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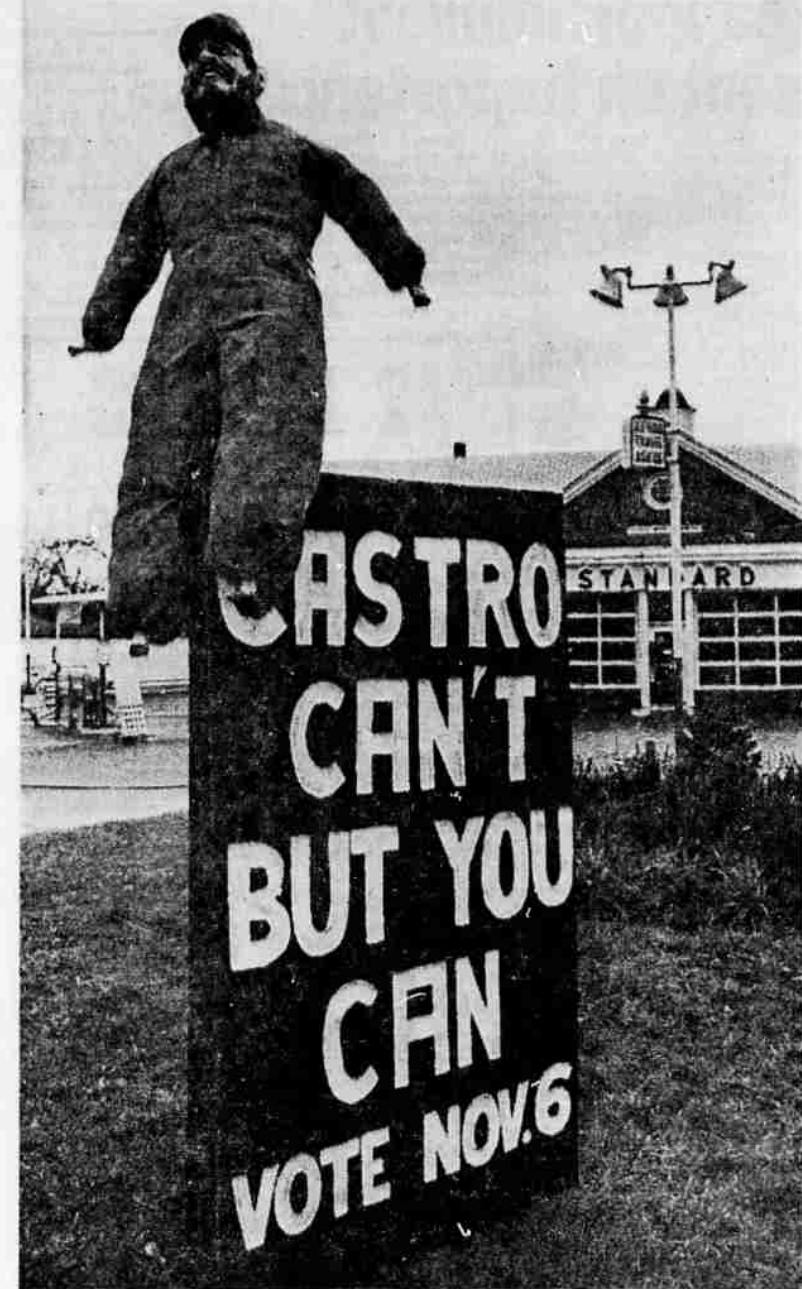
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URGED TO VOTE—This sign, urging voters to cast their ballots in the Nov. 6 election, was displayed in Birmingham, Mich., com-

Manipulation of News During Cuban Crisis Denied by Defense

Washington—(AP)—The Defense Department's top information official denied today there was any distortion, deception or manipulation of the news during the Cuban crisis.

Assistant Defense Secretary Arthur Sylvester made the denial in response to a recent protest by Lee Hills, president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors and executive editor of the Miami Herald and other Knight Newspapers.

At the same time, a leading congressional critic of government secrecy condemned new information policies imposed by the Defense Department as "extremely disturbing developments" and promised a congressional study.

The statement by Rep. John E. Moss (D-Calif.), chairman of a special House subcommittee on government information, came as the administration appeared to be broadening efforts to keep track of contacts between federal officials and newsmen.

Sylvester told Hills that as a former newspaperman with 35 years experience he was "sensitive" to the public's right to know about the government.

Aware of Peril

"But as a public official," he said, "I am also aware that in a time of extreme national peril there are other considerations in addition to the news business."

Sylvester commented: "Contrary to some of the editorials and columnists I have read, there has been no distortion, no deception and no manipulation of the news released by the Defense Department during the Cuban crisis."

"We have, of course, protected national security and the lives of military personnel directly involved in the current crisis. This is our primary concern in releasing the news."

Moss centered his criticism on new rules for officials who talk with newsmen.

The State Department disclosed that officials have been instructed to report to the department's Public Affairs Bureau each interview with a newsmen, giving the name, organization, date and subject matter.

A similar Defense Department regulation earlier this week was issued by Sylvester.

Despite the Cuban situation, Moss said, "The American people have a vital need to know the steps being taken to protect their lives and property in this time of crisis."

He took sharp issue with Sylvester's assertion that news should be used by the government as a "weapon" in a crisis. Moss termed this an "implication of news manipulation."

There was no agreement, even among government officials, whether the objective of the new State and Defense Department rules was to "control" or suppress information or merely "co-ordinate" its release.

Missing Man, 78, Found Unconscious

Corvallis—(AP)—A 78-year-old man lost since Tuesday afternoon in the brush-covered bottom land of the Willamette river south of here was found unconscious but alive today.

He was rushed to the Good Samaritan hospital here for treatment.

Daniel L. Farmer, a retired logger, was found "draped over a log," a quarter of a mile from where he was last seen by his wife, the sheriff's office said. He had wandered from his car in a dazed condition while his wife went for water to help him take pills for a heart ailment.

Bloodhounds brought from Portland found the man about an hour after beginning the search today. Earlier the dogs had failed to find him, and skindivers had probed a slough without success.

Diarrhea Outbreak Near Culver Studied

Portland—(AP)—A State Board of Health team was at a farm labor camp near Culver in Central Oregon today looking into an outbreak of a diarrheal disease there.

A spokesman said several persons, mostly children, had been stricken and that he understood four children had been hospitalized. He said laboratory specimens were being taken in attempts to get a definite diagnosis of the disease.

The outbreak was first reported Tuesday, the spokesman said.

Nixon Depicted As Opportunist

Washington—(AP)—Former Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson today depicted Richard M. Nixon as a political opportunist who "feels... does not inspire sufficient confidence among the people."

Benson's criticisms of the former vice president were contained in a book, "Cross Fire: The Eight Years With Eisenhower." An account of his often stormy tenure in the Agriculture Department, Benson's book details his conflict with Nixon in the months leading up to the 1960 presidential elections.

The book went on sale just five days before the 1962 elections when Nixon will try to unseat Democrat Edmund G. Brown for the California governorship.

Salem—(AP)—State Sen. Anthony Yturri (R-Ore.) said today he is a candidate for reelection as minority leader of the Oregon Senate.

St. Helens Man Slays Three, Takes Own Life

Mother, Father Brother Found Dead

St. Helens, Ore.—(AP)—A railroad bridge tender shot and killed three members of his family near Warren today and then committed suicide, police reported.

State police said Albert Edward Mills, 25, killed himself after telephoning police to say he had just shot his father, mother and brother. Two dogs and a cat also were killed.

Mills gave no motive during the brief telephone talk and no note was found.

Dead were his father, William Mills, 75, his mother, Alberta, 70, and a brother, John, 33. The shootings occurred about 5:30 a.m. at the Mills' rural home.

State Police Sgt. Harold Krieger said he received a call from Mills at 5:20 a.m. reporting he had just shot his parents and brother.

Krieger said he tried in vain to talk Mills out of killing himself.

"I'm going to hang up and shoot myself," Mills replied.

When Krieger reached the Mills home, he found Mills shot to death on the living room floor. His mother also was on the living room floor. The father and brother were upstairs in their beds.

Mills was listed as a bridge tender for the SP & S railroad at Linnton.

Police were seeking relatives of the family. They said relatives might live in the vicinity of Portland, The Dalles or Pasco, Wash.

Cuba Action Based On Advice Russians Would Back Down

Washington—(AP)—President Kennedy's actions in Cuba were based on a considered judgment that overall U.S. nuclear superiority over Russia would make the Kremlin back down.

This opinion was strongly urged by the President's top intelligence and military commands during the mounting hours of crisis.

It is one of several points being made in interviews administration officials now have time to give newsmen about the recent turmoil of events.

These other points also are being stressed:

After the first "hard" evidence of Soviet offensive weapons in Cuba Oct. 15, administration thinking focused very quickly on the strategy of blockade and military build-up rather than on bombing or invasion.

Bombing Undecided

On Oct. 27, the day before Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev agreed to remove his missiles from Cuba, no bombing or invasion had been decided upon. The next steps would have been progressive tightening of the blockade to include defensive weapons, strategic items such as oil, and finally a total blockade.

However, had the situation gone on unchanged, and especially if there had been signs of a hostile Soviet response, it was assumed the final decision on bombing or invasion might have been faced within "several days."

High altitude reconnaissance flights over Cuba had been flown on a regular basis since they were first ordered by the Eisenhower administration. At no time were they completely suspended during the Cuban build-up.

But bad weather and fear that the Soviets could shoot down high-flying U-2s may have delayed discovery of the missiles in Cuba for a few days—at most a very few weeks. They were still discovered at a very early stage of construction.

Man Hospitalized After Motorcycle Accident Today

Robert Hammond, 37, of 1096 B st., Ashland, was injured when thrown from his motorcycle this morning, Oregon state police report.

He was reported in fair condition at Ashland Community hospital where he was taken by Medford Ambulance service. Extent of his injuries was not known this morning. He was to be transferred to Rogue Valley hospital later today.

Hammond was attempting to make a left turn into Farmer's cafe in Talent when his motorcycle and a car driven by Roscoe Marcellus Hodson, 35, of 486 South Pacific highway, Phoenix, collided, police said.

The motorcycle slid into a ditch and struck a post, state police said.

About 2:30 o'clock this morning a one car accident occurred at the intersection of Taylor and Old Stage rds. A car, driven by Thomas Michael Bryan, 23, of 4140 Cedar lane, Medford, was southbound on the Old Stage rd. when it skidded in loose gravel and went in a ditch by Taylor rd. The vehicle was damaged, but the driver escaped injury, police said.

Ronald Wilmer Weidman, 37, of Eagle Point, was slightly injured last night when the right rear trailer wheels of his logging truck went into a ditch on the Crater Lake highway just north of Casey State park, state police said.

The trailer lost its load of logs and the truck cab was demolished, state police said.

Personnel from the Steve Wilson Lumber company removed the truck and trailer and logs and took the driver to a local physician, police reports show.

Columbia Gorge Winds To Diminish

By United Press International

Whistling east winds through the Columbia River gorge, which reminded residents of the Oct. 12 windstorm, were expected to die down tonight.

However, the gusty winds were not nearly so severe as the Columbus day storm and caused no reported damage. They reached gusts of more than 35 miles per hour.

Warm weather dominated western Oregon with overcast skies in the northeast part of the state. Temperatures were expected to be between 60 and 70 degrees in afternoon hours through Saturday except in foggy or low cloud areas.

The weather man said a weak Pacific front moving slowly toward the coast would be offshore late Saturday and may bring in some high level clouds Saturday night, but otherwise would have little effect on the weather in Oregon.

Hotel Carpeting Is Damaged by Pranksters

Ashland—Several hundred dollars worth of damage to carpeting and plaster resulted when someone turned on a fire hose in the third floor hallway of the Mark Anthony hotel early yesterday.

The water was discovered at 4:30 a.m. by a hotel night clerk, who became suspicious when he could see water on the plastered ceiling above the office.

Police, theorizing that it may have been a Halloween prank, are investigating.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Fair with variable high cloudiness through Saturday, except for late night and early morning valley fog. Low tonight 36. High Saturday near 70.

Highest Yesterday 49
Lowest Yesterday 34

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 3:04 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:47 a.m.
Moonset tonight 9:04 p.m.
Moon rises low Nov. 4

First Quarter PROBABLE STAR CAPSULE, low in north-east 7:22 p.m.

VISIBLE PLANETS

Jupiter, due south 7:04 p.m.
Saturn, low in south-west 9:41 p.m.
Mars, in the east 1:21 a.m.

Compromise Plan By Soviet Union Also Turned Down

Cuba Won't Yield To Power Position

Havana—(AP)—Premier Fidel Castro rejected any form of outside inspection to verify the removal of Soviet missile bases from Cuba Thursday night.

He said the demand for international inspection "was made by the United States from a position of force and we do not yield to that demand we will never yield before a position of force."

In the one-hour 22 minute speech Castro told a nationwide radio-television audience he had rejected not only United Nations inspection but also a compromise proposal by the Soviet Union for inspection by the International Red Cross.

The refusals were contained in a transcript Castro read of his first meeting with Acting United Nations Secretary General Thant in Havana Monday.

In Washington, some United States officials said privately they saw room for eventual arrangement of an inspection plan for removal of Soviet missiles from Cuba. They said Castro's emphasis that United States demands were based on "force" appeared to be an out for later acceptance of some sort of neutral inspection without force.

No Obstacles

Although Castro's rejection of a Russian proposal appeared to reveal evidence of a split in the Cuban-Soviet alliance, he said Cuba is "not placing any obstacles" to the dismantling of the Soviet missile bases.

He admitted "misunderstandings" with the Soviet Union but praised Russia's role in building up Cuban defenses and said "differences" between the two countries would be settled in private by both governments acting as equals.

Khrushchev had just sent two contradictory letters to the President, a private one (still unpublished) looking toward a settlement, and a public one offering an unacceptable trade for U.S. missiles in Turkey.

"In this eyeball to eyeball confrontation," Rusk told the group, "the Russians have blinked at us." Some remember the word as "winked."

Cuba Announces Naval Exercises

Miami, Fla.—(AP)—Cuba announced new naval exercises off the north coast of Pinar del Rio Province today raising speculation the zone may be designated for the export of Russia's missiles.

Havana Radio said the exercises would be held off the area between Cabanas, Mariel and the Banes River, a 10-mile strip of coast only a handful of miles west of Havana.

The Russian missile base materials in Pinar del Rio Province were brought into Cuba secretly through Cabanas and Mariel, former Cuban navy bases. The United States has identified Candelaria, in Pinar del Rio, as site of one of the Russian missile bases aimed at the United States.

Candelaria is south of Cabanas, about 18 miles away. The missile base is 10 miles from the south coast.

Reynolds May Idle Troutdale Employees

Troutdale, Ore.—(AP)—The Reynolds Metals Co. said today that if market conditions don't improve in the aluminum industry in the next 30 days more than 300 of its employees at Troutdale will be laid off Dec. 1.

Washington—(AP)—The National Committee for an Effective Congress announced Thursday it has endorsed Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) for reelection.

Roseburg College Petition Accepted

Astoria—(AP)—The State Board of Education, meeting in Clatsop County for the first time, today accepted a petition for establishment of an educational district in Douglas County to operate a community college there.

The board set a public hearing on the proposal for Nov. 26 at 8 p.m. in the Douglas County courthouse in Roseburg. After this hearing, if no serious objections are filed, the board will set a date for an election to form the district.

Harry Jacoby, assistant superintendent of Roseburg schools, and Wayne Crooch, former Roseburg school board member, appeared in support of the petition.

The board also approved long-range plans for operation of community colleges in Coos Bay and Bend. These 10-year plans are required in support of applications for state funds for developing the colleges.

Wanted Man Lodged For Douglas County

Tony Milton Rayburn, transient, Medford, last night was lodged in the Jackson county jail on a warrant from the Douglas county circuit court charging him with probation violation.

Sheriff's officers who arrested him said he would be returned to Douglas county later today.

Yesterday afternoon, Edgar Allen Post, 39, Klamath Falls, was returned to Jackson county and lodged in the county jail on charges of petty larceny. He was arrested in Klamath Falls on district court warrant charging him with taking a circular saw blade and electric drill.



DIES—Mrs. Florence Carpenter, 62, above, mother of astronaut Scott Carpenter, died today in a Boulder, Colo., hospital. She had been in ailing health for many years. (UPI)

Fifty Per Cent Increase Noted in Absentee Ballots

To date, the Jackson county elections department has received 902 absentee ballots, County Clerk Marvin Madden said today.

He noted this is far more than the 600 absentee voters during the primary election last spring. He credited the wide publicity given on absentee voting as the chief cause for the increase.

Wednesday, Oct. 31, was the last day for making application for absentee voter ballots, except in emergency cases.

Persons finding themselves unable to vote at the polls during Tuesday's general election may ask the county clerk's office about emergency procedures, Madden said.

The instruction classes for persons serving on day and counting boards was "very successful" judging by the questions asked, general response and telephone calls later, Madden said. He estimated approximately 300 people attended the sessions held in the county courthouse auditorium, but did not know how many attended classes held in outlying districts.

A complete list of polling places in Jackson county will be printed in the Sunday Mail Tribune.

Hatfield To Offer Compensation Plan

Salem—(AP)—Gov. Mark Hatfield indicated today he will propose a compromise bill in the 1963 legislature designed to end the bitter struggle over who can write workmen's compensation insurance.

He said his plan "will involve the private carrier, and broaden the coverage that now exists." Details will be announced later.

One of the hottest fights in the 1961 legislature was over the "three-way" workmen's compensation bill. Sponsored by private carriers, it would have opened up the writing of such insurance by private insurance firms. They complain the State Industrial Accident commission now has a monopoly on this.

The three ways to insure were through the state, private carriers, and self-insurance by employers.

The bill failed, as did the "two-way" bill Hatfield backed in 1961. The two ways in his bill were state insurance, and self insurance.

CAROLINE TO STAY

New York—(AP)—The family of President Kennedy has declined against selling the Caroline, its private plane.

New Farm Federation President Selected

Salem—(AP)—Harold Beach, Hermiston, has succeeded the late Wiley Clowers, Madras, as president of the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation, the bureau's office here said today.

St. Louis, Mo.—(AP)—Mary DeMartini of Portland was elected president of the National Association of Bank Women at the group's 40th annual convention here Thursday.

Aerial Photos Show Russians Going Ahead

Inspection Remains Part of Agreement

Washington—(AP)—The Defense Department said today it has "clear evidence" from aerial photographs that the Russians are dismantling their missile bases in Cuba.

The U.S. position also remained that there must be some form of international inspection to verify the removal of offensive weapons from Cuban soil despite Premier Fidel Castro's objections.

State Department spokesmen said this kind of verification remains an "essential" of the U.S.-Soviet agreement to withdraw the weapons.

He said that "negotiations are well underway between the U.S., U.S.S.R. and the UN to put into effect the commitments that we and the U.S.S.R. have agreed to."

Thursday night Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan conferred at the United Nations with UN Acting Secretary General Thant and then dined with U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson and John J. McCloy, chief of President Kennedy's co-ordinating committee to negotiate an end to the Cuban crisis.

Confers With Castro

Mikoyan flew today to Havana to confer with Castro.

White, in saying that negotiations were "well underway" to carry out the agreement, said that "All of the essentials of these commitments are on the public record." Asked whether one of these was international inspection, he replied, "yes."

The Russians were reported to be seeking some alternative to UN observers—such as the International Red Cross or the diplomatic corps in Havana—to confirm withdrawal of the weapons and bases.

In his statement, White also emphasized that the United States wants Soviet IL-28 bombers, capable of carrying nuclear weapons, removed from Cuba along with the missiles.

It has always been understood," he said, "that what is referred to is 'offensive weapons,' whether they be bombers or missiles."

Survey Checks Tree Damage In Medford

The results of a survey of damage to trees in Medford caused by the Columbus Day storm was reported to the Medford city council last night by City Manager Robert Duff.

Duff described the results as "a little startling."

He told the council that on the basis of a preliminary survey some 253 trees on city property have been classified as "dangerous," and that about 313 others are regarded as "questionable."

The survey was conducted by a city employee and a state forester last week.

About 42 trees on private property have been found to be dangerous and 64 others in a questionable condition.

Duff told the council last night that the administration intended to conduct a further report, and that it "offered no solution to the problem at this time."



MARS SHOT MAPPED—This map shows the route "Mars-I," unmanned interplanetary station, that was launched by Russia Thursday, could follow in its seven-month, 48 million mile journey to Mars. The 1,965-pound vehicle was launched by improved booster rockets, Tass reported. The dotted line in the chart shows how Mars-I will cross over from the earth's orbit, swinging out to intercept Mars, at the top of the map. The story is on Page 2A. (UPI)

NEWS BRIEFS

DAVE BECK WINS ACQUITTAL

New York—(AP)—Dave Beck, 68, former president of the huge Teamsters Union, won acquittal Thursday night of federal charges that he violated the Taft-Hartley Act by taking a \$200,000 loan from trucking industry executives.

RUSSIA EXPELS GREEK DIPLOMAT

Moscow—(AP)—The Soviet Union has ordered Greek diplomat George Venetianos to leave the country, it was learned today.

PAULING, WARBURG RECEIVE AWARDS

New York—(AP)—Dr. Linus C. Pauling, a Nobel Prize-winning scientist, and author James P. Warburg Thursday night received 1962 Gandhi Peace Awards as "two of America's foremost leaders in the cause of promoting world peace."