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Army Dismisses Maj. Roberts for Making DAR Talk

Officer Demands A Court Martial

Washington—UPI—The Army claimed full legal authority Saturday for its action in dismissing Maj. Arch E. Roberts from active military duty because of his unauthorized speech before the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Roberts has demanded a court martial. But an Army spokesman disputed his assertion that his more than 18 years of active service prevent his being cashiered without his consent.

The spokesman further said that Roberts' release from duty was technically an administrative rather than a disciplinary action, and that no court martial or formal appeal procedures apply in his case.

Improper Statements

Army Secretary Elvis J. Stahr Jr. late Friday dismissed Roberts from active duty on the grounds that he made "improper statements" and "violated traditional standards of conduct for an officer" in his April 19 appearance before the DAR. Roberts at one time served as an aide to former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker.

After the Army had refused to approve a speech he had prepared for the occasion, Roberts appeared before the DAR on an impromptu basis. He accused Los Angeles Mayor Sam Yorty of having a "communist background" and also said Assistant Secretary of State G. Mennen Williams had "leftist leanings."

Refused to Accept

At Ft. Lee, Va., where he has been restricted since his suspension following the speech, Roberts refused to accept the Army's action as final. He appealed to Sen. Gordon Allott (R-Colo.) to intervene on his behalf.

A vital question for the 47-year-old Roberts was the fact that an officer on active duty may receive a pension equal to one-half his base pay as soon as he completes 20 years of service, whereas an officer in the reserve status to which he is being returned cannot get a pension until he is 60 years old.

Gold Star Mother President Chosen

Mrs. Hilda Thomas, Coos chapter, was installed president of the Oregon department, American Gold Star Mothers, in the closing session of the 14th annual convention of the group Saturday night at the Jackson House.

She succeeds Mrs. Ord Castle, Toledo. Also taking office were Mrs. Mary Champ, Salem, first vice-president; Mrs. Mildred Edner, Tillamook, second vice-president; Mrs. Helen White, Salem, recording secretary; Mrs. Lois Hollenbeck, Honor chapter, Portland, treasurer; and Mrs. Freyda Brose, Memory chapter, Portland, assistant treasurer.

Also installed were Mrs. Norma Dellage, Eugene, chaplain; Mrs. Roberta Wheeler, Albany, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Clyde Sturgill, Medford, historian; Mrs. Mary Hamilton, Grants Pass, custodian of records; Mrs. Martha Ball, Roseburg, flag guard; Mrs. Mary Jensen, Honor chapter, banner guard.

NEWS BRIEFS

ITEMS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE

JAPANESE DEMONSTRATE AGAINST TESTS

Tokyo—UPI—More than 3,000 singing, chanting Japanese, led by Communists, marched through Tokyo Saturday demanding an end to U.S. nuclear tests and the scrapping of the U.S.-Japan security treaty.

VOTE SHOWS CONFIDENCE IN AYUB KHAN

Karachi, Pakistan—UPI—Early returns in Pakistan's first "basic democracy" elections today indicated a vote of confidence for pro-Western President Mohammed Ayub Khan.

INDONESIAN ARMY ORDERED ON ALERT

Jakarta—UPI—Indonesian army, navy and air force units poised along the West New Guinea front have been ordered on standby alert for what could be an all-out invasion of the disputed territory, according to a PIA news agency report Saturday.

NATIONWIDE STRIKE LOOMS

Buenos Aires—UPI—The possibility of a nationwide general strike before or after May Day loomed Saturday as the Peronist-controlled 62 unions of the General Labor Confederation mapped plans for a protest against the nullification of last month's elections results.



PARADE—What looked like "poor weather" for Medford's annual Pear Blossom parade turned out to be pleasant after all and thousands of spectators were on hand to view the event. The picture above shows part of the crowd and one of the band units that provided lively music for the parade.

Extremist Group Clashes With LA Police; One Dead

Los Angeles—UPI—Extremist black Muslims battled police with guns, bottles, fists and feet early Saturday outside the anti-white sect temple in a riot that killed one muslim and injured 11 men.

About 50 muslims and an equal number of police were involved by the time the riot reached a climax at 12:30 p.m. It started an hour earlier with a seeming routine questioning of two peddlers, and concluded when police jailed nearly a score of the rioters.

Involved in Episode

Wounded by gunfire were one officer and six members of the black muslim cult, four of the latter reported in critical condition. About 100 muslims with brush-cropped haircuts and police were involved in the episode, which officers said "caught us completely by surprise."

A crowd of about 200 watched the battle.

Dead was Robert Stokes, 28, Los Angeles, identified by Lt. Ronald Williamson as one of the black-suited cultists. Police said apparently all those who engaged officers in the frenetic midnight battle were muslims, exclusive of other members of the Negro community where the incident occurred.

The cult advocated a separate "black nation" within the United States for Negroes despite public opposition voiced by local and national Negro leaders to its extremist stand.

National Following

The secret muslim group, headed by a self-proclaimed "Muhammad"—its founder Elijah Poole—is anti-white, anti-integration, anti-Christian. It preaches "without a struggle, there is no progress."

Poole claims a national following of 250,000, but the best police estimates place the number at 60,000.

An apparent minor incident, in which two patrolmen, Stanley Kensis and Frank Tomlinson, questioned two men peddling clothes from a car touched off the riot. Police said one peddler shouted: "We didn't do anything. You're only doing this to us because we're muslims."

Police said those arrested included 15 adult Negroes, all muslims, on suspicion of assault with intent to commit murder. A 17-year-old boy also was in juvenile custody.

Church Float Wins Sweepstakes Prize In Blossom Parade

A float depicting Alice in Wonderland sitting under a weeping pear tree won the grand sweepstakes prize for best theme portrayal in Saturday's pear blossom festival parade in Medford.

The winning float was entered by the primary association of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2nd Ward, in Medford.

Larceny Suspect Lodged in Jail

John Henry Earle, 29, of Burbank, Calif., has been lodged in county jail by Medford police, charged with larceny in connection with the theft of nearly \$13,000 from a Medford dentist's office Wednesday.

Earle was brought back to Medford from Salem Friday night by Lt. Lyle C. Perkins and Officer Milt Hanson who went up to question him. Earle had been apprehended by Salem police Thursday.

According to Medford police, Earle answers the description of a man who took close to \$13,000 in cash and checks from a receptionist in a Mail building dentist's office between 10:45 and 11:15 a.m. Wednesday.

Earle is also suspected in connection with similar thefts from doctors' offices in Chico, Calif., Roseburg, Eugene and Grants Pass.

High-Speed Chase Ends in Arrest

A high speed chase by state police early Saturday morning resulted in jailing Robert Lynn Cripe, 18, of 2682 Crater Lake highway, on reckless driving charges.

State police said Cripe attempted to outrun a patrol car while headed east on McAndrews rd. It ran through a traffic light at Riverside ave. and a stop sign at Biddle rd. At times the patrol car speedometer hit 90 miles an hour.

The Cripe car skidded some distance before crossing Crater Lake ave. and the rear end hit a Copco power pole. At this point, a passenger, Calvin Lee Granger, 18, of 2303 Spring st., either fell or jumped from the car and ran away.

The car continued on and turned onto Buckshot hill rd. It was finally stopped a half mile off Crater Lake ave. As the car slowed to a stop, a second passenger, a 17-year-old, jumped out and ran.

State police said further charges may be made against Cripe.

Medford Man Lodged In Jail After Crash

A 68-year-old Medford man was lodged in Jackson county jail Friday night after he was involved in an auto collision at Highway 99 and Billings Hill.

James Wallis Ambler of 28 North Orange st., Medford, was jailed on a charge of being drunk on a public highway.

He suffered minor injuries when his auto struck a car driven by Verne Alva Wiggins, 32, of 1305 Siskiyou blvd., Ashland.

Justice Brand To Be Main Speaker During Law Day

Retired Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court James T. Brand will be the principal speaker Tuesday, May 1, during Law day activities in Jackson county circuit court number 1.

The activities, open to the public, will start at 9:30 a.m. Judge Brand was appointed judge of the military tribunal for major war criminals in Nurnberg, Germany in 1947. A graduate of Oberlin college and Harvard Law school, Judge Brand was admitted to the Oregon bar in 1914 and was awarded an honorary doctor of law degree from Willamette university in 1948. He practiced law on the coast and served as city attorney for Coos Bay prior to being appointed circuit judge in 1927 for the second judicial district. He was appointed to the state supreme court in 1941 and served as chief justice from 1951 to 1953.

Although retired, he serves as a law professor on the staff of Stetson university, St. Petersburg, Fla.

During the Law day program the winner of the local high school student editorial contest will be presented with her award. The winner, Miss Mary Clare Stuart, 2650 Beall lane, Central Point, is a senior at Crater High school. Her editorial on the theme of Law day, appeared in the April 4 school newspaper. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Stuart, she will receive \$25 and a certificate from the Oregon State Bar association.

Chairman of the activities in Medford, under the auspices of the Jackson county Bar association, are A. E. Piazza and Paul Haviland.

Ashland Woman Hurt When Struck by Bike

Ashland—Teressa Crew, 20, of Campus Trail court, Ashland, suffered minor injuries Saturday when she was struck by a boy on a bicycle in the Ashland plaza.

Timothy Reeder, 12, of Granite st., Ashland, was on the bike. The accident occurred at 2:45 p.m.

"How Dare You Follow Me, You Criminal!"

Vehicle decoration awards went to the Raapke girls, first, Molly Wilson, second, Dana and Patricia Nedermeyer, third, David Compton and Lynn Louise Swaser, fourth, David McEachron and Stan Horton, fifth, Billy Pearson, sixth, and Billy Jones, seventh.

In the animal and pet category, Shelley Hayse, Christine Hayse and Michael Bailey were first; Pamela Sorenson, second; Susan Kimball, third; Jeff Plankenhorn, fourth, and Keith Robbins, fifth.

In the individual section Debra Tyler was first; Carol Lambrecht, second; Carol Kagy, third; Nancy and Susan Davidson, fourth; Diane Huntemann, fifth; Pamela Wiese, sixth, and Pat Taylor, seventh.

The Chamber of Commerce announced that prize winners who did not pick up their checks at the park Saturday may do so at the chamber office anytime this week.

Sports Bulletin

Saturday Night Baseball National League: Milwaukee 9, Houston 3 American League: Baltimore 3, Kan. City 2

JFK, MacMillan Agree to Consider Summit Meeting

Series of High Altitude Nuclear Tests Scheduled

May Be Set Off In Next Few Days

Washington—UPI—A series of high altitude nuclear tests may be set off in the next few days at Johnston island, 800 miles southwest of Honolulu.

So far joint Task Force 8 has fired two atmospheric shots since the current U. S. testing series began last Wednesday. Both blasts were triggered near British-controlled Christmas island, 1,500 miles from Hawaii.

But Johnston island, a small coral atoll, is due to become operational on Monday under plans previously announced by the Atomic Energy commission. Shots fired there might be seen from Hawaii, a situation which has not been true with the two devices exploded near Christmas island.

First Real Test

Johnston island is going to be the site of nuclear blasts set off at extremely high altitudes. In addition, a nuclear-tipped Polaris missile may be fired there in the first real test of this submarine-borne deterrent.

In keeping with its policy of releasing a minimum amount of information about the tests, the AEC has given out no schedule of forthcoming shots.

But the pace of the first two indicates that they will be frequent. Friday's shot was set off almost precisely 48 hours after the initial explosion in the series.

President Kennedy has directed that the tests be carried out as rapidly as possible. They probably will be completed sometime in June.

The U. S. tests are proceeding on two fronts. In addition to the Pacific blasts, the Atomic Energy commission is continuing with its underground series in Nevada. Friday, it set off the 30th publicly announced underground shot there since last September.

Medford Duo Wins Mechanics Contest

Portland—UPI—Two Medford High school seniors, Clarence Lamp and Jim Sevik captured first place in the Oregon Plymouth trouble shooting contest here Saturday.

The youths captured the automobile mechanics contest in competition with eight other two-man teams. They earned the right to represent the state at the national Plymouth trouble shooting contest at Detroit, Mich., June 26.

Lamp and Sevik remedied several pre-arranged engine malfunctions in 48 minutes and 53 seconds.



SPECTATOR—Joyce Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Clark, Medford, waves at a pair of clowns in the Pear Blossom parade Saturday afternoon. The off-and-on sunshine made people squint and played havoc with photographers trying to calculate exposures.

More Welfare Aid Said Offered for Less Local Money

Jackson county is receiving more services from the county welfare department for less local money.

Because of this, Jackson county may have approximately \$48,000 for other services than what is included in the tentative county budget, now under consideration by the county budget committee.

This fact became known Friday after the state welfare commission, in a regional meeting in Medford, approved the state's 1962-63 fiscal year budget for \$45,904,673.

Jackson county's share is \$14,541,191. Of this \$758,469 is from federal funds, 487,005 from state funds, and \$208,717 to be supplied from county sources.

James Pullman, county welfare administrator, explained that this reduction in costs of welfare from local sources is a trend that was started about four years ago. In 1959-60 the county had to pay \$256,839 for local welfare services and this part of the budget has gradually decreased with the federal matching funds and state monies making up the difference.

In the tentative county budget now under consideration by the county budget committee, some \$254,658 has been slated for the welfare department.

During the Friday afternoon session of the commission meeting, H. D. Christensen, chairman of the Jackson county welfare commission, presided during a discussion period.

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Straub to Speak On Public Power

Robert Straub, Eugene, who is seeking the Democratic nomination for Representative of the Fourth district, will speak at a no-hostess luncheon on May 1 at Kim's restaurant, South Pacific hwy.

His topic will be "Public Power and Its Effect on Oregon."

A question and answer period will follow the talk. Then he will speak to the regular meeting of the Democratic Central committee at 7:30 o'clock that night at the Labor Temple in Medford.

Yanks in Finals of World Piano Contest

Moscow—UPI—Two Americans placed Saturday among the 12 finalists at the second international Tchaikovsky piano contest.

They were Roy Vincent Bogas of Richmond, Calif., and Susan Starr of Philadelphia.

Four Americans out of the 16 who began the competition managed to reach the second round.

Talks To Be Held Only If Results Are in Prospect

Time Said Not Ripe at Present

Washington—UPI—President Kennedy and British Prime Minister Harold MacMillan agreed Saturday to consider a summit meeting with Nikita Khrushchev if there was any prospect it would produce useful results.

However, U. S. and British sources said conditions for a fruitful meeting-at-the-top did not appear ripe at the present.

They cited the continued Berlin deadlock and Russia's flat refusal to accept an effective nuclear test ban as reasons for doubting that much progress would be made.

Will Continue

The discussion of the prospects of meeting the Soviet premier was one of several topics covered by MacMillan and Kennedy in day-long talks at the White House. These sessions will continue today before the British premier leaves for Canada.

According to American and British sources, the two allied leaders agreed the United States should press ahead with its talks with the Russians in an effort to find a basis for solving the Berlin crisis.

But as far as the summit was concerned, they noted that Khrushchev, in a recent interview, had come to agree with Kennedy's view that there was no use holding such a conference unless there was some prospect it would make progress.

The President was said to still stand on his three conditions for a summit meeting—it must show promise for success, or be necessary to avert a major crisis, or be in the "national interest."

Berlin and disarmament occupied the morning session, which was followed by a luncheon given by the President in honor of his guest.

Then in the afternoon they resumed the talks, devoting them in part to the six-nation common market which Britain—with U. S. backing—is getting ready to join.

Kennedy described the morning session as "very good."

County Budget Group May Wind Up Work

The Jackson county budget committee, already behind in its budget work, will meet Tuesday and Thursday in hopes of winding up the budget studies this week.

Major budget items yet to be passed on are the county clerk's department, recreation, sheriff, county assessor and salaries for all department heads.

Friday, the budget committee still had taken no action on the \$7,000 requested for a teacher at the juvenile detention home. Earlier the budget committee had tentatively disallowed the item. Indications were Friday that committee members would make this a positive "no" Tuesday.

Considerable Discussion

Referring to the other major budget time which received considerable discussion Friday, County Judge Earl Miller said the budget committee has tentatively established a capital improvement fund of "not more than \$150,000" to cover the county's share of the proposed health clinic building.

Federal Hill-Burton funds would provide one-third of the estimated cost of the clinic building, or \$80,144. Dr. A. Erin Merkle, Jackson county public health officer, has been instructed to get a more accurate estimate on the building costs.

Miller said the \$150,000 tentative allocation would also cover equipment for the clinic building. However, he noted that Dr. Merkle is asking the budget committee for approximately \$61,288 for its

Annual Salary

It also approved \$8,043 for the Ashland justice of the peace court budget and granted the justice of peace a \$204 raise to \$4,032 in annual salary. Also approved was a \$4,050 budget for the Gold Hill justice of the peace court, including a \$154 raise for the justice of peace to an annual salary of \$2,484.

It also approved an allocation of \$7,300 to hire a soils scientist to make a comprehensive soils classification study of Rogue valley soils. The approval followed letters from Oregon Milk Producers, the Jackson County Stockmen's association, Jackson county planning commission, county assessor, county health department, all three irrigation districts, Agricultural Conservation and Stabilization office, Farm Bureau, First National Bank of Oregon, Medford branch, and T. H. Haight, real estate operator.

The committee also approved \$19,089 in mental health funds for an expanded program. The state will grant \$19,089 if the application is approved in Salem.