

Cuban Crisis Said To Be 'Still Smouldering'

Stumbo and Chase Change Pleas In Circuit Court

Charges are Setting Fire To Forest Land

Two men charged with setting fire to forest land July 16 near Rogue River pleaded guilty this morning in Jackson county circuit court to being involved in the setting of the fires.

Circuit Judge James M. Main ordered pre-sentence investigations for Walter Chase, 41, of route 2, box 66B, Central Point, and Harry Warren Stumbo, 34, of Wolf Creek. The two cases were continued for sentencing and the bail was continued at \$3,500 each.

Both men told the judge they were fully aware that the fires were set by their companion at the time, Leo V. Thompson, but did nothing to stop him. They said they had no knowledge of Thompson's actions at the time he was setting the fires, but did realize later in the day the fires were being set.

The two men admitted being guilty of the specific charges of "acting together to set forest fires."

The charges involve a series of fires which broke out in an area north and east of Grants Pass extending into Jackson county during a two-hour period on the afternoon of July 16.

Thompson, 39, of Salem, was sentenced to 22 months in the Oregon state penitentiary Oct. 18 after pleading guilty to the same grand jury indictment.

Suit Against City Enters Third Day

The circuit court jury trial in which the R. A. Heintz Construction company of Portland is suing the City of Medford continued into its third day this morning.

The company is seeking \$94,462.74 plus six per cent interest for money they claim is due them for a sanitary sewer they constructed in the Kenwood - Grandview and a north Laurelhurst area in 1959.

Testifying this morning was Ray Vaughn, assistant engineer for the City of Medford. He testified as to plans and records on the project.

Lawyers for the case expect the trial to last two weeks.

In the complaint, the construction company claims it furnished material, equipment and labor and fully completed the work as directed.

It further claims that the city interrupted the work by demanding and requiring material and substantial changes. Formerly reasonable costs would have been \$431,168 for the project. Present costs are now estimated at \$914,584.15 of which the city paid \$420,121.41. This leaves a balance of \$494,462.74 owed, according to the company.

More Power In Drug Control Aired

Salem - (UPI) - Legislation to give the State Board of Pharmacy more power in control of certain drugs was discussed Wednesday night at a meeting here.

The meeting was called by the Oregon Pharmaceutical Legislative Committee and was attended by several Portland officials including detective and legislator Bob Chapel, newly-elected Dist. Atty. George Van Hoomissen, and Dr. Thomas Meador, health department head.



ELEANOR ROOSEVELT
Last Rites To Be Saturday

Mrs. Roosevelt's Death Mourned by Leaders of World

New York - (UPI) - The nation and the world mourned Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, 78, today and President Kennedy and former President Harry S. Truman made plans to attend her funeral at Hyde Park, N.Y., Saturday.

The widow of the nation's 32nd president died at 3:15 p.m. (PST) Wednesday in her Manhattan apartment from complications resulting from a courageous two and one-half year fight against a tenacious form of anemia.

The White House announced that Kennedy will attend the funeral service at St. James Protestant Episcopal church in Hyde Park, long-time home of Mrs. Roosevelt and the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Truman and Mrs. Truman left Independence, Mo., this morning by train to be in New York in time for the rites.

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev sent condolences to the Roosevelt family in which he said Mrs. Roosevelt had remained loyal to her late husband's convictions that "good relations are necessary between the Soviet Union and United States of America."

Khrushchev praised the former first lady as an "outstanding American civic leader."

Interment will be in the rose garden at Hyde Park. The family said she would be buried next to her husband "in accordance with their joint wishes." Roosevelt died April 12, 1945.

Mrs. Roosevelt's daughter, Mrs. Anna Halestead of Birmingham, Mich., and two sons, John and Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., were at her bedside when she died. Doctors had been summoned earlier because of indications of heart failure.

Mrs. Roosevelt was hospitalized last Sept. 26 for treatment of a persistent lung infection and anemia. Four weeks later, on Oct. 18, her doctors allowed her to leave Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center here for treatment at home.

Physicians said Wednesday night they knew then Mrs. Roosevelt was dying and wanted to make her last days as comfortable as possible.

Mrs. Roosevelt's other two living sons, Elliott and James, flew to New York upon learning of their mother's death. Elliott arrived from Miami and James from California, where he had been reelected to Congress.

In their statement, the family said it was discovered two and one-half years ago that Mrs. Roosevelt "was suffering from a complicated type of anemia."

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Jackson Continues To Hold House Key

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Victim of Oct. 12 Windstorm Returns Home Naked But Alive

Albany, Ore. - (UPI) - A hen with a homing instinct has turned out to be a hurricane heroine.

The hen belongs to Mrs. Hazel Conway of Turner, formerly a resident and businesswoman of Sweet Home.

On the dramatic day of the Oct. 12 big wind, the red hen stayed out in the yard when the storm struck instead of going into the henhouse with the other chickens. The cyclonic gusts not only lifted her high in the air, they ripped her feathers off as she sailed screaming out of sight. Mrs. Conway had no idea where she came to earth and considered her a casualty of the storm.

Nine days later the hen came walking home, naked as the day she pecked her way out of the egg, skinny and poor, but alive.

First 1964 Candidate Reveals Intentions

Portland - (UPI) - The ballots from Tuesday's general election were still being counted Wednesday when the first candidate for election in 1964 made his appearance.

Portland contractor Jim Bacaloff, a two-time loser in Republican primaries dating back to 1958, announced his candidacy for his party's nomination for U. S. Representative from the Third District.

That district took about five minutes after the polls closed to elect Democrat Edith Green to her fifth term Tuesday.

Bacaloff lost in the Republican gubernatorial primary in 1958 and in the U.S. Senate primary earlier this year.

Meanwhile, late returns trickling in from isolated precincts gave Republican Gov. Mark Hatfield a margin of 78,000 votes over Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton. Complete, unofficial returns from all the state's 3,244 precincts showed Hatfield with 340,889, Thornton with 262,981 and Independent Robert Wampler with 26,988.

Hatfield collected 290 votes more in his race than did Democratic Sen. Wayne Morse in his victory over Sig Unander, but his margin of victory was much wider.

Morse had a 54,000 - vote margin over Unander, 340,599 to 286,376.

The state's top vote-getter, however was Labor Commissioner Norman Nilsen, who snowed under a Republican challenger Alfred (Pat) Blair, 375,631 to 225,625.

Hatfield received a congratulatory telegram from former President Dwight D. Eisenhower Wednesday.

The wire said Hatfield's

Dumas Picking Up Majority of Absentee Votes

A. A. Dumas, Medford Republican candidate at noon was narrowing the margin between his votes and James A. Redden, for the third position in the race for the state legislature from Jackson county.

The absentee ballot counting board reported Dumas had narrowed the lead to 84 votes. This gives Redden a total count to date of 12,303 votes and Dumas 12,221.

The elections department reported 552 ballots counted. In the third spot was Alva N. Bradford, Medford Democrat, with 12,006 votes. All totals are unofficial.

As of Wednesday morning Redden had a 337 vote margin over Bradford's 11,574. Dumas had 11,516. Dumas was 395 votes behind Redden.

Mrs. Clarice Anderson, chief deputy for the Jackson county elections department, reported 947 absentee ballots of the 1,004 out were returned in time, 18 of the 947 were disqualified. Being counted are 929 ballots.

Man Wanted In Jailbreak Gives Up

Bend - (UPI) - A 21-year-old man wanted in connection with a jail break here last Friday walked into the Deschutes county sheriff's office and surrendered to Sheriff Forrest C. Sholes Wednesday.

Gary Childress was charged with burglary, but Sholes said he admitted he was the gunman who forced jailer Lucien McLaughlin and his wife to unlock a cellblock and free two prisoners Friday.

Sholes quoted Childress as saying, "I couldn't let a buddy down."

The sheriff said Childress' "buddy" was Patrick Ogle, being held for Montana authorities on a parole violation charge. David Kaus, being held for robbery, also escaped but five other prisoners remained behind. Ogle and Kaus are still at large. A car stolen in Bend was found a day later near Burns.

Sholes said he had been seeking Childress since Saturday. He got in touch with Mrs. Patrick Gregg of Bend, Childress' sister, and asked her to convince Childress he should surrender.

Thornton To Attend New York Meeting

Salem - (UPI) - Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton leaves Saturday for New York City to attend the two day annual meeting of the National Board of Directors of the American Social Health Association.

Thornton is a member of the national board.

Thornton returns home Monday.

INJURIES FATAL

Portland - (UPI) - An elderly Portland woman, Harriet C. Cron, 77, died Wednesday from injuries suffered in a three-car accident Sunday.



BILLIE SOL ESTES
Four More Indictments

Billie Sol Estes Guilty; Sentenced To 8-Year Term

Tyler, Tex. - (UPI) - Bankrupt Billie Sol Estes, 37, stared curiously at a jury, then sighed and sagged wearily in his chair when the 11 men and one woman pronounced him guilty of swindling and sentenced him to eight years in state prison.

After 17 days of legal turmoil, the jury needed only 127 minutes Wednesday night to reach a decision.

They began deliberations after a stern warning from Prosecutor R. B. McGowan.

"If you acquit Billie Sol Estes," McGowan said, "you are doing one more thing to turn our way of life over to the crooks and hucksters."

Defense attorney John D. Cofer said he would file a motion for a new trial. If refused, it will clear the way for an appeal to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Four Other Indictments

Estes still must answer to four more state and federal indictments.

Judge Otis T. Dungan allowed Estes to remain free in \$5,000 bond pending the court's action on the motion for a new trial. Estes will be formerly sentenced if Dungan rejects the motion.

Estes was convicted of swindling Pecos, Tex., farmer T. J. Wilson on a \$94,500 mortgage for 75 nonexistent fer-

Safety Manager of Motor Vehicles Named

Salem - (UPI) - The Oregon Motor Vehicles Department today announced the appointment of Howard Eddy, Denver, Colo., as manager of the traffic safety division.

Eddy, 34, has been assistant director of the Colorado Highway Safety Council.

In the past he has succeeded Edward J. Warmoth, promoted to manager of administrative services in the department.

TARIFF HIKE ASKED

Portland - (UPI) - The Oregon Wool Growers Association has called for tariff increases or import quotas on sheep being brought into the nation.

Revised Maps of Area Available

Salem - (UPI) - The Oregon Highway Department said today that revised street maps are available for seven more Oregon cities.

They are Central Point, Glendale, Hermiston, Jacksonville, Phoenix, Bend and Hammond.

Small maps cost 10 cents and larger ones 25 cents. They show post offices, schools, rail stations, city halls, court houses and libraries, as well as streets.

Shriveled Balloons, Unprecedented Speech Mark End Of Richard Nixon's Bid To Be Governor Of California

Los Angeles - (UPI) - Shriveled balloons, stale cigarettes and discarded campaign posters today marked the end of Richard M. Nixon's bid to lead the Republican party from the California governor's chair.

The former vice president was taking a "long holiday" from politics. He ended a career which led the Whittier, Calif., "poor boy" to within percentage points of being president of the United States.

Nixon made it clear that he was stepping down both as state and national leader of his party.

"I look for the Republican party to be revitalized in California under new leadership, not mine," he said. He predicted new national leadership would come from Repub-

Allies Brought Up To Date on All Developments

U.S. Still Wants Bombers To Leave

United Nations, N.Y. - (UPI) - The United States told its close allies today that the presence of nuclear warheads in Cuba, as well as Soviet bombers to deliver them, are a key factor now in the Caribbean crisis, which was described as still "smouldering."

U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson met with representatives of NATO, SEATO and CENTO countries, together with a few others such as Korea and China, to bring them up to date on crisis developments.

About 40 diplomats attended the private briefing at the U.S. Mission.

Still Critical

Informed sources said Stevenson and John J. McCloy, chief of President Kennedy's Cuban crisis diplomatic task force, who assisted the briefing, emphasized that the critical stage had not diminished.

"The impression was that the crisis still is smouldering," one said.

Although there was satisfaction with arrangements for a Red Cross check of inbound Cuban cargoes and U.S. Naval "contact" with Soviet ships leaving Cuba, the United States still sought assurance from Russia that Ilyushin 28 Beagle bombers capable of carrying nuclear bombs also would be taken out of the island.

Arrangements Made

The State Department disclosed that arrangements had been made with Russia for U.S. naval ships to "contact" Soviet ships and count the missiles they are carrying out of Cuba. The first such contact was expected today.

Representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross and the United Nations continued work here on arrangements for inspection of inbound cargoes to check against hidden Soviet offensive weapons.

It was not clear how either the inbound or outbound check would be carried out.

Seasonal Layoffs Increase Claims

Salem - (UPI) - Seasonal layoffs have increased claims for unemployment insurance in Oregon to 12,293, State Employment Commissioner David H. Cameron said today.

A month ago, there were 9,334 claims. The rate of insured unemployment went up from 2.3 per cent to 3.1 the past month.

Cameron noted, however, that both claims and the jobless rate are still lower than last year at this time. At this time in 1961 there were 15,392 claims and the jobless rate was 3.9 per cent.

Hillsboro and La Grande had the lowest rates of insured unemployment last week, both 2.1. Toledo had the highest rate, 7.4.

Other rates last week, compared to a month ago, included: Corvallis 2.3 per cent, up 7 of a per cent; Eugene 3.2, up 1.1; Klamath Falls 3.2, up .8; Medford 3.8, up 2.2; Pendleton and Milton-Freewater 3.4, up 1; Portland 2.4, up .2; and Salem 2.8, up 1.2.

As of Nov. 1 Oregon's unemployment insurance trust fund contained \$55.1 million versus \$46.5 million a year ago.

Offices To Close

Salem - (UPI) - Most offices that test for Oregon driver's licenses will be closed all next week. The license examiners will be here, attending an annual training conference.

NEWS BRIEFS

DISARMAMENT PROGRESS NEED SEEN

United Nations, N.Y. - (UPI) - Britain said today that mutual trust through a system of international verification is the most urgent need for progress in world disarmament.

ADAM CLAYTON POWELL SAID IN ARREARS

Washington - (UPI) - The government is trying to collect \$33,141.68 in back taxes and penalties from Rep. Adam Clayton Powell Jr., it was learned today.

BOMB REPORTED ON AIRLINER

Spokane - (UPI) - Three commercial airliners were searched Wednesday night after the United Air Lines office here received an anonymous telephone call stating: "There's a bomb on your Seattle flight." No bombs were revealed.