



A DAY WITH KENNEDY—A UPI reporter-photographer team of Merriman Smith and Maurice Johnson was given the rare opportunity of spending a full day with President Kennedy and recording the activities of a busy Chief Executive. Kennedy is shown above at the start of the day, accompanied by his daughter, Caroline, as they stepped from the elevator which brought them from their living quarters.

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Chief Executive Starts Busy Day In Formal Dress

Editor's note: UPI White House Reporter Merriman Smith has been covering presidents since the late Franklin D. Roosevelt. Thursday, for the first time in his long experience, Smith was permitted to spend a full working day at the side of a chief executive. Smith was in President Kennedy's office while conferences were in progress, in selected offices of key staff members and even in the historic rooms of the White House, itself, with the President. Here is his intimate account of a day with Kennedy.

By MERRIMAN SMITH
UPI White House Reporter
Washington — UPI — A pale blue light shone from within a large globe on the desk of the massive old desk. It was a few minutes before 8 o'clock Thursday night in the West Wing of the White House when President Kennedy grabbed a green carnation from his suit lapel and flung it onto a batch of photographic portraits awaiting his autograph.

Thus ended the young Chief Executive's 56th day in the presidency; at least, the office portion of his day. There still were memoranda to be analyzed and telephone calls to be made before bedtime. Also, dinner with Mrs. Kennedy and a few guests.

Since shortly after 9 a.m. he had talked with between 125 and 150 people, individually and in groups. He had signed his name about 150 times. He had made a number of telephone calls. He also had made several of the more weighty decisions of his brief White House career.

Yet, as he started down the historic colonnade leading from his office to the main part of the White House, the 43-year-old Chief Executive thought Thursday was not a particularly strenuous day in the presidency.

"I'd say it was easier than most," Kennedy commented as he said goodnight to two reporters and two photographers who had followed, with his permission, almost every move, every conference and most of his words during the day.

Chronologically, this "easier than most" day went like this:

9:24 a.m. — Dressed in formal morning attire, striped trousers, short club coat, white shirt, grey-striped tie (Kennedy had a thin piece of adhesive on the cut over his eye) and conferred briefly by telephone with his press secretary, Pierre Salinger.

9:35 — Salinger walked to the ground floor of the White House where he waited at the elevator with Col. Godfrey T. McHugh, Air Force aide to the President.

9:42 — Elevator doors opened and the President stepped out, holding his daughter, Caro-

line, by the hand. Apparently unaware of what awaited them, both President and daughter were somewhat startled by the sudden glare of flashguns on the cameras of two press association photographers.

Returned to Elevator
"Oh, no," the President exclaimed, whirling young Caroline back into the elevator. Thus thwarted in her anticipated walk to the office with her father, Caroline set up a wall suggestive of a fire siren.

The President ducked back into the elevator and, with fatherly solicitude, promised Caroline everything short of a sandbox in the Cabinet Room if she'd only understand. Then he rejoined Salinger and McHugh.

"Since it's bound to come up sooner or later, Mr. President," a reporter said, "What about the cut?"

"I was bending down to get something for Caroline and I hit the table," he said.

9:45 — Budget Director David E. Bell, Deputy Director Elmer Staats and Theodore Sorensen, special counsel to Kennedy, settled down in three chairs beside Kennedy's desk in his office to talk about the foreign aid budget. Kennedy was familiar with the budget item by item and fired question after question at his conferees, speaking softly and dispassionately until he came to one item which led him to exclaim, "That's a lot of dough."

Goldberg Escorted In
9:57 — As first consultants departed, Labor Secretary Arthur Goldberg was escorted in by Appointment Secretary Kenneth O'Donnell. Goldberg said he wanted "only 30 seconds" for a word about an amendment to the unemployment compensation extension bill in Congress.

9:59 — While the President, leaning against his desk with arms folded, was still talking to Goldberg, O'Donnell, who describes his work as "Chinese checkers in grand style" waved in Commerce Secretary Luther H. Hodges and Myer Feldman, assistant to Sorensen. Jokingly, Kennedy said, "Governor, you know Secretary Goldberg?" Everybody laughed. Hodges' mission also concerned unemployment compensation.

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Oregon Accidents Leave 10 Dead

Charter To Be Prepared For County Vote

Jackson county's home rule study committee voted six to two last night to prepare a charter for voter consideration.

The committee's vote and the written statements submitted by the members explaining their vote will be forwarded to the county court merely as a formality. It will be up to the voters to decide either during a primary or general election whether they want a charter which will allow them to deal with county problems on the county level.

One member, Frank Farrell, Medford attorney, was absent and did not submit his vote.

Budget Group To Consider Salary Request Monday

The Jackson county budget committee Monday will consider a resolution to increase salary ranges one step, County Judge Earl Miller said today. This would drop the lowest salary step.

If approved by the committee the average salary increase to county employees would be \$16. Total budget increase would be \$61,000.

Various county department heads Monday requested an upward revision of salary ranges established by the 1958 Civil Service Commission report. With District Attorney Alan Holmes acting as spokesman, the county officials also asked that recommendations for merit pay increases for their department employees be placed in their hands. Their recommendations would be made to the county budget committee for inclusion in the annual budget.

Each employee should be assured of a raise if he merits it and the general county financial condition permits it, the district attorney insisted.

Some county department heads were concerned this morning over the report that one county official had requested merit pay increases for all departmental employees. "This defeats the purpose of the merit pay increase plan," a county official commented.

At Thursday morning's budget hearing, County Commissioner Edwin Taylor pleaded for more adequate pay for county employees. "The underpaid man is the most expensive man you can hire," he said.

LeeRoy Sanford McGahuey, 43-year-old Central Point man charged with first degree murder, is scheduled to appear in Jackson county circuit court Monday to enter a plea, according to District Attorney Alan Holmes this morning.

However, some observers feel his court-appointed attorney, William Kellington, Medford, will request a psychiatric examination and delay entering a plea at that time.

McGahuey was arraigned before Circuit Judge James M. Main Friday morning, March 10. Then Kellington was appointed and the case was continued to allow McGahuey to consult with his attorney before entering a plea. On Thursday, March 9, the grand jury returned an indictment against McGahuey for the murder of 23-month-old Rod Cameron Holt, son of Mrs. Loris Mae Holt. Mrs. Holt and her son were found slain in a Central Point apartment Feb. 22.

Salem — UPI — The House Highways Committee late Thursday voted out "do pass" a bill providing another \$4 million for reconstruction of Highway 42 between Roseburg and Coquille.

Deputies Arrest Men With Slots

Two men were arraigned in circuit court this morning on charges of illegally possessing slot machines.

John Edward Schuster, Riddle, Ore., entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$100. Stephen Gilber Crippen, of Ashland, asked for time to enter a plea. He was released on \$100 bail and will reappear March 20.

Sheriff's deputies said they discovered two slot machines in the rear of Schuster's pickup truck Thursday morning. The truck was parked on North Riverside ave. in Medford. Investigation led to the coin machine repair shop of Crippen's in Ashland. Twenty-seven intact machines were found in the shop. Sheriff Joe Walsh said parts which would go together to form six more machines were also found.

Thirty-five machines have been confiscated by the sheriff's department, Walsh said.

COPCO To Close Gold Ray Turbines

Portland — UPI — The State Game Commission said today the California Oregon Power Co. Gold Ray plant on the Rogue River would close its turbines for a five-week period, May 10 to June 13, during the peak downstream migration of young salmon and steelhead.

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United States Calls on UN To Protest Yanks in Congo

Missionaries Asked To Leave 'In Own Interest'

Justice Demanded Against Troops

Washington — UPI — The United States today called on the United Nations and local authorities to take "immediate steps" to protect Americans in the Congo. It also warned American missionaries again to get out of the Congo.

The State Department instructed U. S. delegates to the United Nations to request that "no effort be spared" to assist missionaries who have been prevented from leaving the eastern Congo and who in some cases have been mistreated.

Justice Demanded
The department demanded that Congolese troops who have mistreated missionaries be brought to justice.

"We believe that steps should be taken immediately to bring the culprits to justice and to assure there will be no recurrence of such acts."

The areas of the Congo where missionaries have been mistreated are Kivu and Oriental provinces, both under the nominal control of Soviet-backed Congolese leader Antoine Gizenga.

In 'Best Interests'
But officials said it has never been clear whether the troops were acting under orders or on their own.

The State Department warned American missionaries in "unsettled areas" of the Congo that it would be "in their best interests to leave unless there are overriding requirements that they remain."

State Legislature Pays Tribute To St. Patrick's Day

Salem — UPI — The Oregon Legislature, bubbling with a little St. Patrick's day fun — and pun — held light sessions today before heading for a legislative issues conference and a banquet addressed by Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.).

Both houses were sprinkled liberally with green, and in the supposedly sedate Senate water in the cooler took on an undeniably green tint.

Even Irish Music
Irish tunes floated from the House speaker's system.

Rep. William Gallagher appropriately rose for a St. Patrick's day speech praising Ireland — the land of his ancestors.

The end of the talk brought a chuckle from the house when Rep. Arthur Ireland preempted the tribute.

"It gives me a lot of pleasure today to hear Ireland honored so highly," said Ireland, Morse Talk Tonight.

The Democratic sponsored legislative issues conference opened shortly after midday and will climax with Morse's address on "social legislation in the 87th Congress" at a \$5-a-plate dinner tonight.

The conference, with panels on aging, mental health and family problems, started with a keynote by Democratic State Chairman Robert Straub, senator from Eugene, who urged steps toward solving the problem of youth employment in Oregon.

Approximately \$147 Taken From Safe

Ashland — Jackson county sheriff's officers and Ashland police are investigating the burglary of Provost furniture store, 357 East Main st., Ashland, some time between Wednesday night and Thursday morning. Approximately \$147 in currency and silver was taken from a safe.

SPORTSCAST

Oregon A-1 high school basketball tournament games to be broadcast by KJYC (1230 kc) include the Klamath Falls-Grant game at 7:30 p.m. today and the Medford-Wilson game at 8:45 p.m. Saturday KJYC will broadcast the Central Catholic-Douglas fourth place game at 2:45 p.m., the third place game at 7:30 p.m. and the championship game at 8:45 p.m.

KMED (1440 kc) will broadcast the Medford game tonight and the championship game Saturday night.

Salem — UPI — Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton today pressed the possibility of a lawsuit against Idaho Power Co. for alleged loss of fish at Brownlee dam on the Snake river.

Medford Woman Dies in Crash; Fire Kills Four

Brothers Drown Near Roseburg

By United Press International
Ten persons died in three mishaps in less than 24 hours yesterday and early this morning in the Roseburg and Portland areas.

Four persons perished in a highway collision involving a car and a truck on Highway 99 near the Winchester interchange about five miles north of Roseburg.

Victims were Mary Maureen Smith, 46, Medford; Mrs. Mary Elma Spring, 26, Bridge; and Mrs. Spring's two children, Lauren Kay, 4, and Kathleen, 6.

Second Accident
Police noted that it was the second highway accident in Douglas county in less than two weeks in which four persons were killed.

Thursday night's fatal accident occurred when the car in which the victims were riding was passing a pickup truck near where the highway changes from four-lane to two-lane traffic. State police said the northbound car swerved into the southbound lane into the path of a semi-truck. The car was pinned under the truck, and police said it was not determined immediately who was driving.

Also on Thursday, two youths, Randall Lee Erpelding, 10, and his brother, Ladd, 9, were swept to their deaths in the Umpqua river about 10 miles west of Roseburg. Authorities said Ladd had fallen into the stream while playing on its bank and Randall died while trying to save him. The bodies had not been recovered.

Fire Kills Four
In Portland this morning a mother and three of her children were killed in a fire at their new home. The father, a doctor, was away on an emergency call, and one child escaped death.

Killed were Mrs. Paul Schaff and her children, Kathy, about 12; Janie, 5, and Roger, 9.

The coroner's office said death was believed due to asphyxiation. The family apparently was asleep in the upper level of the home in the Raleigh Hills district when the fire broke out presumably near the fireplace in the living room.

Firemen said the alarm was turned in shortly before 1 a.m., and Mrs. Schaff's body was found in the bathroom, while one of the girls was in a closet. The other two children had reportedly left their beds.

Lumber Firm Burglary Being Investigated

Jacksonville — Jacksonville city police and the Oregon state police are continuing their investigation this morning of the recent burglary of Jacksonville Lumber company in which some \$700 worth of tools were taken.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Mostly cloudy tonight with occasional clearing periods. Increasing cloudiness Saturday, with rain beginning in afternoon. Low tonight 33 to 35. High tomorrow 52-55.

Highest Yesterday — 52
Lowest this Morning — 35
Prec. to 10 a.m. Today — 17

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today — 6:20 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow — 6:19 a.m.
Moonset tonight — 7:13 p.m.
First Quarter — March 13

EVENING PLANETS
Venus, above the Moon.
Mars, high in south 7:05 p.m.
MORNING PLANETS
Jupiter and Saturn, in the southeast 5:24 a.m.

Ford Falcon Best In Mobilgas Run

Chicago — UPI — A Ford Falcon has recorded the best gasoline mileage on the longest Mobilgas Economy Run averaging 32.68 miles per gallon for the 2,650-mile distance from Los Angeles to Chicago.

Cars entered in Class A for compact cars with manual transmissions also won second and third place in overall miles per gallon competition. Another Falcon averaged 31.61 miles per gallon and a Chevrolet Corvair turned in an average of 30.79 miles per gallon.

Ashland Airport Runway To Be Widened, Extended

Ashland — The runway of the Ashland airport will be extended to 3,000 feet and width will be restored to 80 feet as soon as weather permits. In addition, a taxiing strip will be put in along the east perimeter.

In making this announcement, Whitland Locke said a move is under way to change the airport name to Parker field. Locke is chairman of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce airport development committee. The committee has been working on developing the airport into a first class small plane port since January.

It is currently owned and operated by Sumner Parker. Parker developed the field in 1951. He has been using it as a runway since 1929. The runway is 2,670 feet long and 50 feet wide.

The chamber has been enthusiastic about developing the facility in view of expanding recreational areas.

FORMAL APPLICATION
Salem — UPI — International Paper Co. Thursday made formal application with the Oregon Land Board for two easements allowing establishment of a pulp mill at Gardiner.

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U.S. Space Scientists Bounce 'Strong Clear' Radio Signals Off Planet Venus

Pasadena, Calif. — UPI — The United States has bounced "strong, clear" radio signals off the planet Venus.

The signals were sent and received back at Goldstone Tracking Station in the Mojave Desert north of Barstow, Calif. It took only 6 1/2 minutes to cover the 70-million mile roundtrip. It was announced Thursday by two top space officials.

Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, deputy administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Dr. William Pickering, Cal Tech Jet Propulsion Laboratory director, said the experiment took place March 10.

Signals have been previously bounced from Venus. But the significance of the latest test was that signals were immediately detectable when they were picked up by two 85-foot dish antennas at

the tracking station, scientists said.

In all earlier tests, elaborate analysis and processing was necessary to determine whether the signals came back, according to Dryden and Pickering.

The signal-bouncing experiment is being used in an effort to learn whether Venus spins on its axis and the nature of its surface, the two scientists said.

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