



DEMOCRATS CONFER—Senate Democratic leader Mike Mansfield of Montana, left confers with Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson prior to a caucus of Senate Democrats at Washington, D.C. They discussed major legislation pending before Congress. (UPI Telephoto)

Hearing Slated on Stray Cat Problem

A hearing on the stray cat problem in Jackson County will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, the county board has announced.

So far the local Cat Care Society, has submitted 71 petitions with 334 names requesting that the hearing be held, and some measures be adopted to more strictly control the stray cat population.

"There is a lack of facilities and adequate cat control in the county," a society spokesman said. "We hope a board will be created (in addition to the present Jackson County Dog Control board) to work out an efficient and economical solution."

Food Poisoning Fatal To Mexicans

Tampico, Mexico — (UPI) — Three more persons have died here of food poisoning believed induced by plain white bread, bringing the total dead to 10.

The total number of persons hospitalized in Tampico and nearby Madero rose to 109.

Federal health authorities are analyzing bread sold in the railroad community of Manuel by baker Camerino Perez, who was arrested Monday after seven persons died. Perez' 5-year-old daughter was reported in "grave condition" in a Madero hospital.

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Forest Grove College Reveals Expansion Plans

Forest Grove — (UPI) — Pacific University has announced plans for a \$10 million expansion program at the 112-year-old school.

Dr. Miller A. J. Ritchie, president of the school, said the new development would include additions to the present library, women's dormitory and College of Optometry buildings.

Other improvements will include a new men's dormitory, athletic fieldhouse and swimming pool, science building, student center and chapel-auditorium. Present buildings also will be renovated.

To Increase Faculty

Dr. Ritchie told a Founders Day audience that the faculty and staff also would be increased.

He said funds will be sought from supporting churches, foundations, corporations, alumni and others with some help through government loans and grants.

The \$10 million includes \$5 million for physical expansion and \$5 million for faculty, equipment and operational support.

Dr. Ritchie, in explaining purpose of the University, said that in addition to a demanding intellectual challenge and social orientation, it sought "to provide a human climate in which strength of character grows and in which eternal values are found and made a part of personal commitment."

Senate Democratic Majority Assured For Next 4 Years

By Congressional Quarterly Washington — (CQ) — The Democratic party stands in no danger of losing its U.S. Senate majority in the 1962 elections, a Congressional Quarterly survey shows.

The earliest the Republicans could achieve a Senate majority would be in 1965, following the 1964 elections. But that would require Republican victories in virtually all the doubtful Senate races of 1962 and 1964.

Democrats currently hold 65 Senate seats to 35 for the Republicans. One Democratic seat will be up in Texas in the April 4 special election for Vice President Johnson's old seat, and the general expectation is that it will remain in Democratic hands.

In 1962, 21 Democratic and 15 Republican Senate seats will be up for election. CQ's preliminary survey classifies seven Democratic and seven GOP seats as doubtful.

If Republicans were to hold all their doubtful seats and win all seven Democratic doubtful seats in 1962, the new Senate would have 58 Democrats and 42 Republicans — still far short of a GOP majority.

If Democrats, on the other hand, were to hold all their doubtful seats and capture all seven doubtful GOP seats in 1962, the new Senate would have 72 Democrats and 28 Republicans. Under normal circumstances the Democrats might expect to lose a few Senate seats in 1962 because

the "out party" (the party which does not control the Presidency) had traditionally picked up seats in mid-term elections.

But mid-term gains for the "out party" have generally followed gains for the majority party in Presidential election years. The normal gains for the majority party did not occur in 1960, when Democrats lost two Senate seats even though a Democrat was being elected President. It is possible that the traditional pattern has been broken and President Kennedy, his policies and his party's Senate candidates will be more popular in 1962 than they were in 1960.

Even if they are able to do well in 1962, however, Democrats are unlikely to score further gains in 1964. In that year the Senators elected in the 1958 Democratic sweep — 25 Democrats and eight Republicans — will be up for election, and up to 13 Democratic Senators in states which often vote Republican will be in danger of losing their seats.

The 1964 Senate elections, in fact, may be a prime target for the GOP. Providing Republicans can increase their Senate membership to 40 or more in 1962, they would have a chance of winning a majority if they can defeat ten Democratic Senators in 1964.

A gain of ten seats, however, would scarcely be possible unless Republicans were winning a strong victory in the Presidential election. Even as popular a national figure as President Eisenhower was unable to lead the Republicans to major Senate victories.

Thus the long-term outlook, barring an unexpected and momentous shifting in the fortunes of the two political parties, is for Democratic control of the Senate for several years to come.

The CQ survey classifies following 14 Democratic seats, up in 1962, as safe, based on current information: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Washington. Eight of these are among the 22 Southern Senate seats which always can be counted safe for the Democrats.

The seven doubtful Democratic seats up in 1962 are Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Massachusetts, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Wyoming.

The eight safe GOP seats for 1962, based on current estimates, are Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, New Hampshire, New York, North Dakota, South Dakota and Vermont.

The seven doubtful Republican seats are in California, Connecticut, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Utah and Wisconsin.

These classifications will change somewhat as political developments unfold during the coming 20 months.

Several incumbent Senators may face stiff primary opposition. Among the states where primary fights appear in the offing are Arkansas, South Carolina, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire and Maryland.

Gresham Woman 'Mother of Year'

Portland — (UPI) — A Gresham woman, Mrs. Paulus Odell, Monday has been named as Oregon's Mother of the Year.

Mrs. Odell, 69, is the mother of four. Her selection was announced at a luncheon meeting here.

She was born in McMinnville and has lived in Oregon all her life.

Mrs. Odell's sons and daughters include Dr. Floyd A. Odell, a research scientist; Robert C. Odell, businessman; Mrs. Della Odell Bell of Redmond, and Mrs. Laura Odell Linden, Eugene.

Mrs. Odell will compete against all state mothers for the title of American Mother of the Year in New York next May.

Later Children's Job Hours Passed

Salem — (UPI) — The Oregon house Tuesday passed, for the second time, a bill extending work hours for children under 16 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The bill was passed earlier but was grabbed back to put in an exemption for babysitters.

The evening jobs would be under supervision and permits from the State Wage and House commission would be required in most cases.

The bill, which would apply to such groups as grocery boys, went to the Senate.

Medford Junior Is Named President of Oregon IR League

Eugene — John Alansky, a junior at Medford High school, was elected president of the Oregon High School International Relations League here late last week at the University of Oregon.

About 500 teen-agers from 50 high schools throughout Oregon participated in the two-day state convention featuring a Model United Nations including both General Assembly and committee meetings.

The Medford High delegation also was awarded third place in competition for the most active club in the state. First place was won by Grants Pass; second place, Lebanon. Medford received special mention for its historical scrapbook prepared by Carl Washburn, also a MHS junior.

Representing the United Kingdom, the 11-person Medford group boasts seven major speaking engagements on the floor of the general assembly held in McArthur Court. The MUN allotted for three plenary sessions of the UN, and three meetings for each of the seven committees, commissions, and councils. The secretariat

BANK AUTHORIZED — Washington — (UPI) — The Senate has authorized President Kennedy to restore former President Dwight D. Eisenhower's 5-star rank as general of the Army.

school were Diane Lewis, Martha Simpson, Sue House, Rosanne Legas, Jill DuCroz, Jim Fraze, Carl Washburn, John Alansky, Joel Gregory, Jim Albright, and Chuck Kyer. Fraze was delegation chairman. Accompanying the delegates were Mrs. Justin Smith and Miss Dolores Barrell, Medford IRL advisors.

The trip was made by chartered bus along with delegates from Grants Pass.



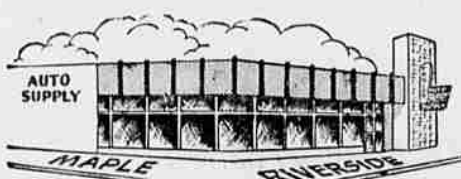
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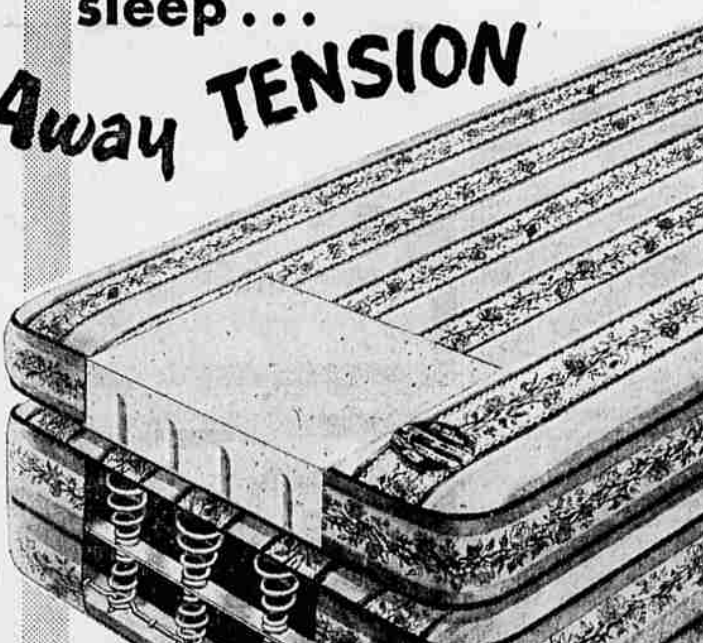
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February Traffic Toll Said on Par

Salem — (UPI) — The February traffic death toll in Oregon was on a par with February, 1960, although one less fatal was recorded.

The state motor vehicles department said elements included in the fatal accidents were running a stop sign, general non-attention to driving, violation of the basic rule, and jaywalking.

The official state death toll for February was 25, with more than a third of the victims 69 or older.

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