

THE WEEK IN CALIFORNIA

President Kennedy Talks, Californians Go for Walks

By United Press International When the President speaks, Americans walk 50 miles. At least that's what happened last week. And Californians were no exception.

It all started when President Kennedy learned that President Theodore Roosevelt in 1908 prescribed a 50-mile hike in less than 20 hours as a fitness test for Marine officers. Kennedy then asked if today's Marines could weather the test. One group tried it and succeeded—and that set off a nationwide fad.

In the San Francisco Bay Area, 400 Marin county high school students took off on a 50-mile hike. The feat was duplicated by Stanford university students. In the motherlode country of the Sierra foothills, a University of Pacific fraternity marched off the distance, as did three high school students who were welcomed at the state capital by acting governor Glenn Anderson.

These were just a few of hundreds of 50-mile hikers throughout the state. But by the end of the week, the word was out. Marine recruiters in northern California were told to forget about the marches. They were ordered neither to volunteer nor accept any challenges for the physical fitness test. "Your primary job is recruiting," they were informed.

Elsewhere, there were these developments: Legislature: Gov. Edmund G. Brown asked the Legislature to end the "nightmare" of racial discrimination and adopt a seven-point human rights program.

In a special message to the Senate and the Assembly, Brown said: "We have the opportunity to give to our fellow citizens the guarantees of freedom and opportunity which have been denied them for a century." Other highlights of the legislative week were the wrangling between republicans and the state finance director over the need for a new gubernatorial airplane; and a bill requested by Brown to allow specially marked highway patrol cars.

SP: Negotiations in the lengthy dispute between Southern Pacific railroad and the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks was postponed until the following week in Chicago. Federal mediator Frank O'Neill said he was confident a settlement could be reached. In a surprise move, O'Neill recessed the exhausting series of meetings which had been going on in San Francisco for eight days in an effort to avoid a walkout of SP clerks in seven western states.

Olympics: Los Angeles bolted to the forefront in a behind-the-scenes struggle for the 1968 Olympic Games despite anguished protests by Detroit, which had been assured it was "in" but may wind up being eased out.

Los Angeles' chances were appreciably strengthened and Detroit's proportionately weakened when the United States Olympic committee in New York was urged by its executive committee to reconsider the five cities bidding for the Olympics.

The cities of San Francisco and Portland almost immedi-

ately showed eagerness to scrap it out with Los Angeles and Detroit for the right to represent the United States in its bid for the Olympic Games site. Philadelphia was undecided whether to join the battle.

Kennedy-Hoffa: Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy and Teamsters-Union President James Hoffa—usually worlds apart in their opinions—were only separated by a few rooms in Los Angeles but did not see each other. Hoffa testified for nearly 2 1/2 hours before a secret Federal Grand Jury in the federal building while Kennedy conferred with aides several rooms away.

Storms: Northern Californians mopped up in the aftermath of one of the most extensive rain-storms to hit the area in almost one full year. The storm brought up to 8.62 inches of rain in some mountain areas. Downtown Los Angeles reported 2.58 inches.

Brown: Gov. Edmund G. Brown went to Washington, D.C., for a hectic round of meetings that took the better part of the week. Brown met with President Kennedy and recommended that William Bennett, a public utilities commissioner in California, be named to the Federal Power commission. He also met with Labor Secretary W. Willard Wirtz on the Mexican bracero program, and saw other cabinet members, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Democratic National Committee and the Chilean Embassy.

Rusk: Secretary of State Dean Rusk gave a full explanation of U.S. cold war tactics and continued the call for removal of all Soviet military forces in Cuba. Speaking in Los Angeles, he reiterated President Kennedy's statement that "we are reasonably certain that the offensive" weapons deployed by Soviets in Cuba have been removed. But he said the U.S. cannot be certain about this without on-the-spot inspection.

Trials: Two sensational murder trials—now weeks old—continued in the San Francisco Bay area. In San Francisco, Iva Kroeger took the stand to testify in her own behalf and became the central figure in one of the rowdiest days ever in a San Francisco courtroom. She and her husband, Ralph, are charged with killing motel owners Jay and Mildred Arneson. In San Jose, the sanity trial continued for Geza de Kaplany, accused of the acid slaying of his bride of five weeks.

Flag Raising Set At McLoughlin

One of the first 50-star flags to fly over the White House will be raised over McLoughlin Junior High school at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 18, according to the McLoughlin Junior High PTA.

The flag was sent by President John F. Kennedy in honor of Mrs. Leigh E. Gustilson, past president of the Oregon State PTA and McLoughlin Junior High PTA. It was presented to the McLoughlin PTA through the efforts of last year's president, Mrs. Max Weston.

Medford Scout Troop 105 will conduct the flag raising ceremony. Principal B. E. Cox, officers of the McLoughlin Junior High student body and the 1962-63 PTA executive board will attend. Anyone interested is invited.

Dr. Roberts Named To Head Directors

Dr. William H. Roberts was reelected to a second term as president of the YMCA board of directors at a board meeting recently.

Other officers elected are Larry Clark, first vice president; Don Herried, second vice president; Mrs. Owen Kunkel, secretary; and Herb Massinger, treasurer.

Four trustees also were chosen. They are Tex Nash, Wayne Struble, the Rev. H. C. Covert and Paul Doe.

Dr. Roberts said he planned to appoint committee chairman to head the various

Real Estate Branch Office Opens Here

Tom Phelps, 1020 Crown ave., Central Point, and Bill Kennerly, 1000 Hill st., Jacksonville, recently opened a real estate branch office at 628 South Riverside ave., Medford.

It will carry the same name as their Central Point office which is AAA Nationwide Realty. They are affiliated with the Portland office of the AAA Nationwide Realty.

Working in the Medford branch will be Larry South, 344 Hazel st., Central Point, and Art Hardy, 503 Oak st., Medford.



NEW PRESIDENT - Vincent W. Bousquet, woods manager of Weyerhaeuser company's Klamath Falls branch, is the new president of the Sierra-Cascade Logging Conference. He was elected by the organization's board of directors at this year's conference last week in Redding and Anderson, Calif.

Self-Employed to Report Net Earnings

Self-employed individuals should report their net earnings for Social Security purposes on Schedule C of their income tax return, Edward B. Jacobson, district manager of the Social Security office in Medford, has advised residents. Farm operators should use Schedule F.

Report correctly and receive correct benefit payments later, he said. If self-employed people are to receive full social security credit for their earnings, they should file an income tax return each year.

Net earnings count for social security credit, and correct net earnings can be figured only if accurate records of income and expenses are maintained, he added.

A report of self-employment income to the Director of Internal Revenue at the end of each taxable year is a report for social security purposes, Jacobson pointed out. Self-employed persons receive credit for all four calendar quarters in the year when net profit for the year is \$400 or more. If the net profit from the business is less than \$400, no social security credit is received.

Additional information on self-employment and social security may be obtained from the Medford social security office at 1017 North Riverside ave. The office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Planners Approve Request to Annex Area to Medford

The Medford planning commission Thursday night approved a request to annex to the city property north of Capital ave. and east of the water reservoir site. The matter will now go before the city council for final action.

If approved, the annexation will be made under a law passed by the Oregon legislature in 1961 which permits a city to annex property on the basis of a petition representing two-thirds of the property owners, two-thirds of the assessed valuation, and two-thirds of the property in the area to be annexed.

In the area under consideration, eight of the 12 property owners have consented to the annexation, representing 26 of the 27.7 acres involved. This amount represents 67 per cent of the total assessed valuation of the area.

In other action, the commission voted to: Approve a request for permission to build toys and children's furniture as a home occupation at 1109 West 11th st.

Grant tentative approval of Blossom Hill subdivision, Unit No. 3, as revised.

Set March 14 as the date for public hearings on a zone change request for property located at the northwest corner of Crater Lake ave. and Stevens st., and requests for variances to city ordinances for properties located at 1 King st., 21 Myrtle st., and 1418 Reddy ave.

All commissioners were present except Walter Higgins and R. B. Thierolf. Elwood Hedberg presided.

Commission Work Will Be Outlined

Clyde Richardson, rehabilitation counselor for the Oregon Commission for the Blind, will outline its services and functions when the Jackson County Inter-Community Council meets at noon Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the blind center on the Jackson county fairgrounds.

Dr. A. E. Merkel, Jackson county public health officer, Miss Donna Gilkey, chief psychiatric social worker, and Miss Ethel Shumway, psychiatric social worker, will outline services of the Family and Child Guidance clinic and its expanded role.

All those planning to attend are asked to take a sack lunch.

Greyhound Lines Plans Southern Tour

The Greyhound Lines have announced the fourth annual Spring Flower Tour of the Old South with March 9 scheduled as departure date.

The 37-day tour will start from San Francisco and "follow the hand of spring" into brightly blooming desert; across the grasslands of the Texas plains, and the Azalea trail across the deep south to Florida, and finally to cherry blossom time in Washington, D.C.," the company noted.

Additional information about Greyhound tours may be obtained from the local ticket office.

Young Republicans Schedule Meeting

Portland - The Young Republican Federation of Oregon will hold its biennial convention March 22 through 24 in Portland, Chairman William Brunner has announced.

Oregon YR clubs will send delegates to discuss party organizational matters, legislative issues, and programs relating to the 1964 elections. Officers of the Federation will be elected for the coming term, and resolutions and a platform may be adopted by the convention.

County Representative Relected at Meeting

Roseburg - The interest in cooperative farm credit service reached a new high in the five southwest counties of Oregon when the memberships of the Federal Land Bank Association of Roseburg and Southern Oregon Production Credit association turned out in record numbers to participate in the three sections of their annual meeting here recently.

Employees Ask for Hearing On Increasing Pay

The executive committee of the Jackson County Employees' association Friday asked the county court for a hearing on a requested pay increase.

In its letter, the committee said it was asking for a three-step pay increase over the present salary scale.

The committee attached the Civil Service pay schedule for Douglas and Clackamas counties and the City of Medford, which it noted is approximately the same range as proposed by the employees.

County Judge Earl M. Miller said Friday afternoon he had not seen the employee's request and did not know when a hearing would be set before the court and county budget committee.



DISPLAY OF BIBLES - Joseph Cardinal Ritter, St. Louis, Mo., and J. Erwin Miller, Columbus, Ohio, president of the National Council of Churches, look over a display of Bibles at the group's annual meeting of the division of Christian education at St. Louis. (UPI)

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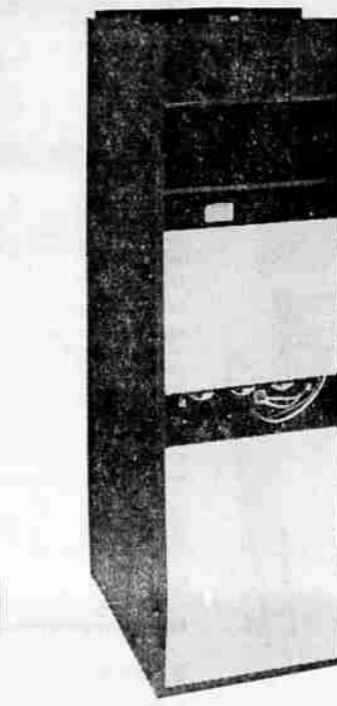
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