

Birthday Cake for Robert F. Kennedy Has Three Candles

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 Washington—On Robert F. Kennedy's 37th birthday a few weeks ago, aides took him a cake topped with three candles.

"Why three?" The attorney asked.

"Each is for a branch of the government you run," an assistant replied.

That story, now making the rounds in Washington, is, of course, a distortion. Robert Kennedy "runs" neither judicial, legislative nor executive arms of the government. But during the two years that his brother has been president, his influence has grown tremendously.

He is more than adviser to the president and administrator of the broad powers of the justice department. He carries out top-priority assignments for the White House, but has no relation to his job as attorney general.

Has Many Friends
 During a typical week recently, the No. 2 Kennedy in the government had these "outside" projects underway:

—He oversaw negotiations for the successful return of 1,113 Bay of Pigs invasion prisoners from Cuba.

—He flew to Brazil to tell the president of that country that the president of his country expected some semblance of political and economic stability as a prerequisite for U.S. aid.

—He brought the Amateur Athletic Union and the National Athletic Association together in an attempt to settle a fight that has threatened to wreck the 1964 U.S. Olympic team.

—He presided over the Hoffa Trial.

At the same time, he had several balls in the air within Justice department jurisdiction, including the trial of Teamsters Union President James R. Hoffa on a conspiracy charge against Mississippi Gov. Ross Barnett, and prosecution of the Communist Party in the United States for failure to register as an agent of Moscow.

In the midst of one of these busy periods, the attorney general's influence has been casual-

ly emerging from his office for a brother, clad in sweater and slacks, in need of a haircut and looking like a college student home for the week end.

Robert Kennedy first got involved with outside projects when the president appointed him to investigate the General Intelligence Agency following the April, 1961, Cuban invasion attempt. Then last year he became more deeply involved in international affairs after he and his wife, Ethel, made a world-wild trip around the globe.

Cuba and Berlin are his main interests and he has had a hand in all U.S. moves involving them.

People from around the world troop to his fifth-floor command post overlooking historic Constitution Avenue. The attorney general has a direct line to the White House and he frequently puts the president on the telephone to speak to the visiting de la s i e n through a loud speaker on his desk. It is almost like a visit to the White House.

His office has come to resemble a curio shop, containing such items as a stuffed tiger, a U.S. marshal's helmet

HEART MOTHER—Mrs. Lorraine Nicolci of Belmont, Mass., the world's first heart surgery patient, has been chosen as Heart Mother of the Year by the American Heart Association.

Attitudes of Press In Campaigns To Be Discussed at Event

Eugene—A panel of politicians and newspapermen will discuss the attitudes of the press in political campaigns at one of the featured sessions of the 44th annual Oregon Press Conference.

Appearing on the Feb. 15 afternoon panel will be Robert Y. Theobald, attorney general of Oregon and 1962 candidate for governor; Carl Fisher, manager of Eugene radio station KJZZ and 1962 candidate for Congress; Fourth District, Robert Chandler, publisher of the Bend Bulletin and 1962 candidate for Congress; Second District, Doug Seymour, political editor of the Salem Capital Journal; Charles A. Sprague, editor of the Salem Statesman and former governor of Oregon, will be moderator.

The Press Conference, sponsored jointly by the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association and the University of Oregon school of journalism, will be held at the University Feb. 15 and 16. Presiding will be Eric W. Allen, Jr., managing editor of the Medford Mail Tribune and 1962-63 conference chairman.

Outstanding speakers and topics of special interest have been billed for the two-day program. These include a dis-

cusson of "The New Constitution and the Press" by Hans A. Linde, associate professor in the university's law school who was a member of the Oregon Constitutional revision commission.

Clark R. Mollenhoff of the Washington Bureau of Cowles Publications, Wash. D.C., will give the 1963 Allen Memorial Address.

Speaker for the Friday banquet will be Keith Abbott, recently retired public relations director of the Northern Division of the Southern Pacific Company. He will talk of "Three Decades of Conventions."

George S. Turnbull, professor emeritus and former dean of the University's school of journalism, will speak on "Half a Century of Press-Journalism School Cooperation" at the Saturday luncheon.

Other speakers will include Mike Bradley, city editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times; Harry B. Beir, chief of the review staff of the Internal Review Service; "Swindler," Cliff McDowell, Pacific Division News Pictures Manager, United Press International; Sam Francisco; Ken Johnston; Galen R. Barick; and Dean John L. Holleng, all of the university school of journalism faculty.



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Grange News

Phoenix Grange
 During the recent meeting of Phoenix Grange Mr. and Mrs. Lon Martin and Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Martin were elected to become members. They were formerly of Fort Klammath Grange.

Most of the evening was devoted to social activities put on and planned by past lecturers. There were songs led by Vaughn Quackenbush with Mrs. George Hartley at the piano. Two skits on the program were one by Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hixson and the other by Mrs. Hartley.

Washington fisheries produce about five-tenths of the total supply of salmon for the United States.

Bus, Passengers Stranded in Ditch

Newport, Ore.—Mrs. A. Greyhound bus with four passengers was stranded for two hours some 10 miles north of Toledo Wednesday after sliding into a ditch.

The driver, A. K. Landers, Salem, said the bus lost traction on Highway 20 near Pioneer Mountain and began sliding backwards.

A tow truck from Newport pulled the bus from the ditch about two hours.

The U. S. was without a navy from 1783 to 1789.

Queen, Philip Leave for Fiji Islands

London—Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip fly to the tropical Fiji Islands today on their way to an eight-week tour of Australia and New Zealand.

The royal couple scheduled two brief stops, at Vancouver, B.C. and Honolulu on the 10,000-mile trip to Fiji, where they will spend two days.

They are leaving behind a crisis over the collapse of Britain's effort to enter the European Common Market and a new surge of winter snow, ice, freezing temperatures and a fuel shortage.

In Fiji, a royal banquet awaits Elizabeth and Prince Philip-pork, native fruits and vegetables and the Fiji royal drink, yangona.

The drink, reported to look and taste like dirty dishwater, is a must for all visitors to the islands. According to tradition, Queen Elizabeth cannot refuse to drink a half coconut shell of yangona.

From the Fijis, the Queen and her husband will board the royal yacht Britannia for the 1,500-mile trip to New Zealand. The yacht will be their headquarters during the tour. They plan to return to England in March by plane from Perth, Australia.

Dad's Week End Set At Oregon University

Eugene—Students at the University of Oregon are making plans for a week end of fun and instruction for their Dads and Dads-in-waiting.

The fun will include basketball games, a talent show, winners, luncheon, and theater. The instruction will be in the form of science shows, cultural tours, classroom, and laboratory displays, and demonstration tours of the Library.

New York state is second only to California in the total number of acres which are devoted to vineyards.

Oct. 12 Storm Said Worst in Nation's History in Article

Corvallis—The Columbus Day "Big Blow" that ripped Oregon and the Northwest stands as the worst wind storm in the nation's history in terms of forest and structural destruction, the latest issue of Weatherwise magazine reports in an article by three Oregonians.

Weatherwise is published for the American Meteorological Society. Authors of the Fred W. Decker, head of atmospheric science at the Oregon State University; Owen P. Cramer, Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment station; and Byron P. Hopper, Bonneville Power Administration.

Forests of the West Coast suffered their greatest disaster in the Oct. 12 storm with estimates of 5 billion board feet of timber in concentrated blowdowns and another 5 billion in intermingled windthrow and standing trees that will have to be removed, the report notes.

This approaches the annual log production of 12 billion board feet in Oregon and Washington together.

The value of the wind-blown timber alone amounts to \$200 million, but operators hope to salvage much of the loss, the article says. A tremendous threat exists, however, in possibilities of a bark beetle epidemic, authors warn.

Downed timber provides ideal egg-laying and feeding areas for the beetles that can multiply at a staggering rate.

No other wind storm has caused such tremendous damage to forests, it is noted. The famous New England Hurricane of 1938 blew down 2.65 billion board feet of timber; the Great Olympic Blowdown of 1923 caused timber losses estimated at 8 billion board feet; and the December 1951 Northwest storm downed 9 billion board feet.

Winds were of record-breaking proportion also in the Oct. 12 storm, when gusts of 120 knots lashed the Oregon and Washington Coasts. Winds of about that same force were reported for the "big storms" of 1880 and 1931 in the Northwest.

Not Storm Structure Though dubbed a "typhoon" and "hurricane" on account of the extremely high wind speeds, the storm did not possess a structure typical of tropical storms nor did it produce the torrential downpours of such disturbances when it passed the Oregon Coast, Decker said.

The unique characteristics of the storm will be studied by meteorologists for years, the authors added.

More than \$1 million damage was done to towers and other equipment of the Bonneville Power Administration. It was reported. Three giant towers that will cost an average of \$250,000 to replace were toppled.

Storm damage to public and privately owned utilities serving Western Oregon is expected to range between \$10-\$15 million. The Oregon Co. as a result of the storm, interrupted the electric power of about 500,000 families. Agriculture suffered more than \$89 million loss to buildings, damaged orchards, livestock, and crops.

Total damage of the storm is expected to run in excess of \$175 million.

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HAS VISITORS—Julie London is visited on the set of a television production in Hollywood by Bobby Troup, her poor-niast husband, and Kelly, their nine-month-old daughter. (UPI)

Washington—The House Rules Committee Wednesday agreed to let members of the Space Committee take junks anywhere, including the moon.

Chairman Howard W. Smith (D-Va.) said he guessed it wouldn't be long before they arranged a nice trip to the moon, but reminded travel curbs have applied only to congressional tourism financed by cash American dollars.

Heretofore, the Rules Committee's efforts to limit overseas travel have met with little success, because previous travel curbs have applied only to congressional tourism financed by cash American dollars.

All the rest were told to stay home, except one, Public Works, which can go no further than Canada.

The board also said the present program is operating mainly high school students who want technical-vocational education.

The board approved financing of migrant education programs during the current school year at Nyssa and at Monitor.

The next board meeting was scheduled at Salem March 5.

DRUNKEN DRIVER Long Beach, Calif.—Arthur E. Longman, 52, is serving 20 days in county jail for drunken driving. Longman chose jail over a \$250 fine when he changed plea from innocent to guilty after being intoxicated when he palloped his small cart and two ponies through a red light and collided with a car.

CUBAN WORKER—A Cuban woman cuts sugar cane in a large field near Havana. U.S. newsmen, on a tour of Cuba, were taken to the field to watch volunteer workers harvest the crop. (UPI)