

Sherri Finkbine Receives Swedish Board's Approval for Abortion

The Beauties of Scenic Oregon

(Oregon State Highway Commission Photo)



Sundown at Oswald West State park silhouettes vacationers as they walk along the smooth sandy beach.

Haworth Protests Use Of City Park By Fruit Pickers

City Parks and Recreation Director Robert L. Haworth this morning protested fruit pickers using Maple Park. "They camp there overnight and completely take over the area crowding other groups out," Haworth told the county court this morning. "The farm labor trailer used by the Oregon State Employment service on the fairgrounds attracts them. We were told last year that the employment service would not be allowed to locate its trailer there this year."

County Judge Earl M. Miller showed Haworth a letter he had written Glen Hasty who operates the farm labor office. In his letter Miller asked Hasty to see that migrant labor does not use the tree-shaded area for camping. Haworth noted that Hasty closes his office at 5 p.m. each day and cannot be held responsible for the park use after that.

Additional Expense
"We realize that a centrally located farm labor office and camping grounds are an economic necessity to the pear growers so we have not cracked down before this," Haworth said. "But we feel the pear growers should assume their responsibility here toward providing centrally located camping grounds for these people."

Haworth said his department spent \$800 last year on the park because of migratory labor use. This covered new restroom plumbing, two new mirrors and increased labor costs to keep the area clean. The city parks and recreation budget cannot stand such an expenditure, Haworth added.

Lane County Loot Recovered by Police

Portland — Police arrested two men here Thursday and said they recovered loot valued at \$1,200 taken in two burglaries near Veneta in Lane county Monday night. Turned over to the Lane County sheriff's office were Thomas Alan Tucker, 25, Portland, and William D. Campbell, 22, Eugene.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Variable clouds and mild temperatures today and Saturday. Outlook Sunday fair. Low tonight 48-52. High Saturday 63-65.

Highest Yesterday 48
Lowest This Morning 52

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 7:11 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 5:21 a.m.
Moonrise tonight 8:43 p.m.
Last Quarter Aug. 22
Shooting stars or meteors are soon after night of the year and are more numerous after midnight. Those seen the last several nights were mostly of the Perseid Meteor Shower.

NEWS BRIEFS

POLARIS MISSILE BLOWS UP IN SKY
Cape Canaveral, Fla. — A Navy Polaris missile blew up in the sky today less than 15 seconds after it was launched on a planned test flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

DRIVE LAUNCHED FOR SHORTER WEEK
Chicago — Members of the AFL-CIO's 27-member executive council prepared today to begin organized labor's drive for a 35-hour work week.

U. S. RECOGNIZES PERU GOVERNMENT
Washington — The United States today formally recognized the month-old military government of Peru and said it is resuming most economic aid and Peace Corps programs.

Operation Will Be Performed On Saturday

Mother of Four Weeps for Joy

Stockholm — Mrs. Sherri Finkbine, 30, today won permission for the legal abortion she was denied in the United States and entered the hospital a few hours later for the operation Saturday.

Mrs. Finkbine, mother of four, wept with joy and relief when informed that the State Medical Board had approved termination of her pregnancy. **More Tests Necessary**

She promptly hurried to the hospital with her husband in the belief that she would undergo the operation today. But doctors said they would require additional tests and set the operation for Saturday.

Finkbine left the hospital early this evening after talking to the doctors.

Permission for the abortion was granted by the State Medical Board this morning on the grounds that prolonged pregnancy and birth might endanger her physical health.

The Phoenix, Ariz., television performer, had feared her fifth child would be born deformed because she had taken the drug Thalidomide during the early stages of her pregnancy.

Mrs. Finkbine, in hope of a favorable decision by the board, had arranged in advance to enter the Caroline Hospital this afternoon. Mrs. Finkbine is ending the 13th week of pregnancy. Although she had been told in the United States that a caesarian operation might be necessary, Mrs. Finkbine said Swedish doctors have assured her they do not consider such surgery necessary at this stage.

Senate Approves Satellite Bill On 66-11 Vote

Washington — The Senate today overwhelmingly approved President Kennedy's bill to set up a worldwide communications satellite network after a small band of filibustering Democrats ran out of delaying tactics.

The vote, climaxing 19 days of often bitter debate, was a victory for the President's plan to establish a privately owned but government-supervised corporation to operate the system and was a defeat for the irreconcilable opponents in his own party who held out for government ownership.

Measure Unchanged
The measure, which escaped unchanged from a host of proposed opposition amendments, now goes to the House. That chamber, which already has passed a similar bill, was expected to accept the Senate version and send it to the President for his signature.

Final passage of the bill would mark a historic step toward live television, radio, telephone and telegraph communications between the United States and overseas nations, via space satellites. The technique was dramatically illustrated by the Telstar satellite.

'Giveaway' Charged
To the very end opponents charged the measure would lead to a private monopoly and would be a "giveaway" of the taxpayers' investment in space research. They said the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., developer of Telstar, would be able to control the new system.

The vote was 66-11. Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), leader of the filibuster bloc, stuck by his guns right up to the vote. In an emotional summary, he said flags in Washington "should be lowered to half-mast" as the bill passed.

Ashland Safe Theft Found Unsuccessful

Ashland — An unsuccessful attempt to break open a safe at Ashland Lumber company, 384 Oak st., was made last night or early this morning. Ashland police reported that someone pried open a side door to the lumber yard and then a rear door into the office, but efforts to break into the safe were unsuccessful.

Five Americans Released in Laos

Five Americans, who sometimes were so hungry they ate weeds, have been released from pro-Communist jails in Laos. The story is on page 2A.



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Humphrey Erupts in Shouts

Symington Gavel Adjournment After Uproar

Each Questions Other's Integrity

Washington — George M. Humphrey's appearance before Senate investigators ended in a furious political uproar today with Democrats saying they would not let the former treasury secretary hide behind former President Dwight D. Eisenhower's back.

The Senate hearing erupted in a bitter, shouting exchange between Humphrey and Sen. Stuart Symington, chairman of Senate stockpile investigators. Each man questioned the other's integrity.

The display of temper stunned the spectators and set off loud confusion.

Symington rapped the hearing to adjournment, saying he would not continue until the subcommittee could study Humphrey's accusations.

Statement in Paper

What angered Symington was a statement attributed to the former cabinet officer in this morning's edition of the Christian Science Monitor.

"They don't dare attack Ike (former President Dwight D. Eisenhower) direct so they are attacking me," Humphrey was quoted as saying. "This is a stab in the back."

Symington read a 10-page statement opening today's scheduled questioning and then rapped his gavel for adjournment.

The two Republican subcommittee members, Sens. Prescott Bush, Connecticut, and J. Glenn Bell, Maryland, challenged him vigorously.

'Political Exercise'
Bush, "demanding" to be heard, said Symington obviously was engaged in a "political exercise."

While the Democrats and the Republicans were shouting at each other Humphrey broke in to tell Symington, "The statement you have made is ample proof of the extreme presidential atmosphere of this hearing."

Humphrey angrily declared, "You can't stop me from making any statement," but Symington slammed his gavel again.

"This hearing is adjourned," Symington said. "Don't ever tell me as a United States senator what I can do and cannot do," he snapped.

Humphrey later said he did not intend to level charges against the Senate but rather against Symington's "extreme bitterness." He said he would challenge Symington "in any forum to discuss the issues."

Much of Thursday's questioning centered around two points: (1) Whether Humphrey wielded influence from his cabinet post to get a better stockpile contract for the Hanna Co. and (2) Whether Hanna and its subsidiaries profited too much at the taxpayers' expense.

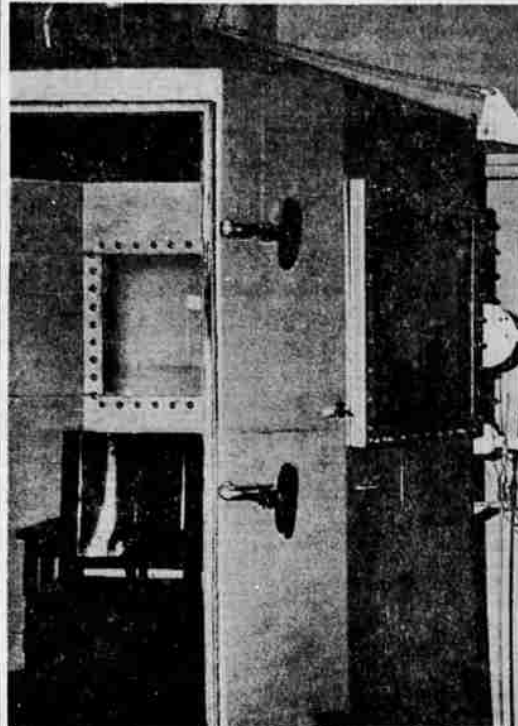
Point Brushed Off

Humphrey brushed off the first point by saying the contract was sealed after months of negotiation on Jan. 16, 1953, four days before the Eisenhower administration took office.

The answer is positively no," he said, noting with a smile that the Truman administration stayed in office until Jan. 20.

As for Hanna's profits, Humphrey said figures given by his accountants and those given the subcommittee by government auditors would be "very close" if the senators only would concede that the company's payment of \$1.7 million for a smelter valued at \$17.9 million was really a cash bonus to the taxpayers.

Humphrey insisted that the smelter would be worthless if there were no nearby Hanna-owned nickel ore to refine. Moreover, he said, the government's advance to build the smelter was paid back in lower-priced nickel.



CHAMBER READIED—The gas chamber at the state penitentiary in Salem has been readied for the scheduled execution of LeeRoy Sanford McGahuey early Monday. McGahuey is one of four persons being held in death row. (UPI)

Fluoride Measure Planned For Vote In Fall Election

A measure providing for the addition of fluoride to Medford's drinking water will appear on the ballot in the fall election as a result of action by the Medford city council last night.

Medford Attorney Ronald Ricketts, representing a group who petitioned the council to place the fluoridation measure on the ballot, said that his clients "did not seek an indication from the council approving fluoridation," but merely asked that the people of Medford be given an opportunity to vote on it.

He reminded the council that it has been six years since a fluoridation proposal has been put before the people for a vote.

City Manager Robert Duff told the council that the petition contained 212 signatures, but that 16 of the signatures were from people who lived outside the city limits.

Verne Shangle, 1445 Kings highway, said he did not think this was the "proper function" of the council.

"If this measure is put on the ballot by council action," he said, "it will give the voters of Medford the impression that the council is in favor of fluoridation."

Following Shangle's remarks, the motion to place the measure on the November ballot was amended by Councilman Donald Hansen and the words, "without recommendation," were added to the resolution.

Council vote on the measure was unanimous.

Meanwhile in Ashland petitions are being circulated to obtain some 800 signatures by Aug. 28 so that the fluoridation issue may appear on the November ballot there.

Logging Truck Backs Over Worker at Mill

Centralia, Wash. — Joseph W. Suter Jr., 21, Mineral, was killed at the St. Regis Paper Co. operations about 14 miles east of Mineral Thursday when a logging truck backed over him.

Sports Bulletin

Helsinki — Davey Moore of Columbus, Ohio, made the fifth successful defense of his world featherweight boxing championship at the outdoor Olympic stadium tonight when he beat Olli Maki of Finland on a technical knockout after 2:31 of the second round.



WAITS EXECUTION — LeeRoy Sanford McGahuey, above, convicted of killing a Central Point child in February, 1961, is scheduled to die in the gas chamber at the state penitentiary in Salem at 12:15 a.m. Monday. (UPI)

Mail Tribune Reporter To Witness McGahuey Execution

By GEORGE H. BELL
Mail Tribune Staff Writer
I've never seen a man die before.

But Sunday afternoon I'm going to get in my car and drive to Salem for the express purpose of watching LeeRoy Sanford McGahuey draw his last breath on earth.

I will be covering the execution of the convicted murderer for the Mail Tribune.

I cannot say the assignment was thrust upon me. I volunteered for it.

For the last two weeks, ever since I was told I would be going, I have been trying to imagine what it will be like, with the supposition that if I can see it in my mind's eye before it happens, the actual impact of the sight will be lessened.

But secretly I know this is a fool's notion. It won't work, and I'm really only kidding myself that there is any preparation one can take beforehand to steel himself against the sight of a man's death.

I should say that I am now — and have been for years — completely and totally opposed to capital punishment. I am unable rationally to justify the taking of a human life.

Put me down as a dew-eyed bleeding heart if you like, but I do not see how

the dead boy or his mother will be served by killing McGahuey.

Certainly it is not going to deter — even for a single second — any potential killer now walking our streets. Statistically, the majority of murderers are committed in compulsive fits of passion or by psychotics, who in the instant they take a mother's life, couldn't care less what will happen to them afterwards.

But these are old arguments. They've been propounded many times before. Some people are moved by them; others are not. Apparently, judging by what happened to an anti-capital punishment measure every time it has been put to a vote in recent years, the majority of the citizens of Oregon still believe in the efficacy of revenge.

Midnight

And so it is that sometime around a quarter past midnight Monday, a human being will be sealed in an air-tight chamber into which, at a given signal, deadly cyanide pellets will be dropped.

I don't know anything about poison gases, but I'm sure it was most humanely selected from among the several ones available. Doubtless, it is colorless, tasteless, odorless and maybe even painless. But we know it will kill.

Probably it will be all over within a few minutes, and those of us who were there in one capacity or another to watch it, will file out.

Maybe I'll be sick (I've been warned that I will be), or

maybe I'll be crying — that often happens too, I hear. Somebody will say, "Let's go get a drink." So that's what we'll do. I expect I'll have more than one.

Tell the Story
And all the while my mind will be jumbled with impressions and thoughts: How can I tell them (you, the readers) about it? What can I say? Will I be able to bring it home to them?

When I finally do sit down at the typewriter to do the story, I will have to resist an impulse to over-dramatize or sentimentalize the execution. I will have to be careful to just tell the story as simply as possible.

But, then, perhaps that is all that will be necessary.

Border Police Trade Tear Gas

Berlin — East and West Berlin police fought a tear gas duel today over the body of a refugee shot and killed by the Communists as he tried to scale the wall.

The wounded man died with bullets in his stomach and back. He lay screaming for help for 45 minutes while the Communist police who shot him made no effort to go to his aid.

The Communists hurled tear gas grenades over the wall at West Berliners gathering there shouting "murders" and West Berlin police retaliated with tear gas of their own.

Requests Are Approved For City Sidewalk Sale

Requests from the downtown merchants to conduct a sidewalk sale during Aug. 30 and 31, and to have all parking meters in the city hooded on those two days were granted at last night's meeting of the Medford city council.

The request for the sidewalk sale passed the council without comment, but the parking meter proposal evoked considerable discussion.

The measure was passed, on a motion by Councilman Stan Stark, with the stipulation that the Park and Shop lots be opened up for free use by the public during the two days.

Downtown Medford merchants Eugene Orr and Mrs. Phil Brainard addressed the council in support of the requests.

Mrs. Brainard said she felt the suspension of the parking

meters for two days would attract business to the downtown area and would provide "a shot in the arm for our merchants."

City Manager Robert Duff estimated that the loss in revenue to the city from the two-day suspension of the parking meters would amount to about \$500.

Mrs. Brainard was asked by Councilman Donald Hansen why the merchants themselves didn't put money in the meters during the sale to provide free parking for their customers. She replied, in effect, that the merchants couldn't afford it.

Councilman Robert L. Van Sickle, who joined Hansen in voting against the proposal, warned that this was simply a "stop-gap measure," and that sooner or later the downtown merchants were going to have to take steps to solve their own problems.