

FEDERAL TROOPS CIRCLE BIRMINGHAM

Astronaut Ready for Launch; Bad Weather Threatens Plans

Rainier Police Chief Wounded in Tavern Gunfight

Southern Oregon Link Investigated

Rainier, Ore. — (UPI) — Rainier Police Chief Don Allen and a Portland man were wounded in a gunfight at a tavern here early today.

Allen was reported in satisfactory condition at St. John's Hospital in Longview, Wash. He was shot in the neck.

Gerald Macomber, 40, Portland, was listed in fair condition at Columbia District hospital in St. Helens with bullet wounds in the side and one arm.

Sheriff Roy Wilburn of Columbia county said he was investigating to see if Macomber was the same Gerald Macomber who was captured in Southern Oregon in the fall of 1952 after an escape from the state penitentiary. Penitentiary records at Salem showed this Macomber was paroled Oct. 19, 1961.

Allen was called to the Stop-In Tavern shortly after 4 a.m. when tavern owner Mrs. Al Diss heard noises over an intercom system connecting the establishment with her home.

The chief said he surprised a man and a woman inside the tavern. The man opened fire, wounding Allen, who returned the shots.

The intruders then fled, but St. Helens police took Macomber and Donna Hedges, Portland, into custody on U.S. Highway 30 half a mile north of that city. The woman was being held at St. Helens.

Eastern Oregon Manhunt Concluded

Flora, Ore. — (UPI) — A week-long manhunt in the wilds of northeast Oregon ended Sunday when slaying suspect Billy Evans, 44, shot and killed himself at his cabin after wounding his cousin, state police reported.

Evans had been sought since last Monday night for the fatal shootings in Clarkston, Wash., of Mrs. May Griner, 40, Clarkston, and William Gerry, 40, La Grande.

State Police Sgt. David Brizendine said Evans shot himself after a group of officers closed in while firing a barrage of shots at the cabin for cover.

The cousin, Amos Evans, 60, Enterprise, was wounded in the left side of his face and was listed in critical condition at a hospital.

Billy Evans had been spotted last week, but searchers lost his trail.

District's Building Needs To Be Reviewed

The Medford school board, at a special meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, will review the district's building needs, particularly plans for additions to Wilson and Lone Pine elementary schools.

The meeting was called from 7:30 p.m. to the earlier hour because some board members expressed an interest in attending a Medford High school choir program later in the evening.

Insurance for Elderly Bill Passed by House

Salem — (UPI) — A bill envisioning a new program of health insurance for the elderly under a plan that has worked successfully in the East passed the House Saturday and went to the governor.

Mass Casualty Drill To Be Held By Local Hospitals

Medford hospitals, in conjunction with the Jackson County Medical Society, will hold simultaneous mass casualty drill between 2 and 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, as part of the local observance of National Hospital Week.

The program is under the direction of Dr. David C. Boals, chairman of the emergency medical care committee of the Jackson County Medical Society and deputy medical director of Jackson County Civil Defense. He will be assisted by Dr. Ray L. Casterline.

Dr. Boals pointed out that local hospitals for several years have had plans for the care of large numbers of injured persons. The plans have been worked out in accordance with suggestions made by the American Medical Association and the Civil Defense agency.

These plans, he noted, have been modified to fit the physical plants of the local hospitals, and have been adapted and altered at various times as the situation warranted.

Dr. Boals noted that the simulated mass casualty exercises will be carried out to determine the efficiency of the plans and to better acquaint hospital personnel and the medical staff with their functions in the event of an emergency.

The program at Sacred Heart hospital will be coordinated between Sister Luke, hospital administrator, and Dr. Fred T. Burich, medical officer in charge, Dr. Burich and his alternate, Dr. Eugene V. Meyerding, will be assisted by a team of about 20 Jackson county physicians.

Educate Personnel

At Rogue Valley hospital, Charles I. Gustafson, hospital administrator, and Dr. Roland M. Mayer will coordinate the program. Dr. Mayer's alternate will be Dr. Brian D. Stringer. They also will be assisted by a team of about 20 physicians.

Dr. Boals emphasized that the exercise is intended to inform and educate the hospital personnel and medical staff, and is not a civil defense function.

The drill should provide the hospital administration with a better idea of the personnel needed and the materials that will need to be stocked in the event of either a local or national disaster, he said. The drill also should provide the medical staff with an opportunity to evaluate the working conditions under such a situation.

Semi-Finalists for Miss Rogue Valley



Miss Callaghan
 Miss Joan Elizabeth Callaghan, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Callaghan, 945 South Riverside ave., Medford. She stands 5 feet, 5 inches tall and weighs 120 pounds. Miss Skolfield is a student at Southern Oregon college, Ashland, she is 5 feet, 7 1/4 inches tall and weighs 128 pounds. She is interested in pantomime and dance, and lists bowling, water skiing, tennis, modeling and dancing as hobbies. Miss Callaghan plans to attend modeling school upon graduation from college.

Miss Skolfield
 Miss Dorothy Skolfield, 21, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Skolfield, 945 South Riverside ave., Medford. She stands 5 feet, 5 inches tall and weighs 120 pounds. Miss Skolfield is a student at Southern Oregon college, and is employed part-time at Sears Roebuck and company. She plans a dance routine for her talent competition. Hobbies are listed as swimming, tennis, other sports, gardening, sewing, knitting, and cooking. She hopes to teach in the primary grades.

Freeman Appeal Turned Down by Supreme Court

Washington — (UPI) — The U.S. Supreme Court today denied a hearing to Jeannette June Freeman, 21, sentenced to the gas chamber in Oregon for throwing a small boy to his death.

The court's brief order leaves the state free to carry out the execution.

Miss Freeman, who would be the first woman executed in Oregon, had appealed to the high court after the Oregon Supreme Court affirmed the conviction on Sept. 19, 1962.

An execution date for Miss Freeman will be set later.

Bodies of two children were found in May of 1961 at the bottom of the Crooked River Gorge in Central Oregon.

The victims were Larry Jackson, 6, and a younger sister, Mrs. Gertrude Mae Jackson, 32, mother of the two, pleaded guilty to the slaying of the girl and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Miss Freeman's appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court said that on arrest she was not brought before a magistrate for a preliminary hearing; that the statements by her admitted at the trial were obtained during a period of illegal detention when she was deprived of the assistance of a lawyer.

10 Semi-Finalists Selected to Compete in Valley Pageant

Ten semi-finalists have been selected by preliminary judges to compete for the title of Miss Rogue Valley.

The finalist in the local contest will compete in the Miss Oregon pageant at Seaside June 27, 28, and 29.

The Medford Jaycees entrant last year, Miss Martha Wyatt of Jacksonville, won the state event and was among the top 10 Miss American finalists in Atlantic City.

The 10 valley finalists are Jacquelyn Ayres, Bobbie Gysin, Lindsay Darnelle, Ruth Beyer and Dorothy Skolfield, all Medford; Joan Elizabeth Callaghan, Eagle Point; Judy DeHaven, White City; Deanna Florence Dean, Southern Oregon college, Ashland; Susan Jane Cummings, Central Point; Diane Maddox, Jacksonville.

Judges selecting the 10 finalists from 42 original contestants were Mrs. Marjorie Roethler, Mrs. Evelyn Prugh, James Grigsby Jr., Allen Hooker and James Butler, all of Medford.

Winner of the Miss Rogue Valley Pageant will receive a \$100 scholarship from the Pepsi Cola Bottling company.

Valley Man Held For California

Jewel David Kirklint, 636 1/2 Oak st., Central Point, this morning in district court was ordered held for Siskiyou county, Calif. authorities on charges of grand theft.

He was arrested Thursday night by Jackson and Siskiyou county sheriff's deputies and Central Point police on a Siskiyou county warrant.

The charges involve the theft of tools from a Whiskey creek logging site April 25.

Earlier three other men also charged in connection with the theft were apprehended in Josephine county, according to officers, William D. Bryson, Claude Bryson Jr., and James Thomas Cobb have been returned to Siskiyou county.

Also appearing in district court today was Kenneth Lawrence McKenzie, 33, of 8418 Downing rd., Central Point. He pleaded innocent to a charge of pointing a firearm at another and had trial scheduled for May 29 at 10 a.m.

Baum to Siskiyou Sheriff's Office

Frank C. Baum, game law enforcement officer with the Oregon State police, Medford office, has resigned to become chief criminal deputy with the Siskiyou county sheriff's office, it was learned here this morning.

Baum is scheduled to start work at Yreka tomorrow morning.

He had been with the state police here since Sept. 1, 1960, prior to which he served as a game officer in the Enterprise area.

Portland Couple Auto Crash Victims

Arlington, Ore. — (UPI) — A Portland man and his wife were killed Monday in a one-car accident about three-fourths of a mile west of here on Highway 30, State Police reported.

The victims were Clarence W. Carter, 55, and his wife, Bertha, 52.

First Half of Countdown Over; Clouds Expected

Recovery Area Weather Good

Cape Canaveral, Fla. — (UPI) — Scientists moved ahead confidently today with plans to send astronaut L. Gordon Cooper, 36, on America's most ambitious space journey Tuesday despite a threat of bad weather.

"As of this time preparations for the attempted launch... are continuing," a federal space agency spokesman said at a weather briefing.

Cooper, an Air Force major, is scheduled to lift off Tuesday morning on a planned 22-orbit voyage that would last for three previous orbital flights by Americans.

Foul weather could delay his trip one day or possibly longer.

The first half of a "split countdown" for the flight was completed at 7 a.m. (pdt) today. This consisted essentially of preparing the launch facilities and equipment to be used in the 34-hour flight.

If all goes well, the second half of the countdown will begin shortly after midnight tonight.

Clouds Over Florida

The spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said, "The extended period of clear skies over Florida is coming to an end... and it now seems quite certain that morning cloudiness (Tuesday) over Cape Canaveral will cover at least half of the sky, with some periods during the morning having nearly overcast conditions."

NASA officials expressed confidence that the clouds would clear away sufficiently to permit the intense camera and tracking necessary for the blastoff sometime between 6 a.m. and 8:30 (pdt).

The weather in the primary recovery area in the Pacific near Midway Island remained gentle — "partly cloudy with scattered light showers and moderate to fresh winds along with moderate seas. Improving sea conditions are expected by the end of the 22nd orbit."

Cooper planned a relatively quiet day today.

Reviews Star Charts

He was scheduled to make at least one simulated flight in a Mercury procedures trainer and later review star charts and technical information.

The astronaut was to meet with Mercury Project leaders late today for what was described as an "informal briefing" on the flight.

A spokesman said the discussion would cover everything from the status of the Atlas rocket that will boost Cooper into the sky at a speed of 17,500 miles per hour to the recovery plans.

Resort To Open Later This Year

The Lake of the Woods resort is scheduled for a late opening this year in order to accommodate extensive work that is being done on the facilities.

The boat house and store will be open as soon as work on them is completed, while the cabins, lodge and dining room are expected to be open for the Memorial Day week end.

The resort telephone is now connected, however, and travelers are advised to check with the lodge before making any plans. Reservations for later in the summer are now being taken.

Recreation programs planned for this summer include competitive sports events, firesides and evening entertainment, and horseback riding.

Fishing at present is reported good to excellent, with most limits being caught on Ford Fenders and Salmon Eggs.

The routes to Lake of the Woods from Ashland, via Dead Indian rd., and from Klamath Falls are both clear and in good condition, it was reported.



TALK AT BANQUET — Congressman Robert B. Duncan (left) talks with U. S. Sen. Gaylord Nelson (D-Wis.) during the 13th annual Roosevelt Memorial dinner Saturday evening at Hedrick Junior High school. The local congressman introduced Senator Nelson.

District Projects Are Progressing 'Satisfactorily'

All current projects in the Fourth Congressional district are progressing with satisfactory speed, Congressman Robert B. Duncan told constituents Saturday night following the 13th annual Roosevelt Memorial dinner at Hedrick Junior High school at which he introduced the principal speaker, U. S. Sen. Gaylord Nelson.

Contracts with water users on the Agate dam project were recently signed by Ken Holm, assistant secretary of the interior, Duncan reminded residents.

The Oregon delegation is drawing up a bill on the Merlin project and the Rogue Basin project "has gone forward with amazing speed in recent months as the result of hard work on the part of the entire Oregon delegation with the assistance of Ben Hilton and the Rogue Basin Flood Control and Water Resources association."

Duncan, with one foot in a cast, facetiously presented himself as the "latest victim of the New Frontier's physical fitness campaign." He received the injury while engaging in sports in the Capitol gymnasium.

Continuing with the local picture after bringing greetings from Sen. Edward Kennedy and Congressman James Roosevelt to Medford friends, Duncan said: "There is no greater friend to the western states than Representative Mike Kirwin, member of the House Appropriations committee. He has consistently voted favorably on proclamation, recreation and conservation programs in Oregon and other western states."

The statement came when Duncan was queried as to any possible effects on the program from Kirwin's recent disagreement with Senator Wayne Morse and Congressman Edith Green over the proposed \$10 million Washington, D. C., fish aquarium.

"Many people have become alarmed over Kirwin's action concerning O and C funds," Duncan stated. "What many don't seem to realize is that these funds were not cut back but were in fact raised by one-half million dollars. The counties didn't receive as much as requested, but it should be brought out that funds were not decreased when compared to last year's allocation," the congressman explained.

Two Sex Offender Measures on Desk

Salem — (UPI) — The first two of six sex offender bills were sent to the governor's desk today.

The measures cleared the legislature when the House concurred in Senate amendments to bills providing enhanced penalties for sex offenders and stiffening laws against "peeping toms."

A third bill, involving jurisdiction over sex offense cases where the parties include children under 16, went to a conference committee to iron out house-senate differences.

Two more bills on juvenile jurisdiction and civil commitment of sexually dangerous persons — have cleared the House and are in Senate committee.

The sixth, providing for central reporting of all sex offenses, is being redrafted in the House Judiciary committee.

Eugene Man Named State Library Trustee

Salem — (UPI) — Appointment of William P. Mumford, Eugene, as a state library trustee was announced today by the governor's office.

He succeeds William H. Carlson, Corvallis, whose term expires May 31.

New Telephone Directory Distribution To Begin in Jackson County Tomorrow

The 1963 telephone directory will be delivered to Pacific Northwest Bell customers in Ashland, Medford and other Jackson county communities this week, starting Tuesday, May 14, according to J. H. Creager, local manager for the company.

The cover features full color scenes of Western, Central and Eastern Oregon. The vista from Otter Crest on the coast, a fisherman on the Deschutes and the John Day canyon combine to encourage everyone to "See all of Oregon."

Expanded area code information for long distance calling will be found in the introductory pages of the new directory. Handbooks with area codes for hundreds of U.S. and Canadian communities are available at the business office. New Blue Books for personal telephone number lists are also available for the asking. Both are free of charge.

Creager urged everyone to jot police, fire and other emergency service numbers in the spaces provided inside the front cover of the phone book. Small pictures of appropriate emergency vehicles have been printed next to these spaces to aid quick identification.

Products Development corporation is handling delivery for the phone company. About 50 persons have been hired locally to make the door-to-door delivery, scheduled to be completed Saturday, May 18. The post office will deliver to a few customers on rural routes and all subscribers in the Gold Hill exchange.

Some 45,000 directories were printed for Pacific Northwest Bell exchanges in the county this year. Initial delivery will be approximately 30,000 with another 2,500 sent to points outside the county, some as far as the East coast. The remaining directories will be used for new customers and to replace worn-out books during the year.

Local Officials Keeping Order Following Riots

Governor Protests Sending of Troops

Birmingham, Ala. — (UPI) — Combat-equipped federal troops ringed riot-torn Birmingham today but all indications were they would not move into the racially troubled southern city so far as local officials kept order.

The city, where rioting between Negroes and police broke out after the bombing of a Negro home and a Negro motel Saturday night, remained quiet through midday.

Federal troop detachments ordered out by President Kennedy were poised to the south and east of Birmingham, and an advance military detachment set up headquarters in an office building near the riot area.

But Alabama Sen. John Sparkman sent word from Washington he had been assured by President Kennedy the troops would not move in if local authorities continued to maintain law and order.

Wait For Developments

And a spokesman for a seven-man Department of Justice team from Washington told a news conference, "We will wait for developments" before recommending that troops be sent in.

"We are hopeful this can be handled by local authorities," said Edwin Guthman of the Justice Department.

Guthman said Asst. Atty. Gen. Burke Marshall, sent back to Birmingham Sunday night by President Kennedy, had been in contact with leaders of white and Negro groups during the day.

Huge Air Force transport planes began landing the troops at Maxwell Air Force Base 90 miles south of here at Montgomery within an hour after Kennedy issued his order Sunday. By early morning, more than 10 planes had arrived with cargoes of soldiers, jeeps and other equipment.

Will Preserve Order

Kennedy said in calling out the troops that he would "do whatever must be done to preserve order" in Birmingham which was rocked by bombings and rioting early Sunday. Twenty-two persons were injured in the pitched battles between Negroes and police that climaxed six weeks of anti-segregation demonstrations.

Gov. George Wallace protested the sending of troops to Alabama. In a telegram to the President Sunday, he said "sufficient state law enforcement officers are available to maintain peace and order" in Birmingham.

Week End Crashes Leave Four Dead

Traffic accidents claimed four lives in Oregon during the week end.

Mrs. Rheta Gough, 47, Roseburg, and Kenneth Olson, 23, Gardena, Calif., were killed in separate one-car accidents on Interstate 5 near Roseburg Sunday.

Mrs. Marjorie Williams, 36, Springfield, died in a two-car collision on State Highway 222 one mile west of Jasper Saturday.

Wayne Bryan, 27, Beaverton, was killed when his motorcycle slid under a car near Portland Friday night.

The fatalities brought Oregon's highway death toll to 14 so far this month, compared to 15 for a similar period in 1962.

Auto traffic has claimed 160 lives in the state so far this year, compared to 135 deaths in the same period last year.

NEWS BRIEFS

KHRUSHCHEV URGES NUCLEAR TEST BAN
 London — (UPI) — Premier Nikita Khrushchev has sent a reply to the joint appeal from President Kennedy and Prime Minister Harold Macmillan urging an early nuclear test ban. The Foreign Office said today.

ENTIRE ARGENTINA CABINET RESIGNS
 Buenos Aires — (UPI) — Argentine President Jose Maria Guido today sought replacements for his entire cabinet which resigned over the week end in a new crisis threatening to upset the coming national elections.

RAILROAD MERGER AGREEMENT REACHED
 New York — (UPI) — Agreement has been reached by the managements of the Union Pacific Railroad and the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Railroad on terms for a merger of the two roads, it was announced today.

FORMER DICTATOR'S APPEAL TURNED DOWN
 Washington — (UPI) — The Supreme Court today turned down an appeal by former Venezuelan Dictator Marcos Jimenez, opening the way for Secretary of State Dean Rusk to act on a move to extradite him to the country he once ruled.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Variable cloudiness tonight and Tuesday. Afternoon showers over mountains. Low tonight 35. High Tuesday 65.

Highest Yesterday	Temp.
Lowest This Morning	36
Precip. to 10 a.m. Today	Trace

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today	8:24 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	5:51 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow	1:51 a.m.
Last Quarter	May 16

PROMINENT STAR
 Spica, in southwest at moonrise.

VISIBLE PLANETS
 Mars, high in southwest at sunset.

Saturn, rises	2:59 a.m.
Jupiter, rises	4:32 a.m.
Venus, rises	5:09 a.m.