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Three stories in today's Mail Tribune reflect the numerous activities in the Rogue River valley. A history of the Ashland hotel, now being razed, appears on Page 5A; a story and pictures of Emigrant dam may be found on Pages 2 and 3B; and an article about the valley's rabbit industry is on Page 4B.

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Home Rule Group Might Request Charter Finances

Committee Chairman Says Plan Tentative

The Jackson county home rule committee may ask the county budget committee to finance drawing of a home rule charter for the county during the new fiscal year, Committee Chairman Mrs. Thomas Rutter said Saturday. She emphasized, however, this is a tentative plan. The committee decided at its Thursday night meeting to hold a few more interviews before voting on formulation of a charter for this county. Thursday night in the Public Library of Medford and Jackson county the committee hopes to interview Arnold Bohnert, representing the county budget committee, and E. H. Singmaster, former member of the county board of equalization.

Later the committee plans to interview District Attorney Alan Holmes, County Clerk Marvin Madden and County Commissioner Edwin Taylor. The local committee was organized in August and held its first meeting in September.

Jackson county is one of a small group of counties, mostly in the more populous western section of the state, working on home rule. The Marion county committee decided Wednesday to begin drawing up a home rule charter "embodying changes which would streamline the government and give the county the right to pass ordinances." The charter would be put to a public vote.

The Marion county committee was appointed in October by the county court and county legislative delegation. Like the Jackson county group it was given the job of studying county government and deciding how to make it more effective. Drawing up the charter is expected to take many months.

The committee spent four months deciding whether it wanted a home rule charter and government reorganization.

Sen. Frank Church Is Guest Speaker

Sen. Frank F. Church, Idaho, will be this year's guest speaker at the annual Roosevelt Memorial dinner sponsored by the Jackson county Democrats Saturday night, April 15, according to Harper Edwards, chairman of the Jackson county Democratic Central committee.

Place for the dinner has not yet been decided, Edwards said. Church was elected to the United States senate for the first time on Nov. 6, 1956. He was keynote speaker at the Democratic convention in Los Angeles, Calif.

The 36-year-old senator is a graduate of Stanford university and its law school. He rose from private to second lieutenant when 20 years old during World War II, was assigned to military intelligence and saw action in India, Burma, and China.

Henry Padgham, Medford, has been named general chairman of the dinner, Edwards announced. This event, now in its 11th year, has had such guest speakers as President John F. Kennedy, and former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt.

Sports Bulletins

Medford high defeated Crater 93-57 here last night in a Southern Oregon conference basketball game. The Black Tornado led 43-28 at halftime. Loyal Higinbotham had 25 points for Crater, Bob Quinney hit for 19 for Medford and Jim Barry got 17.

Grants Pass—Grants Pass High school trimmed Ashland 54-41 in a Saturday night Southern Oregon conference basketball game.

Eagle Point—Eagle Point high tripped Medford St. Mary's in an overtime 49-46 here last night. The game was 42-42 at the end of regulation play.

Ashland—Portland State dumped Southern Oregon college in a low scoring 45-40 game in Ashland last night. SOC led at halftime 25-24.

Idaho 54, OSC 47
Seattle 61, Oregon 57

50 Rebels Invade Cuba; Insurgents Worrying Castro

Havana—(UPI)—Reliable but unconfirmed reports from Oriente province last night said a band of anti-Castro rebels made a landing near La Plata on Cuba's southern coast, east of the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo, last Wednesday night.

The rebel force was described as numbering "around 50" men. Sources in close contact with anti-government groups in that extreme eastern province said the invaders succeeded in reaching Los Paraisos foothills and have headed into the approaches of the Sierra Cristal mountains. They were said to be attempting to link up with various rebel groups—totaling several hundred men—operating in the area between Guantanamo and Baracoa.

Reports also circulated that a landing of guns and military supplies was made this week near the town of Imias, also on the southern Oriente coast and about 40 miles further east.

The landing at La Plata, if corroborated, would be the first large-scale expeditionary force to reach Cuba since last October's ill-fated 27-man

group which was quickly captured.

Reports of the landing came as Prime Minister Fidel Castro rushed to central Cuba to evaluate the worsening military situation. Insurgents in the Escambray mountains are inflicting heavy casualties on his inexperienced militia, according to a high army source.

The source said Castro left Friday night for Santa Clara with his field commanders after Maj. Dermidio Escalona reported he was "gravely concerned" because his militia men were suffering between 20 and 30 casualties daily in guerrilla fighting.

Reliable sources have estimated 2,000 guerrillas are holding out in Las Villas province against about 30,000 recently recruited militiamen. But insurgent resistance was reported stiffening.

Meanwhile, the government-controlled press denied reports published by a Florida newspaper (the Miami News) that a naval base for the Soviet Union is under construction on the island of Key Largo, about 25 miles due south of Cuba's east-central Caribbean coast.

Malaya came to the aid of the faltering U. N. Congo troop operation Saturday with an offer of 800 more soldiers. But Ghana demanded that the troubled African country be put under "all African" control with all white officials removed.

Malaya's offer to bolster the U. N. troop command, riddled by defections by nations supporting slain ex-Premier Patrice Lumumba, was gratefully accepted by Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold.

Ghana's President Kwame Nkrumah proposed a seven-phase plan calling for an African U. N. command, disarming of all Congolese armed factions, by force if necessary, and removal of all foreign diplomatic missions until order was restored under African leadership.

Such a proposal, Nkrumah said, would be flexible enough to keep Asian forces in the U. N. command but all whites, such as the Swedes and Irish, would have to go.

Nkrumah offered to come to New York to help organize the plan.

Behind the scenes, U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson was a diplomatic tug of war when the 18-nation Congo advisory group decided to release a report proposing stronger U. N. action in the Congo. The report was drawn up by an 11-nation conciliation commission to the Congo.

Guinea Backs Russia
Stevenson sought release of the report against Russian insistence it be kept secret. Sources said at yesterday's two-hour session Guinea strongly backed Russia's stand. But Stevenson had his way.

The advisory group agreed to make the conciliation commission report available to all U. N. delegations with a note stating that the 1,000-word document reflected the opinion of the conciliation commission delegates, not necessarily that of their home governments.

Germany To Start Big Aid Program
Washington—(UPI)—American officials Saturday expressed satisfaction over the West German promise to initiate a massive long-term foreign aid program.

They said this constitutes a definite change in German policy, bringing West Germany closer toward the U.S. evaluation of the world situation.

The German promise was disclosed in a joint communiqué released here after a meeting between President Kennedy and West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano Friday.

The communiqué said Kennedy had heard "with satisfaction" that West Germany is prepared "to carry on its program for the underdeveloped countries in future years."

German foreign office spokesman Karl Guenther Von Haase said later that no specific figures had been discussed but that the German foreign aid effort would be "in the area of \$1 billion per year."

Britons Protest U.S. Polaris Sub Base
London—(UPI)—Thousands of demonstrators, led by 88-year-old Lord Bertrand Russell and teen-age bearded beatniks, surged through London and Glasgow Sunday in protest marches against the basing of U. S. Polaris missile submarines in Britain.

In London, a throng of an estimated 4,000 persons marched to Trafalgar square and some 3,000 demonstrators, acting as pickets, squatted on the sidewalks outside Britain's defense ministry.

In Glasgow, killed bagpipers led an estimated 5,000 demonstrators through the streets in protest against basing the American nuclear guided missile submarines at Scotland's Holy Loch.

UAR Arrests U.S. Attache in Cairo; Ignores Immunity

Incident Accentuates Worsening Relations

Cairo—(UPI)—Police arrested the press attache of the U. S. embassy here Saturday and held him for 11 hours of questioning on charges of "distributing imperialist propaganda leaflets."

The attache, Zygmunt Nagorski, denied the charges and said police "roughed me up" before his release last night. The U. S. embassy indicated it was preparing an immediate protest to the United Arab Republic government.

Nagorski's detention by police, who ignored his diplomatic immunity, accentuated the worsening relations between the United States and the UAR over the Congo in the wake of Patrice Lumumba's death.

Earlier this week the U. S. embassy was stoned by mobs of students protesting Lumumba's slaying.

The semi-official Middle East news agency (Mena) quoted police as saying Nagorski was distributing the leaflets from his car in front of a hotel "without authorization."

Authorities charged that the leaflets expressed "imperialist" views on the Congo situation and also attacked those nations—of which the UAR is one—that back Lumumbist forces in that former Belgian territory.

Nagorski denied the charges and was released after his 11-hour interrogation.

Mena said police had kept Nagorski "under surveillance" since Friday because similar leaflets were found in other sections of the city. Police said Nagorski's car was in those areas at the time.

The Arab news agency quoted police as saying Nagorski told them that a gust of wind blew the leaflets out of his automobile as he was driving by.

Medford Speakers Win Sweepstakes
McMinnville—Medford High school won the grand sweepstakes first place in the Linfield College Invitational Forensic speech tournament held here Saturday.

Medford high school and junior high school students competed with 800 students of other Oregon schools. The 62 member Medford delegation was the largest ever attending the tournament.

In addition to winning the grand sweepstakes event for the first time, Medford won first place in the junior sweepstakes. Ashland High school won first place in senior sweepstakes.

Suzi Thompson and Judy Sims won first place in senior women's debate. Sue Jahn and Sherry Koblick placed first in junior women's debate. The junior men's debate team of Angus Duncan and Steve Blackhurst, of Hedrick Junior High school, placed first. Sandra Gannon was first in junior women's oratory.

Medford students also scored points in after dinner speaking, impromptu speaking, salesmanship and interview. Mrs. DeVere Taylor is senior high school speech coach.

"We Must Join To Avenge Our Dear Friend, Lumumba"
The Medford Oregon National Guard unit is holding an open house between 1 and 3 p.m. today at the armory.

The open house is part of the local unit's observance of "Muster Day," a nationwide event. Theme for the sixth annual observance is "The National Guard in the Cold War." Purpose of the day is to call attention to the role it plays as a cold war deterrent.

The local unit will display equipment outside the armory. Motion pictures are planned as part of the observance.

Cedric Adams Dies Of Heart Attack
Austin, Minn.—(UPI)—Cedric Adams, long-time Minneapolis star and Tribune columnist and radio personality, died of a heart attack here last night. He was 58.

Adams had stayed overnight at the Red Cedar Inn here, where he had come for a week end rest. He was admitted to the hospital after complaining that he did not feel well and died about 10:30 p. m.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today—5:48 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow—7:02 a.m.
Moonset tonight—11:11 p.m.
Jupiter goes around the sun in 12 years. Saturn does the same in 29½ years. The combination of their movements on their orbits causes Jupiter to pass by the east of Saturn every 20 years, as it did in 1941. It is now doing, and will again about 1961.



Walkout Cripples Airlines



EUROPEAN SOLDIERS—This picture, handed out by the Katanga government in Elisabethville, reportedly shows a group of unidentified Europeans, their faces blacked commando-style, taking part in military operations with Katanga forces in the Congo. The troops launched a heavy offensive Saturday to drive pro-Lumumba Baluba tribesmen from the town of Luena.

Flight Engineers Defy President, Courts and Union

Strike Affects Seven Airlines

New York—(UPI)—Flight engineers grounded a major segment of the nation's passenger airline fleet Saturday in a "wildcat" strike in defiance of their union, their employers and President Kennedy.

The walkout, affecting seven of the largest airlines, began at 7:30 p.m. EST Friday, two hours after Kennedy ordered a fact-finding board to move in on the dispute and avert the strike.

The stoppage continued through yesterday despite orders of union leaders for the men to return to work and court actions in several key cities.

Sy Korn, spokesman for off-the-job engineers in New York, said he did not believe the court orders would bring the men back to work.

"Millant Group" "These engineers are a militant group, and I think they are going to hold tight," he said.

Flight engineers continued to call in "sick" or simply fail to appear for duty. The telephone of many went unanswered when their employers tried to reach them.

A union spokesman in Washington said that labor secretary Arthur P. Goldberg telephoned Ron Brown, president of the engineers' union, from New York and urged him to get the strikers back to work. The spokesman said Brown later told Goldberg that efforts to get the men back on the job had not been successful.

Pan American World Airways and Eastern Airlines led a parade to court and obtained orders forbidding continuance of the strike. American Airlines obtained a federal court order for a hearing Monday on an injunction plea.

Picketing Continued
But picketing continued. The only planes operated by Pan Am were flights carrying supervisory personnel as engineers.

Operation of twin-engine airplanes was not affected by the walkout because that type of plane need not carry engineers under federal regulation. But all of the big U.S. four-engine propeller driven and jet aircraft must include engineers in their crews.

Officials of Eastern Airlines expressed the hope that a court order obtained in Miami would bring its engineers back. Pan American reported six hours after it obtained a restraining order at noon that its flight engineers still were "unavailable."

Plans Disrupted
"The plans of thousands of travelers have been disrupted by this illegal and irresponsible action," a Pan Am spokesman said. "We trust the flight engineers will live up to their obligations as law-abiding citizens and that Pan American soon will be able to restore normal service."

Pan Am's normal schedule calls for 17 flights out of New York on Saturday. It sent one flight to Bermuda and arranged for supervisory engineers to go out on two other flights last night—one to London, the other to Paris. Pan Am cancelled all six of its overseas flights from Miami.

Eastern Airlines said it had cancelled at least 50 flights from Miami, some because of bad weather in the northeastern states but mostly because of the strike.

Supervisory Personnel
Nine Eastern planes flew out of Miami with supervisory personnel in engineer's seats. National Airlines cancelled one flight because of the engineers' walkout. Other flights were washed out by rain in the northeast.

Most of American's huge fleet of airlines had been grounded by the strike. An airline spokesman said almost the only four-engine flights operating were those returning engineers to their home base.

Medford Officials Asked To Submit Budget Requests

The first step in the city of Medford's budget preparations for the 1961-62 fiscal year was taken last week when various city department heads were asked to estimate their respective budget needs for the coming year.

These estimates are due back in City Manager Robert A. Duff's office March 1, and will serve as a guide to preparation of the city's preliminary budget.

Duff said he expects that the department heads will submit realistic budget requests. They do not follow the practice of department heads in some cities, he said, who submit "fat budgets" with the expectation that some will be trimmed off.

Always Greater
But, the city manager noted that the requests, while being realistic, are almost always greater than the city can afford.

Following preparation of the preliminary budget it will be submitted to the citizens budget committee which starts a series of budget meetings in April. After the budget has been approved, and revised, if necessary, the final budget will be submitted to the city council and a public hearing will be called. Following the hearing, any necessary changes are made, and the final budget is approved.

Deadline for approval of budget is July 15.

During the existing fiscal year the city had a general fund budget of \$906,030, of which \$263,120 came from the property tax levy. Under state law, the city will be allowed an increase of 6 per cent in its tax levy.

New Stop 'N' Start Rocket Carries U.S. Satellite Into Orbit

Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.—(UPI)—A new Discoverer satellite bolted into orbit Saturday in the first successful test of a stop 'n' start rocket to be used to power and control the United States' first maneuverable military space vehicle.

The reigniting of the Agena B rocket powering the 25-foot-long Discoverer XXI ground, the satellite's stilled rocket engine restarted as the vehicle crossed high over Alaska at 18,000 miles an hour. That came on the first pass after the new satellite was hurled into orbit—the second successful Discoverer orbit in as many days.

It was the first time, the Air Force said, the Agena B had ever been reignited while in orbit.

The Agena B is scheduled to power the Midas, X Samos and Saint Sky Spy military systems.

Came of Age
"The Discoverer program really came of age today with the successful restart test," said one Air Force officer. "And appropriately enough it came on No. 21."

Maj. Gen. O. J. Rittland, commander of the Air Force Ballistic Missile division, said Saturday's restart was only to test the mechanism.

"It is another successful experiment to perfect the system for satellite stabilization and control in orbit," Rittland said.

The latest Discoverer, unlike its brother satellite fired into orbit Friday, carried no recoverable capsule. Discoverer XX launched Friday is supposed to keep an instrument capsule in orbit four days before scientists attempt to retrieve it.

The accident occurred about 1½ miles east of Forest Creek rd., when the car rounded a curve and went out of control. Police said it traveled 160 feet along the shoulder of the highway and then went over the bank.

Moderate damage resulted to the right front side and top of the car.

LaBarge's body was taken to the Conger-Morris Funeral home pending further arrangements.

Willamette Valley Has Pear Advantage
Salem—(UPI)—A horticulture expert has told Willamette valley pear growers that it is possible for them to compete successfully with other parts of Oregon in growing pears.

Henry Hartman, speaking to about 150 growers here, said that the Willamette valley has two advantages over the Medford area. He listed the advantages as the lack of a fire blight problem and the presence of facilities for fruit processing.

Hartman is a retired professor of horticulture at Oregon State college.

Yurri Says He May Run Against Morse
Salem—(UPI)—Sen. Anthony Yurri, R-Ontario, said Friday he may run for the U. S. Senate in 1962 against Sen. Wayne Morse, D-Ore.

"It is a possibility," the Oregon Senate Minority Leader said.

This is one of a series of such "Ask Your Governor" programs and the first one held in Medford. Others have been held in Coos Bay, Eugene, Roseburg and other Oregon cities.

Week End Traffic Accidents Claim 4 Lives in Oregon

At least four persons had died in traffic accidents in Oregon this week end by Saturday night.

The victims were Mrs. Elda Mae Crow, 35, Joseph; William R. LeBarge, 76, Jacksonville; Gordon S. Hamilton, 69, Klamath Falls; and Edward L. Winslow, 24, Glendale.

Mrs. Crow was killed in a collision on state Highway 82 about 55 miles north of La Grande Saturday night.

She was a passenger in a car which struck the back of a pickup truck, which was parked on the shoulder of the highway.

In Critical Condition
The victim's husband, Victor Crow, the driver of the car, was taken to a hospital at Enterprise and was reported in critical condition.

The other three victims died as a result of traffic accidents Friday night.

Hamilton died at a Hermiston hospital from injuries received earlier in the day when his pickup truck collided with a car driven by Glen A. Holden, 33, Lake Oswego, on Highway 30 near Boardman.

Winslow was killed when he failed to make a turn about 50 miles south of Roseburg and smashed into a tree. The accident occurred on a county road one mile west of Glendale.

Government Boosts Home Loan Funds
Washington—(UPI)—The government moved Saturday to strengthen home building by adding more than \$1 billion to the supply of money available for mortgage loans.

The steps taken are expected to lower interest rates and cut some cash down payments on houses costing more than \$18,000.

The action was taken as the commerce department reported a 12 per cent increase of housing starts in January. The department said the end of the downward slide was partly brought about by starts that had been delayed by bad weather in December.

Belgian Premier To Stay in Office
Brussels—(UPI)—Premier Gaston Eyskens vowed Saturday he will keep his government in office despite the resignation of its seven Liberal members Friday night.

His statement appeared to rule out the possibility of a major cabinet crisis before the national elections scheduled next month.

The Liberals resigned from Eyskens' coalition in protest against alleged foot-dragging by the premier's Social Christian party on a move to increase the size of the lower house of Parliament.