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CARDINALS IN ROME—American Cardinals attending the 21st Ecumenical Council at Vatican City are shown as they strolled in the garden of American College in Rome during a break in conference duties. They are, from left,

Albert Gregory Cardinal Meyer, Chicago; Richard James Cardinal Cushing, Boston; Francis Cardinal Spellman, New York; James Francis Cardinal McIntyre, Los Angeles; and Joseph Elmer Cardinal Ritter, St. Louis. (UPI)

Ben Bella To Confer Medal on Cuban Premier

Havana (UPI)—Algerian premier Ahmed Ben Bella was expected to confer his country's first "Medal of Honor" on Premier Fidel Castro before leaving Cuba this afternoon.

In a speech Tuesday, Ben Bella said the Algerian "National Liberty Front" had awarded its only medal so far to Castro.

Ben Bella was the guest of honor Tuesday night at a private banquet given by Castro and President Osvaldo Dorticos. Excerpts of his speech were broadcast at half-hour intervals by the Castro television network.

Castro welcomed Ben Bella on his arrival here Tuesday with a speech heaping abuse on the United States.

The bearded Cuban told the Arab Algerian premier, who had been a guest of President Kennedy at the White House only 24 hours earlier, that his visit to Cuba in the face of "Yankee imperialism" was a "gesture we shall never forget."

Castro's brief speech was his bitterest anti-American attack since he seized power in 1959. His hearers included thousands of workers turned out by his revolutionary regime to give Ben Bella a warmer welcome to Cuba than he received in the United States.

"To make this visit at a time when the powerful Yankee empire is using the threat of blackmail, bribery, criminal trade and economic blockade in an effort to make our revolution surrender through hunger... is an act of courage on your part, Mr. Prime Minister," Castro said.

Moon Shot Reset For Thursday

Cape Canaveral, Fla. (UPI)—The Federal space agency, prompted by tropical storm Ella's change in course, did an about face today and decided to go ahead Thursday with an attempt to shoot its Ranger 3 spacecraft toward the moon. The shot was hastily squeezed back into the range firing schedule today, and informed sources said "right now, it looks good."

NEWS BRIEFS

FIRE RAZES AMMUNITION BUILDING

Memphis, Tenn. (UPI)—Fire flashed through an ammunition assembly building here today where about 30 employees were working after an incendiary-type bomb ignited and touched off other bombs.

The sheriff's office said all of the workers escaped but four women were hospitalized for treatment of shock.

CUBA TRADE CRACKDOWN DISCUSSED

Washington (UPI)—The State Department has sent its top lawyer to Paris to discuss with NATO officials the U. S. crackdown on ships trading with Cuba.

RUSSIA FIRES MULTI-STAGE ROCKET

Moscow (UPI)—The Soviet Union fired a new type of multi-stage carrier rocket more than 7,500 miles into a prearranged target area in the Central Pacific Tuesday and today, the official Tass news agency said.

Officials Discuss Jefferson School Combination Class

A first and third grade combination class at Jefferson school was discussed at the Medford school board meeting last night.

Selected children from each grade were placed in the combination class to relieve crowded conditions in the two grades.

Enrollment exceeded expectations at Jefferson, and the

Missing Woman, Children Found Dead in Vehicle

The Jackson county coroner's office plans an autopsy today on the body of Mrs. Nancy Carol Rohl, 27, Grants Pass, and her two sons who were found shot to death yesterday afternoon in a car parked at Gold Hill's Rocky Point cemetery. The car was locked.

Mrs. Rohl, who had been missing with her two children since Oct. 7, apparently shot Eric, 5, and Carl, 2, then shot herself, the Jackson county sheriff's office reported this morning.

The two boys were shot through the head, but an autopsy is needed to determine where the bullet entered Mrs. Rohl's body, deputies said.

A 22 caliber revolver with five empty chambers in it was found near Mrs. Rohl's body in the front seat of the car, deputies said. The coroner's office estimated the trio had been dead for six to eight days.

The car covered with leaves from the recent storm, was found by a Gold Hill couple about 3:30 p.m. yesterday when they were placing flowers on a grave.

Mrs. Rohl and the two boys were reported missing by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George High, 905 East Park st., Grants Pass, Oct. 7, when Mrs. Rohl said she and the boys were going for a drive.

Both her husband and her parents said Mrs. Rohl had been despondent. She and her husband had separated.

Pope Receives Large Audience; Requests Prayers

Vatican City (UPI)—Pope John XXIII today received about 10,000 persons in a general audience in St. Peter's Basilica and asked them to pray for the success of the Ecumenical Council.

Those attending, the public audience filed past the empty tiers of seats erected on either side of the basilica to accommodate the more than 2,500 cardinals, patriarchs, archbishops, bishops and abbots attending the meeting.

The council itself was in adjournment while officials counted ballots handed in Tuesday by the church "fathers" for election of commission members.

These will be announced, or new elections held, during the general congregation set for Saturday.

Church experts said the first discussion item on the agenda of the council offers a good chance to show how much can be done towards the idea of Christian unity.

The 2,500-plus Roman Catholic group is to begin discussion Monday on a new constitution on sacred liturgy. The subject, the experts said, could play a major role in bringing Christians of different faiths together—or keeping them apart.

Liturgical reform concerns the forms of prayers, acts and ceremonies used in public worship, particularly the Mass.

Part of Pope John XXIII's expressed reason for calling the council, the first in almost a century, is to bring the church into step with modern times.

Both Dr. Mayfield and Becken stressed that if parents of pupils in the classroom are concerned about their child, the pupil can be moved to one of the other classes.

The board authorized a letter to the Jackson county rural school board expressing its objection to the rural board scheduling a public hearing without consulting school boards involved in the issue.

The rural board called a public hearing Oct. 29 on a proposal to join the Phoenix and Medford school districts. Neither board apparently was consulted, and all but one member of the Medford board will be on an in-service observation trip on the east coast at that time.

The trip to observe and study teaching methods and techniques in the eastern schools is part of Medford's participation in the Oregon Program, a \$3.5 million Ford Foundation financed project to improve teaching methods and teaching itself.

Becken reviewed plans for the trip of school personnel and board members to Lexington, Mass., and Norwalk, Conn., to study teaching methods. He pointed out that the district is under no obligation to adopt any one of the methods or programs observed.

STORM TOLL NOW 17

Portland (UPI)—The accidental death toll from last Friday's windstorm in Oregon rose to 17 today with two more deaths reported.

Power, Telephone Service Continues To Be Disrupted

More Than 70,000 Claims on File

Portland (UPI)—Many homes and businesses in Western Oregon were still without power and telephone service today, five days after the worst windstorm in the region's history.

Power and telephone company repairmen were doing their best, but a complete return to normal is not expected before next week.

President Kennedy Tuesday declared Oregon a "major disaster" area and authorized an immediate \$1 million in federal funds. "If it is determined that additional funds are needed I shall take action to provide such funds," the President said.

This money goes to repair state facilities damaged by the storm.

The Oregon Association of Independent Insurance Agents reported that property owners had filed more than 70,000 claims totaling \$20 million by Monday night.

Damage in the Portland-Vancouver area alone resulted in 41,020 claims exceeding \$9 million.

About 90 per cent of the claims involved dwellings and the rest were industrial or mercantile. Figures did not include insured cars, airplanes or boats.

The number and amount of claims outside Portland included:

Albany-Corvallis, 8,000, \$2 million; Salem and vicinity, 7,000, \$2,300,000; Coos Bay-North Bend, 6,500, \$1,750,000; Eugene-Springfield, 6,250, \$2,275,000; Gold Beach-Port Orford, 1,550, \$1,500,000; Bandon, 1,525, \$875,000; Astoria-Tillamook, 350, \$200,000; Medford-Grants Pass, 300, \$50,000; Roseburg, 300, \$50,000.

West Coast Telephone Co. reported it had restored 13,000 of the 25,000 telephones knocked out of service. A spokesman said the Coos Bay division suffered the heaviest damage with 4,930 of the division's 22,240 telephones still out Tuesday afternoon. Only 30 telephones remained out in the La Grande division.

Gov. Mark Hatfield's office estimated damage at \$1.1 million to aircraft with 251 planes destroyed or damaged.

The Agriculture Department designated 19 Oregon counties as areas where the Farmers' Home Administration may make emergency loans through Dec. 31, 1963.

The counties are Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington and Yamhill.

The big cleanup job continued here. Trees and limbs were being burned in the South Auditorium renewal area.

WAREHOUSE BURNS
Grandview, Wash. (UPI)—A warehouse containing 75,000 boxes of apples and winter pears belonging to the Yakima Fruit Growers association was destroyed by fire last night. Loss was estimated at \$375,000.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Fair through Thursday. A few patches of valley fog and frost at exposed locations early Thursday morning. Warmer daytime temperatures. Low tonight 29-34. High Thursday 33-38.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 5:12 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:23 a.m.
Moonrise tonight 9:51 p.m.
Last Quarter—Oct. 29
The planet, Mercury, is and is now on that part of its orbit nearest to the Sun. Mercury's distance from the Earth tonight is about 28 million miles.

Jackson St. Will Be Closed This Week

Jackson st., between Riverside ave. and Biddle rd. will be closed part of Thursday and Friday and all day Sunday, Peter Kiewit Sons' Construction company officials announced today.

The closure is to protect vehicles from the paint which will be sprayed on the beams on the freeway structure over Jackson st.

Hours for Thursday and Friday when the street will be closed are from 1 to 4 p.m. and 5:30 to 7 p.m. The opening during the late afternoon will accommodate peak traffic in the area. City officials encouraged motorists not to use Jackson st. on these days to avoid congestion in the area.

Tax Revision Bill Signed

Washington (UPI)—President Kennedy signed into law Tuesday the tax revision bill left on his desk by the session of Congress that adjourned last Saturday.

In signing the tax measure, Kennedy praised the \$1 billion tax credit for business. He hailed it as an "important bill, one possessing many desirable features which will stimulate the economy and provide a greater measure of fairness in our tax system."

The bill, a trimmed-down version of the administration's original proposal, also tight-



WHITE HOUSE MEETING—President Kennedy is shown as he conferred with West German Foreign Minister Gerhard Schröder, left, at the White House. The two con-

Storm Will Have Effect on State's Financial Picture

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The statement is required by law 20 days before the general election.

The statement shows the exact figures reported some weeks ago by State Finance Director Freeman Holmer—that the state will wind up the biennium in June, 1962 with a thin balance of \$590,427.

At that time, the state's income is estimated at \$360,869,446, and expenditures at \$360,279,019.

Additional Expenditures
Hatfield said storm losses to state property not covered by the state restoration fund "will require additional, unanticipated expenditures."

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Investigating officers said Reynolds possibly died of a heart attack. The flatbed truck he was driving, owned by Highecroft Orchards, Talent, went through a stop sign on First st. in Phoenix, crossed Highway 99 and went into Bear Creek.

Reynolds had a history of heart trouble and evidence indicates possible heart attack, state police said.

Phoenix police, Jackson county sheriff's officers and state police investigated the accident.

Boy Injured in Bike-Car Accident

Patrick Alan Jacobson, 12, of 907 West 11th st., was treated at Sacred Heart hospital this morning for a head cut and later released. He was injured when his bicycle collided with an automobile at West Fourth st. and Oakdale ave.

The boy told Medford police that Bruce Wayne Bailey, 815 West Main st., was riding on the handlebars of his bicycle at the time of the accident.

Driver of the westbound car was Mildred Amanda Ray, 38, of 710 Pennsylvania ave. Young Jacobson told police he was eastbound on Fourth st. and as he approached the intersection looked left, right and rear, then saw the car in front of him. The bicycle hit the left front fender of the Ray vehicle, officers said.

No citations were issued.

JFK-Khrushchev Meeting Possibly Could Ease Tension

Washington (UPI)—West German Foreign Minister Gerhard Schröder said today that a meeting between President Kennedy and Nikita Khrushchev could be helpful if the Soviet leader is in the right mood.

Schröder made the comment as he left a 90-minute conference with Kennedy which apparently was exclusively devoted to the Berlin crisis.

He said that "I would not like to give an opinion as to whether a special meeting of the two leaders on Berlin at this time would be useful—whether it would be helpful depends on the mood in which Khrushchev comes here."

"Certainly talking is better than fighting," the foreign minister added.

No announcement has been made that Khrushchev will, in fact, come to the United States this fall. But there has been speculation he would attend sessions of the UN General Assembly in New York. Kennedy has expressed a willingness to meet him if this happens.

Schröder met the President today as the high point

of a five-day visit here about the Berlin situation. It is in preparation for the Nov. 7 visit of German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

Officials said the meeting gave Kennedy an opportunity to get the latest West German assessment in preparation for his conference late Thursday with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko which is expected to focus on the Berlin problem.

It also gave the President a channel for conveying his own views on the possible course of events to Adenauer. Schröder has made it clear in discussions here with Secretary of State Dean Rusk and other high officials that his government does not necessarily share the Kennedy administration's view that Khrushchev is preparing to whip up a new Berlin crisis as soon as the U.S. elections are over.

Reports on Meeting
While still predicting new Soviet military, economic or diplomatic pressure on Berlin in late November or December, U.S. officials acknowledge they found no such threat in Ambassador Foy D. Kohler's report from Moscow on his three-hour meeting Tuesday with Khrushchev.

Khrushchev was said to have ranged across a wide variety of East-West problems, but without devoting undue emphasis to Berlin or any other single issue and without repeating his demands for "liquidation" of the Allied position on the city.

The Soviet leader was understood to have spoken at some length of his efforts to develop Russian economy. All in all, officials said, it was not a tough confrontation at all.

Jeannace Freeman Rereading Refused

Salem (UPI)—The Oregon Supreme Court, without a written opinion, today rejected a petition for a rehearing in the first degree murder conviction and death penalty handed to Jeannace June Freeman, 21, who threw a car into a Central Oregon gorge last year.

This left standing the high court's decision which affirmed her sentence.

The court's mandate will now go to Jefferson County Circuit Court where an execution date will be set.

The only avenue open to Miss Freeman now is an appeal for clemency to Gov. Mark Hatfield.

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Unauthorized Sale of Surplus Goods Disclosed

Thornton Demands Inventory Release

Salem (UPI)—Gov. Mark Hatfield today released the state's audit of missing property at Camp Withycombe in Clackamas county showing the unauthorized sale of 56,488 worth of surplus goods from the Tongue Point Naval Station, Astoria.

The action came almost simultaneously with a demand from Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton for release of the inventory.

The audit indicated that \$3,576 in furnishings were sold to junk dealers and others. Another \$2,712 was derived from sale of logs at Tongue Point.

In addition, the audit report said, \$398 was derived from a "falsified claim" drawn on state funds, and another \$168 was derived from a refund of money originally paid from federal funds.

Douglas F. DeCew, supervisor of state audits, said all of this money, totaling \$7,054, was put into an "unauthorized cash fund" set up on orders from the late Oregon adjutant general, Alfred E. Hintz.

DeCew said the former commanding officer of Camp Withycombe, Lt. Col. James J. Anderson, told authorities he set up the fund on instructions from Hintz.

Anderson "further stated that \$4,000 of the moneys of the unauthorized cash fund were turned over in cash by him personally to Gen. Hintz," DeCew said.

DeCew said all but \$4,472 of the fund has been accounted for. He added that disposition of the \$4,472 "has not been definitely established."

DeCew noted a military audit is still under way.

Thornton complained that "legal steps should have been taken long before this time to recover this property or its fair market value from the responsible parties."

"It further appears," Thornton said, "that some or all of this loss may be covered by official bond."

Johnson To Arrive Friday Evening

Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson will arrive in Medford Friday, Oct. 19, at 6 p.m., and immediately leave for the Rogue Valley Country club where he will be honored at a dinner sponsored by local Democratic organizations.

The vice president's schedule was announced today by Jackson County Democratic Party Chairman Jean Mills. Chairman of the dinner is Tom Reeder.

Also attending the dinner will be Sen. Wayne Morse, who with Mrs. Morse, will drive to Medford from Grants Pass where the senator will speak at the dedication of a Grants Pass plywood mill at 3 p.m. They plan to arrive in Medford in time to greet Johnson at the airport. Also present will be Ed Spencer, state Democratic chairman and other officials.

Vice President Johnson and Senator Morse will address a public rally at Hedrick Junior High school at 8 p.m. They will be introduced by Oregon Speaker of the House Robert B. Duncan. Democratic party officials and state and local candidates will be introduced.

Tickets for the dinner are available at the Democratic headquarters, 414 East Main st., Puruckers' Music House, Medford Stationery Store and the Lusk Piano company.

DAY OF PRAYER
Salem (UPI)—Sunday has been designated by Gov. Mark Hatfield as a day of "prayer, redemption, and as a tribute to those who lost their lives as a result of the storm."

Tropical Storm Turns To Northerly Direction

Miami, Fla. (UPI)—Tropical storm Ella, skirting the Florida coast, turned to a more northerly direction today but still kept the South Atlantic Seaboard within range of its 70-mile-an-hour winds.

The Weather Bureau said the storm showed signs of zig-zagging and warned coastal residents from Cape Canaveral, Fla., north to Cape Hatteras, N.C., to keep in touch with advisories.

The direction change brought an all-clear report for

the east Florida coast south of Cape Canaveral.

The storm center at 11 a.m. (PST) was located about 300 miles east of Cape Canaveral.

The Florida east coast was receiving heavy showers and gusty winds from the extreme outer edge of the storm.

Garden City, Charleston and Georgetown, S.C., also were receiving gusty winds and rough seas, the Weather Bureau said. Tides were high from Daytona Beach, Fla., to Cape Hatteras, N.C.