



OFF TO FLORIDA—Mrs. John F. Kennedy is shown above as she boarded a commercial airplane at Washington National Airport for an announced flight to Palm Beach, Fla. The First Lady left her two children in the care of their nurses at the White House. She declined to discuss details of her trip but will remain at the winter resort throughout the week end. (UPI Telephoto)

School News

Medford High School
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Monday Dr. Kenneth Ghent of the University of Oregon visited Medford High and lectured to advanced math students. Dr. Ghent spoke to three different groups of students on linear equations, mathematical induction and progression.

The last after-game dance was held in the boy's gym last Saturday night. The dance, appropriately titled "Pre-Spring Spree," was decorated with various spring flowers. It was sponsored by the Future Teachers of America club, and Dianna Parker was general chairman. \$500 in prizes were donated by Swen's.

"The Crucible," written by Pulitzer prize winner, Arthur Miller, will be presented this week by the senior class. The play stars Terry Volk as John Proctor and Linda Jo Watkinson as Abigail. The setting is Salem, Mass., 1692, during the time of the witchcraft trials. Lenore Zapp, drama teacher, is the director. Tickets may be purchased from any senior, at Swen's, or at the box office.

For the past two weeks, the team under the direction of Coach Robert Huff has been practicing. About 15 boys turned up for the first meeting. Seniors who are expected to gain a position on the team are John McKinley, Jim Randles, and Art House.

Future Teachers of America members who attended other schools in observation of teaching methods last week were Julie Paugh, Becky Gates, Marlene Klym, Rhonda Martin, Rita Olson, Hedy Ruff, Kay Ruck, Betty Seruaga, Maureen Schultz, Al Watson, Joan Ward, and Barbara Whalen.

Students gain this opportunity through assisting Medford High teachers in correcting papers and various miscellaneous items.

Seniors were reminded last week that they must maintain at least a C average to receive admission to state schools of higher education. This includes Oregon State, University of Oregon, Portland State, Southern Oregon college, Oregon College of Education, Oregon Technical Institute, and Eastern Oregon college.

Any senior with a C or below, C average was advised to consult his counselor, if he is planning to go to college.

Ashland High School
Edited by Karen Felte
New members of the Honor Society were announced last week. The top 15 per cent of the seniors and the top 10 per cent of the juniors are admitted.

Seniors are Ginger Bennett, Tom Colasanto, Don Fowler, Robert Grown, Duane Hall, Linda Hill, Sharon Klier, Kip Olson, and Dan Parker.

Juniors are Judy Benson, Lee Bounds, Nancy Conrad, Janet Covington, John Drager, Judy Eberhart, Linda Gray, Karen Hinrichs, Sue Mitting, Margie Moore, Peggy Parsons, Karen Schopf, Ken Steven.

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Michigan Man Invents Coin Run Dry Cleaner

Chicago — 479—Engineers business had grown just as much, then hit a standstill. The success of coin-operated laundries convinced him that coin-operated dry cleaning could be as lucrative.

It took him seven years, but he finally came up with the first coin-operated automatic dry cleaning machine. The graying, 40-year-old proprietor of a Spring Lake, Mich., dry cleaning establishment stands to make up to a million dollars out of his invention, now being produced by Norge for general distribution.

Robbins' wife turned him out of their basement a few months after he started working on the invention, "but not because she thought I was wasting my time," Robbins said.

"It was the money I had tied up in the machine—about \$50,000—that she was afraid I was wasting," he said.

Robbins acknowledged he was a little worried about the money, too. "I'd mortgaged everything I owned to come up with it," he said.

His wife finally became reconciled to the idea of possibly going broke, Robbins said, "but I never heard the end of it when I ran a test on her best suit and shrunk it from a size 14 to a size 6."

Eight Pounds
The Robbins machine dry cleans eight pounds of clothes in about 45 minutes for \$1.50, and the inventor claims it leaves them wrinkle-free, with creases and ruffles intact. It accommodates an average of eight women's dresses or three men's suits.

Robbins, who left high school to join the Navy during World War II, went into the dry cleaning business in 1944. He had no mechanical or engineering training and said he tried six different approaches to his machine before coming up with the final design. It resembles a coin-operated laundry.

The inventor said he began with a coin-operated automatic dry cleaning machine because his cleaning

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Professor Says Lotteries May Be Returning Soon

Norman, Okla. — 479—A University of Oklahoma history professor says the lottery would not be a pitting backwords to finance governments as it did in the past.

Dr. John S. Zeall, author of "Fortune's Merry Wheel," said social and economic factors in the past made the lottery an important aid to fiscal systems of local, state and national governments.

"Lotteries flourished in Roman times and were carried down to the days of the feudal princes," Zeall said. "Merchants of Europe used lotteries to encourage sales of merchandise. Venice later created a government monopoly in lotteries and derived considerable revenue from the scheme."

"The lottery had a long career before and during the early colonization of America, and was the step-child of English parents."

Zeall said the Continental Congress started a \$1 million lottery to help finance the American Revolution, and that several colleges received aid from lottery proceeds, including King's College (Columbia), Harvard, Yale and Princeton.

Civic Projects
Congress in 1792 passed an act giving the commissioners of the District of Columbia authority to institute lotteries for vital civic projects when ordinary revenues were insufficient.

"The next year a lottery for the 'improvement of the federal city' was organized," Zeall related. "The grand prize was one superb hotel, with baths, outhouse, etc., costing \$50,000. Washington himself bought a ticket."

Zeall said the word "lot" originated from the Teutonic word "hleut," meaning a die, pebble or bean which was drawn or cast to decide disputes and division of property.

He said throughout their long history, lotteries have aided the poor, but have also been plagued by fraud, or they failed because there were too many or the prizes were too paltry.

But Zeall said the wheel of fortune has turned and aid from lotteries today is widely promoted by church, civic and social organizations.

"Ten states legalize some form of lottery. Bingo today is widely promoted by church, civic and social organizations."

Tire Chain Sales
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New York — 479—American Chain & Cable reports that tire chain sales in recent weeks soared 50 per cent above a year ago.

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