

Merger of El Paso-Pacific Northwest Pipeline Set Aside

Columnist Inez Robb Has No Regrets for Talk

Phoenix - (UPI) - Inez Robb, the syndicated newspaper columnist, said today she was glad to be out of the Camelback Inn but that she had no regrets about the week-end speech she made there criticizing right-wing extremists.

After her talk to the Arizona Association of Deans of Women, her husband was told by the management of the resort hotel that the Robbs were no longer welcome.

"I deeply resent this effort to make us appear to be free-loaders," Mrs. Robb said. "We paid our own way to the Camelback as we always do."

"What I said in my talk needed to be said. I made a point of the fact that I was not criticizing the Republican party, which is a Grand Old Party as its initials imply. The GOP is in favor of freedom of speech, the same as I am."

"I said that Major Roberts got what he asked for when he was suspended by the Army for a speech he made before the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington. He defied regulations and all of us should be glad to know that the Army is still under civilian control."

Mrs. Robb said she spoke with conviction about the extremists of the far right and meant every word she said.

"What we are seeing," she said, "is the development of a splinter political group which is Fascist, the same as in Italy. The John Birch Society is made up of people who don't want to pay taxes. They are not capable of coping with the 20th century."

Booklet Prompted Remarks She said the finding of an anti-Communist booklet in her room instead of a Bible prompted her off-the-cuff remarks Saturday at the luncheon.

The owner of the hotel, Jack Stewart, said he was very upset about the content of the speech. He said he had one of his sons ask the Robbs to leave.

Stewart said he has devoted a great deal of time to a program against communism, and had installed a "freedom shelf" in the guest room which includes about 30 books by many anti-Communist authors.

Jordan Has Plan to Cope With Problem Amman, Jordan - (UPI) - The Jordanian government has an overall plan for the Palestine problem that avoids "mob slogans and long speeches" in favor of "practical solutions and studied actions," Premier Wasfi Al-Tal said Sunday.

He told a news conference a ministerial delegation would discuss the plan with other Arab countries as soon as it is completed and approved by Parliament.

Pravda Publishes Chinese Congratulations Moscow - (UPI) - Pravda Sunday published a message of congratulations from the Communist Chinese government to Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev and President Leonid Brezhnev on their reelection at last week's Supreme Soviet.

Former War Refugee Ends 900-Mile Walk Land's End, England - (UPI) - Former Belgian war refugee Gustave de Jonckheere strolled into town Sunday night at the end of a 40-day, 900-mile walk from John O'Groats in the extreme north of Scotland.

"There was nothing to it," he said. De Jonckheere is 73.



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Supreme Court Majority Opinion Voids FPC Action

Washington - (UPI) - The Supreme Court ruled today that the Federal Power Commission cannot approve a merger of two pipelines when the government is challenging the same merger in court under antitrust laws.

The 5-2 ruling, set aside the merger of the El Paso Natural Gas Co. and Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corp., which took place with commission approval Dec. 31, 1959.

The majority opinion was written by Justice William O. Douglas. Justice John M. Harlan wrote a dissent in which Justice Potter Stewart joined. Justices Felix Frankfurter and Byron R. White took no part in the decision.

New Procedural Rule Harlan protested that the majority had evolved "a new and surprising antitrust procedural rule," which could apply to all government agencies where antitrust laws are applicable.

He said the decision creates "a wholly artificial imbalance between antitrust law enforcement and administrative regulation."

Douglas, however, said that if an antitrust decision holds illegal a transaction approved earlier by the FPC "an unscrambling" would become necessary involving "a needless waste of time and money."

"Also these unscrambling processes often raise complicated and perplexing problems on tax matters," he added.

Douglas also said FPC approval "is bound to carry momentum into the antitrust trust suit."

"The very prospect of undoing what was done raises a powerful influence in the antitrust litigation," the opinion asserted. "The orderly procedure is for the commission to await decision in the antitrust suit before taking action."

The commission approved the acquisition of assets in the El Paso case while a U.S. District Court in Salt Lake City delayed trial of a government civil suit under the Clayton Antitrust Law.

California brought the case to the high court.

Sold in California The great bulk of El Paso's gas is sold for distribution in California. Its system extends from Texas and New Mexico gas fields through Arizona and New Mexico to the California border.

Before the merger Pacific Northwest operated from the Canadian border through Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah and Colorado.

Student To Attend University Event Miss Barbara L. Whalin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald B. Whalin, 600 Windsor ave., will leave Friday to attend the 36th annual May week end May 4 through May 6 on the Willamette university campus in Salem.

Whalin, a Medford high school senior, will be a guest in the Alpha Chi Omega sorority house. Her present plan is to study elementary teaching.

The week end at the university is for the purpose of acquainting present high school students and prospective Willamette freshmen with the diversified aspects of college life.

About 150 high school seniors from California, Washington and Oregon, plan to attend.

April Mercy Flights Are Above Average Two more flights by Mercy Flights, Inc., planes yesterday and today brought the total number for the month of April to 15, or one every other day, and the grand total to 1,407. The April total was about one-third higher than the average in recent months.

Yesterday's flight was from Long Beach, Calif., to Roseburg, Ore., carrying W. H. Bovett of Riddle. He became ill in California while on vacation and was returned to the care of friends.

Today, Eugene Disworth, 21 Genesee st., Medford, was flown from Red Bluffs to Medford for treatment of injuries, including a fractured hip, suffered in an automobile accident recently. He will be at Rogue Valley hospital.

Awards Contract Washington - (UPI) - The Public Health Service has awarded Charles Pfizer & Co., Inc. Terre Haute, Ind., the first contract for development of vaccines against the common cold. The company was given a one-year \$211,000 contract.

Two Killed, Three Hurt as Ships Hit at Mouth of Chesapeake Bay

Norfolk, Va. - (UPI) - Two passengers were killed and three persons were injured when two foreign cargo-passenger ships collided in heavy fog Sunday near the mouth of Chesapeake Bay.

A tug today slowly pulled the Norwegian freighter Tarantel, which suffered a 20-foot gash in her starboard side, toward Newport News, Va.

The Hellenic Splendor, a 7,293-ton Greek ship, suffered a stove-in bow, but headed under her own power toward Philadelphia.

The dead and injured were aboard the 6,224-ton Tarantel. "It happened suddenly," a woman passenger of the Tarantel said. "Most of the people were in their beds."

The woman said she was tossed to the floor of her cabin. The dead were identified as Richard Berry, 39, Westfield, N.J., and Mrs. Italo Fabiani, 52, Montreal.

The injured were identified as Mrs. Berry, 37, Mrs. Dabiani's husband and August Hjordi, 35, Denmark, a first mate.

Mrs. Berry and Fabiani suffered minor cuts. Hjordi was hospitalized with cuts and a broken nose. He said he was asleep at the time of the collision and was thrown from his bunk.

The collision occurred at the mouth of the bay about 25 miles east of here. The Tarantel, owned by Barber Wilhelmsen company, Tossenburg, Norway, carried 47 crewmen and 12 passengers. A Coast Guard boat evacuated most of the persons on the ship.

The Coast Guard said the Tarantel had left New York for Newport News to pick up general cargo. She apparently was to have proceeded to ports in Central America. The Hellenic Splendor, owned by Hellenic Lines Ltd., was bound for Philadelphia from Baltimore.

Terrorism Reduced The moves by Katz' men helped reduce terrorism in Oran, but elsewhere in Algeria Sunday the casualty toll continued at its usual level. Shootings and bombings killed 14 persons and injured 9 others, raising the known toll since Jan. 1 to 4,039 dead and 8,353 injured.

Oran, a seaport in western Algeria, is a center of OAS activity aimed at keeping Algeria from Moslem rule. OAS extremists have been committing terrorism in hopes of provoking Moslem violence that would sabotage the French-Algerian cease fire.

Persons Injured Auto Accidents Three persons, one a pedestrian and two others riding in a car, received injuries in separate accidents in Medford Friday and Saturday.

Joseph Desvoiet Daley, 73, of 226 1/2 North Front st., was treated as an out-patient at Rogue Valley hospital after he was struck by a car while crossing the street about 9:51 p.m. Saturday at Sixth and Central ave. Driver of the car, Benjamin Lawrence Lear Jr., 44, of 16 South Peach st., was cited for failure to yield the right of way to a pedestrian.

Injured slightly in a three-car collision about 5:25 p.m. Friday were Marie Weaver Small, 47, Central Point, one of the drivers, and Ruby Doris Avery, 62, of 1043 Court st., a passenger in one of the cars.

Other drivers involved in the accident, which occurred on North Riverside ave., were Charles Jo Meyer, 17, Central Point, and Loren Leon Avery, 64, of 1043 Court st. Mrs. Meyer was cited for following too closely and for not having a driver's license in her possession.

Stock List Stages Substantial Rally New York - (UPI) - Stocks came off the floor to stage a substantial rally today.

A sizable gain in the Dow Jones industrial average reflected a rise of 2 in American Telephone and jumps of around a point in Du Pont and Union Carbide among the chemicals. General Motors, U.S. Steel and Woolworth.

American Motors was another strong one, up 1/2 on heavy turnover in view of quadrupled fiscal first half earnings, and standard Oil of California added a good fraction in the oils after being designated "stock of the month" by a leading advisory service.

Stocks sold off more sharply last week than in any weekly period of the year so far. Also unsettling was the fact that volume steadily picked up on the decline, topping 4 million shares for the first time since mid-February on Friday.

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