application, Medco had applied for authority to convert the existing crossing of Highway 99 to a private road crossing.

In its application, Medco

agreed to reimburse the state highway commission for all special and unusual maintenance costs brought about by the passage of its log trucks, as well as for the conversion of the crossing, Hill noted.

Conversions of the highway at the crossing will require strengthening a section 30 feet wide to carry the 120,000 pound loads imposed by the off-the-road type logging rigs used by Medco.

Warning Lights

Part of the cost of conversion covers the installation of flashing advance warning lights and flashing traffic control lights which will be activated by the log trucks, Hill added.

Hill said engineering studies submitted by the highway department indicated that the designated traffic control system would create the least disturbance to the flow of traffic on Highway 99.

The "demand type" traffic lights only operate when a truck approaches the crossing, and will only stop traffic for a maximum of 24 seconds, with a minimum elapsed time between stops of 50 seconds.

Since most all of the truck traffic will use the crossing during daylight hours, the crossing will generally be unused at night, Hill noted.

Work Is Scheduled On Lake Facilities

Ice skating on Howard Prairie lake has halted temporarily and work is continuing in preparation for the spring and summer recreation seasons. City-Country Parks and Recreation Director Bob Haworth said Saturday.

The Jackson county court Friday decided to extend the boat ramp at the lake an additional 650 feet. This 30-foot wide extension will carry the ramp into the water even during the height of irrigation season when the lake will be lower than usual, Haworth explained Saturday.

"Based on present water supply forecasts the shore line will extend 500 feet from the present ramp length if we get normal moisture from here on into spring," Haworth said. "Extension of the ramp will put the boats in a foot of water, based on present estimates."

Estimated Cost

Base rock and perhaps a fine gravel cover will comprise the ramp extension which has an estimated cost of \$1,000, Haworth said he was told by the county engineer's office.

This October, an addition was put on the concrete ramp widening it by 60 feet. This was of base rock and cinder covering. Haworth did not know when the extension would be added, possibly as soon as weather permits.

Meanwhile there will be no skating permitted officially on the lake, he said. A six to eight foot river of water now

separates the five-inch thick ice from shore. If freezing weather should occur in the future skating may be officially authorized again, he said.

Haworth said he understood that Howard lake will be used as reserve water for Emigrant which must be filled for the next season. Hiatt lake was lowered earlier and must be filled, also. This further complicates the problem of having a ramp which will take the boats directly into the water.

Clearing Brush

Welfare work crews under county direction have been clearing brush at Howard Prairie lake for the last two or three weeks, Haworth said. The men have been cutting wood, also, to be used for firewood during the camping and picnic season.

The welfare crews already have constructed 20 picnic tables in the county shops. Most of these will be placed at Emigrant lake and Hooper springs for picnickers and perhaps also at Howard Prairie.

Haworth hopes to get work started at Howard Prairie May 5 for final preparations for the summer season. A dock system must be constructed, additional restroom facilities and possibly, a headquarters building, Haworth noted that the county court has not yet committed itself to constructing the building which would house a restaurant, store and caretaker's quarters.

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National Officers To Attend Medford Legion Convention

3,000 Legionnaires Expected for Meet

Several national officers of the American Legion and its auxiliary are scheduled tentatively to speak here during the Oregon convention scheduled for June 22, 23 and 24 in Medford, according to Eugene Orr, convention chairman.

"We also expect to have 3,000 Legionnaires and auxiliary members in town all that week," Orr said. "Including events scheduled for the Legion and its subsidiaries, such as the 40 and 8 and the women's 8 and 20, convention week will feature 12 breakfasts, luncheons and banquets."

The national president of the auxiliary and two past national auxiliary presidents will be in Medford for the convention, Orr said. Tentatively scheduled to speak here are the National Commander William Burke, Calif., and Gov. Mark Hatfield.

Opens Thursday

The convention opens Thursday morning, June 22, with registration in the convention headquarters, the Medford hotel. A banquet will be held Thursday night at the country club.

Two parades are scheduled, one on Wednesday for the 40 and 8 and the women's group and another on Friday afternoon for all the Legionnaires. An American Legion drum and bugle corps contest is slated for 8 p.m. at the Medford high school field Friday.

The convention office will be at Weeks and Orr furniture store at 830 North Central ave. and the convention programming and publicity office will be at 630 North Central ave. in the office of Jennings Pierce and Associates.

Newspaper Story Said Misleading

A news story in Friday's Mail Tribune, reporting the recommended denial of a zoning variance by the Medford planning commission, was criticized Saturday as containing a "half-truth," but a member of the commission upheld the story as being "quite accurate."

Clarence L. Miller, whose request for a variance to operate a kindergarten at the Congregational church, 300 Oakwood ave., was denied by the commission, said: "The report in question is inaccurate and it is detrimental to the best interests of many of the kindergartens in the city."

Miller said: "Referring to my comments the article states, 'He contended that the existing kindergartens in the city are not aimed at preparing the child for school.' Your reporter failed to add that this remark referred in words to kindergartens that are operated in connection with dancing."

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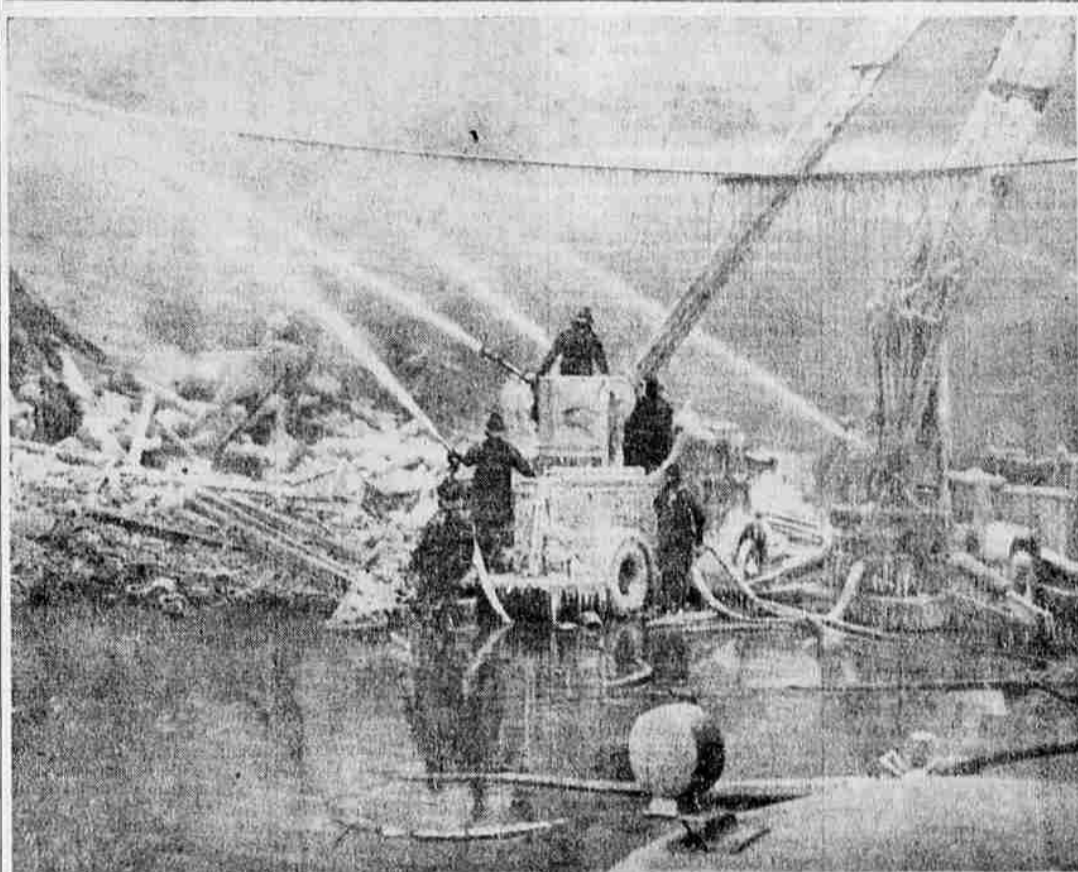
Man Jailed After Fight Over \$5 Debt

Robert Lee Thomas, 21, 843 Diamond ave., Medford, was lodged in the Jackson county jail Saturday night on charges of assault and battery.

Medford police said Thomas is accused of beating John Middleton Permenter, 21, of 802 East Jackson st. The alleged beating was the result of a dispute over a two-year-old \$5 debt Permenter allegedly owed Thomas' wife, police said.

Permenter is in Ashland General hospital with a fractured jaw and nose and multiple bruises of the chest. The incident was reported at 5:20 p.m. Friday.

Navy, Rebels Plan Meeting



ICE-COVERED — Chicago firemen, working in 5-degree weather, are shown spraying water from an ice-covered vehicle toward the smoking ruins of two big storage buildings Saturday. At least eight firemen perished in the blaze. —(UPI Telephoto)

Rendezvous Will Take Place Off Brazilian Coast

Removal of Captives Topic of Discussion

Recife, Brazil — UPI — The commander of the U.S. Navy Caribbean sea frontier last night arranged a rendezvous at sea with the hijacked Portuguese liner Santa Maria, presumably to discuss removal of passengers.

A U.S. Navy spokesman at Recife, a northern Brazilian port, said the meeting would take place 50 miles at sea.

Although the Brazilian government rescinded an order grounding U.S. Navy planes that had been tracking the ship, the Navy's Caribbean sea frontier headquarters in San Juan, P.R., announced that all American planes were to be pulled out of Recife and Belem by this morning.

Adm. Allen Smith Jr., the commander, flew to Belem, the other major Brazilian northern port, yesterday and planned to board the destroyer Wilson.

To Transport Admiral

The Wilson, now steaming at full speed for Belem, was to take the admiral to the rendezvous, the spokesman said.

Should the Navy be called upon to remove the 620 captive passengers, including 42 Americans, the Navy said three more destroyers were en route to the area and could be used for that purpose.

Cmdr. William Webster, Navy spokesman at Recife, said the U.S. Navy's sole interest was in protecting the lives of the passengers, now entering their second week of buccannery aboard the Portuguese luxury ship.

The American Navy "only wants to spare human lives," Webster said.

Threats End Chances

Threats that Brazil would impound the vessel and turn it over to Portugal if its rebel commander went ahead with plans to dock at Brazil blew up chances of a quick and easy ending to the week-long saga of the 20,000-ton Santa Maria upon the Spanish Main.

Admiral Robert L. Dennison, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet at Norfolk, Va., said a rendezvous at sea with a U.S. Navy destroyer on Monday was one of several plans "under consideration."

Dennison has been in contact with Henrique Galvao, the swashbuckling Portuguese rebel who seized the ship with 70 Spaniards and Portuguese desperadoes last Sunday morning.

The fleet commander said he still was negotiating with Galvao by radio.

Ship Slowed Down

Santa Maria was slowed down by engine trouble but its course was still toward the coast of Brazil—most probably the port of Recife.

Reports said the Navy considered sending a destroyer to meet the Santa Maria 50 miles offshore.

The destroyer Wilson was en route to Belem, the other major north Brazilian port. It could easily be diverted.

The U.S. atomic submarine Seawolf was trailing the Santa Maria. A covey of U.S. Navy weather tracking planes also were keeping an eye on it, mainly interested in the protection of the 42 Americans aboard.

SOC Construction In College Program

Salem — UPI — The House Tax committee Friday approved a \$10 million Oregon college building program for the next two years.

The committee voted out "do pass" HB 1101, which would hike the state system of higher education's bonding limit from \$24 million to \$34 million.

The bill originally provided for \$32 million but John Richards, chancellor of the system, asked for another \$2 million and that was okayed.

Included in the bill are program for Southern Oregon college are student health service building, athletic facilities and an addition to a resident hall.

Jetliner Crash Kills Six Men

Riverhead, N.Y. — UPI — A huge \$5 million American Airlines Boeing 707 Jetliner nosedived into the Atlantic surf off a lonely windswept Long Island beach Saturday while performing training flight maneuvers. All six crewmen apparently were killed.

One of the four jet engines was ripped from a swept-back wing as the plane fell. The plane exploded about a quarter mile offshore.

The Coast Guard said one body had been recovered. Two others were sighted but had not been brought to shore. The other three bodies were missing.

The crash in sunny weather came just three days after American Airlines completed two years of domestic Jet operations without the loss of a single passenger.

Third NY Crash

It was the third Jet crash in the New York area in six weeks and the sixth disaster involving a commercial jet airliner in the United States.

The U.S. Coast Guard reported that the 248,000-pound aircraft, capable of carrying up to 179 passengers, "exploded in the air." The wreckage fell on a wide, dune-edged strip of snow-coated sand near the spot where would-be German saboteurs slipped ashore from a Nazi submarine during World War II.

The crash occurred at 12:55 p.m. EST during a training flight out of the Grumman Aviation company airfield on Long Island. American Airlines uses that field for its practice flights, which are made over the Atlantic or sparsely settled areas.

Edward R. Murrow Named USIA Chief

Washington — UPI — President Kennedy Saturday named veteran broadcaster Edward R. Murrow to head the United States information agency. He also appointed a foreign aid director and announced a string of other selections for his new administration team.

His choice of Murrow and of Henry Richardson LaBouisse as director of the international cooperation administration had been anticipated. The other nominations made public Saturday will fill out key positions at the United Nations and in the federal housing administration.

The selections were announced as Kennedy conferred with a group of his top foreign policy and defense advisers in what the White House called "a continuation of the policy review which was initiated last week."

Rayburn Plans Fight For House Control

Washington — UPI — Speaker Sam Rayburn Saturday challenged a southern Democratic-Republican coalition to a winner-take-all fight for control of the House legislative machinery.

The veteran Texan spurned any compromise in the fight over the make-up of the rules committee which controls the flow of bills to the House floor.

Rayburn told a news conference that the issue will be settled in a House floor fight next Tuesday, as scheduled.

He indicated his belief that the outcome will determine what success President Kennedy can expect in pushing his legislative program through this Congress.

Close Vote

Rayburn forecast a close vote but said he believed he would win. Should the conservative coalition of Republicans and southern Democrats triumph, he said he would interpret it as a "blow" to Kennedy's program.

The question to be put before the House is approval of Rayburn's plan to liberalize the rules committee by enlarging it to 15 members.

The vote will determine whether Rayburn or rules chairman Howard W. Smith, D-Va., will dominate the committee.

In the past when the committee membership consisted of 12 House members, a coalition of four Republicans and two southern Democrats were able to block consideration of leadership backed legislation.

If the committee is expanded to 15 members, Rayburn would be able to name two Democrats favorable to Kennedy programs and thus break the deadlock.

Compromise talks initiated by southern Democrats refused Friday after Smith released to give Rayburn assurances that if the conservative coalition were left in control no legislation favored by Kennedy and Rayburn would be pigeonholed.

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Agreement Reached On Astoria Bridge

Portland, Ore. — UPI — An informal agreement for about a 60-40 per cent split in the cost of the proposed \$24 million Astoria, Ore.-Megler, Wash., bridge was reached here Saturday by Oregon and Washington legislators.

Salary of School Boss Legal Issue

The Jackson county court was playing a legal game of "money, money, who's got the money" Friday afternoon as it and the district attorney's office tried to determine who should pay the remainder of County School Supt. Alf Mekvold's salary.

Previously, the county paid about half of the school superintendent's salary and the other half that was when Mekvold was recognized as an elected county officer under state law.

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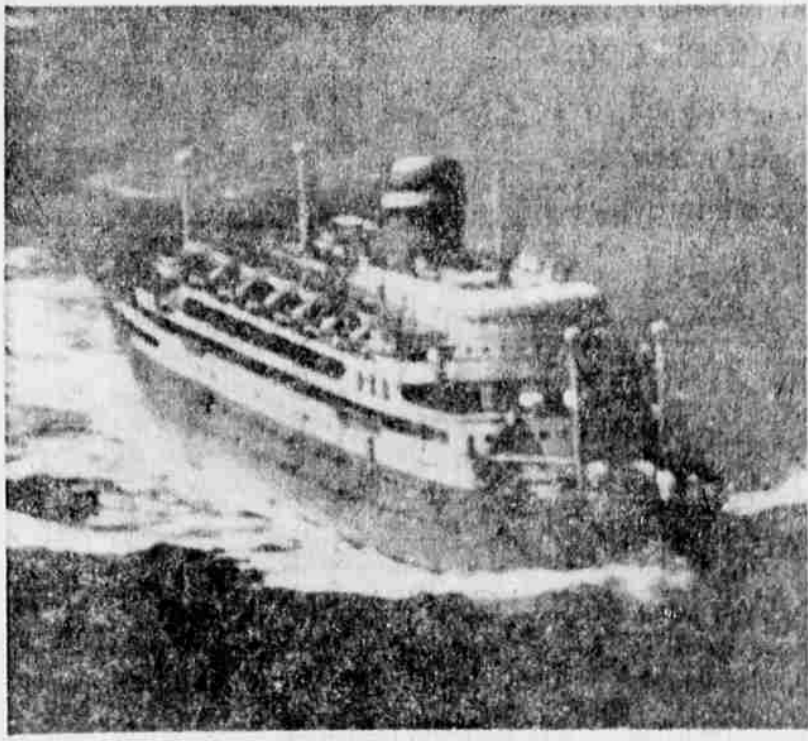
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ARRANGES MEETING—Pictured above is the hijacked Portuguese liner Santa Maria at sea with the vessel, presumably to discuss removal of passengers. —(UPI Telephoto)