

Hatfield Fires Two Accident Commissioners

Congressional Leaders Hear Civil Rights Plan

No Immediate Consensus Given On Proposals

Kennedy Asks No Commitments

Washington —UPI— President Kennedy laid his urgent new civil rights program before congressional leaders of both parties today but apparently won no immediate consensus on his proposals.

One participant said the President's program, which is not expected to go to Congress before next week, will put weight behind school desegregation, equal public accommodations and easier voting requirements — but not a fair employment practices proposal.

"FEPC is definitely out," this member told a reporter.

Key Republicans, whose support is vital if Congress is to approve the President's still-tentative new legislative proposals, planned a news conference later today to discuss their position.

The White House meeting lasted an hour and 40 minutes and was another in a series of sessions the President has been holding both with legislative leaders and top officials in business and other fields.

No Promises Asked

A Democratic source said no commitments were sought by the President and no consensus was reached.

Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield (Mont.) told reporters the White House conference reviewed the President's civil rights program in "general terms."

He said the President's program "possibly" will go to Congress next week, but there were indications there might be some further delay to permit wider consultations with community and business leaders.

"It's better to be a little more solid and take a little more time, than just to rush in," Mansfield said.

The Democratic leader said he would hope local and state authorities would "do what they could to meet their own responsibilities" in the current racial crisis, which he said is a national problem.

He said the GOP leaders were included in today's meeting so they could be "in on the takeoff" of the civil rights program, so to speak.

Medford Receives Achievement Award

Medford has been awarded an outstanding achievement certificate by the National Safety Council for accomplishments in traffic engineering during 1962, according to an announcement from the council's national headquarters in Chicago, Ill.

This is the second consecutive year that Medford has been awarded the certificate.

News of the award was received by Mayor James Dunlevy recently in a congratulatory telegram from Howard Pyle, president of the National Safety Council.

Three other cities and the state of Oregon also were cited by the council for achievements in traffic safety last year. They were among 181 municipalities, 29 states and Puerto Rico receiving the awards.

ALBANY YOUTH DROWNS
Albany —UPI— Malcolm Rogers, 15, of Albany drowned Wednesday while swimming with a companion in the Willamette river near its junction with the Calapooya river.

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MEETS WITH GOVERNOR — S. K. Patil, India's Minister of Food and Agriculture, right, confers with Oregon Gov. Mark Hatfield in Salem. Patil had recently participated in the World Food Congress in Washington, D.C., and conferred with U.S. Department of Agriculture officials on purchase of wheat and other commodities. Oregon is a prime supplier of wheat for India. (UPI)

Mississippi Police Press Investigation Of Negro's Death

Jackson, Miss. —UPI— Police pressed one of the most intensive investigations in Mississippi history today for the killer of Negro civil rights leader Medgar Evers. A price of more than \$22,000 was placed on the head of the sniper.

Detectives worked around the clock on several leads including a "good" fingerprint from the apparent murder weapon.

Mourning Negroes who had been led by Evers in months of integration demonstrations were called on Wednesday night to start a week of black armband mourning, fasting and abolition of all downtown shopping.

Following the slaying, which President Kennedy called an "act of barbarity," 160 Negroes were arrested during spontaneous marches in this tense capital city. There were sporadic incidents of violence including the stoning of a police car Wednesday night in the Negro section. The vehicle was damaged but there were no injuries or arrests.

Evers, field secretary for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Mississippi, was cut down at the age of 37 early Wednesday by a single bullet from a .30 caliber rifle.

Evers apparently had some premonition that he might pay with his life for his militant civil rights stand in the Deep South.

Widow Speaks At Rally
His grieving widow and mother of his three small children told a tearful memorial rally Wednesday night that her husband talked with her briefly Sunday night, saying that if he had to die he would rather be killed in the midst of a fight for his people "than to sleep away" to death. "I don't want his death to be in vain," Mrs. Evers said from the pulpit of a church crowded with more than 900 Negroes. "That would be as big a blow as his death."

Evers was shot at close range as he walked from his car to his neat one-story home following a civil rights rally. The bullet pierced his body, entered the house where his wife and children were awaiting his return and ricocheted off a refrigerator. The bullet was found on a kitchen table.

Bridge Damaged in Storm to Open
The Kane Creek bridge, damaged in the Dec. 2 flood and closed since that date, will be open to traffic Friday evening, County Engineer Robert J. Carstensen reported today.

Jackson County Commissioner Edwin Taylor and Carstensen inspected the reconstruction Thursday morning. The settling of the Kane Creek bridge from flood waters was the major bridge damage to the county system from the flood, Carstensen said.

Bridge is located two miles south of Gold Hill on the Old Stage rd. A detour has been open to traffic during the repair period.

Loon Lake Site Development Planned
Portland —UPI— The Bureau of Land Management has announced plans for development of a recreation site at Loon lake in Douglas county east of Reedsport.

Bids will be open June 18 for the project, which will include construction of a boat ramp, improvement of the swimming area and parking facilities.

Theft of Ski Pants Brings Term in Jail
Portland —UPI— Federal Judge Gus Solomon Wednesday sentenced Albert L. Jones, 63-year-old Milwaukee longshoreman, to 60 days in jail on a charge of stealing a pair of \$20 ski pants from the waterfront here.

The judge said that "if I were ever going to make an exception, I would do it in this case," but added that he would not go back on his ruling that anyone who stole from an interstate shipment must go to jail.

NLMA 'Indignant' Over Refusal of Lumber Marking

Fear of Ruffling Relations Noted

Washington —UPI— The National Lumber Manufacturers Association said today it was "indignant" about a senate committee's pigeonholing a proposal to require lumber imports from Canada to be marked as to country of origin.

The trade association said it understood the proposal was sidetracked for fear of ruffling U.S.-Canadian relations.

The measure, a keystone in the drive to reduce Canada's \$280 million a year softwood lumber sales in the United States, had been offered as an amendment to a House-passed bill dealing with marking other imported articles. The Senate Finance Committee Wednesday ordered the bill reported to the Senate floor without the amendment.

Through Canadian Glasses
"We're indignant," an NLMA spokesman said. "We are rather distressed at those members of Congress who continue to see the problems of American lumber men through Canadian glasses."

Sen. Len B. Jordan (R-Idaho), who sponsored the amendment, said the proposal was not dead because it was embodied in other legislation before Congress. He said the lumber-marking requirement might actually fare better on its own than as a rider to the bill that was reported Wednesday.

The NLMA said it was "still committed to the principle of restricting Canadian imports to a reasonable percentage of U.S. consumption."

Easier To Enforce Policies
The marking requirement would have made it easier to enforce "buy American" policies in lumber purchases. It also was a foundation for proposals to require U.S. lumber to be used in any construction financed with loans guaranteed under federal programs.

Among other lumber measures before Congress is a bill that would restrict imported softwood lumber to 6 per cent of U.S. consumption.

Imported soft wood, almost entirely from Canada, accounted for 15 per cent of U.S. consumption last year, according to the Commerce department. U.S. industry spokesmen have said the share has climbed to above 17 per cent this year.

Timber Assessment Battle Shaping
Salem —UPI— Ground rules for a battle over timber land assessments in five Western Oregon counties were laid down today at a meeting of state tax commissioners and county and industry representatives.

Timber land assessments for Benton, Columbia, Linn, Lane and Washington counties were increased earlier this year, and caused a storm of protest from the lumber industry.

Protest hearings on the increased assessments will be held over a four-week period beginning next week.

Tax Commission Attorney Adolph Petersen told the 50 county officials and industry representatives "the commission feels its valuation is correct, the burden of proof rests with the industry to show that the commission is wrong."

Couple Hospitalized In Morning Accident
A man and woman were hospitalized at Ashland Community hospital this morning following a two-car accident on Highway 99 near Lithia Drive in Theater.

The couple, occupants of one of the vehicles, were taken to the hospital by Litwiler's Ambulance service shortly after 11 o'clock. No other details were available at press time.

Trial Date Set In Land Fraud Case
Portland —UPI— Trial of seven men charged with mail fraud in connection with the Lake Valley subdivision in Eastern Oregon today was set for Oct. 15 in U.S. District Court.

All seven men entered pleas of innocent before Judge Gus J. Solomon today. The judge granted the defendants 20 days in which to file motions in the case.

The defendants, all out-of-state residents, are Abraham Koolish, David F. Koolish, John M. Phillips, Jack Cecil Cherbo, Richard Dale Walker, George Edward Isaacs, and Maurice Arthur Hall.

All were released on their own recognizance and given permission to leave Oregon for their home states.

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MIRACULOUS ESCAPE — The driver of what's left of this water tank truck, Tim Trujillo of Pueblo, Colo., miraculously escaped death near Calhan, Colo., when his truck was hit broadside by a passenger train. Ander Lund, of

Chicago, was the only person aboard the train to be injured in the ensuing derailment. Trujillo is said to be in satisfactory condition in a hospital. (UPI)

Medford Girl State Treasurer Of Girls State

Salem —UPI— Cynthia Jean Harless, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. R. L. Harless of Klamath Falls, was elected Girls State governor here today.

Named secretary of state of the mythical government was Robbie Jean Hamel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hamel of Eugene.

Patricia Longmore, daughter of Mrs. W. D. Longmore of Medford, was selected state treasurer.

Named attorney general was Kathy Simantel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Simantel of Hillsboro, and Patricia Kuhn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kuhn of Cottage Grove was elected state labor commissioner.

Barton To Be Speaker
The new officers will be sworn in this afternoon by Suzanne Gearhart, Salem, who was elected chief justice.

The inauguration ceremonies will be held this afternoon in the House of Representatives in the Capitol building.

House Speaker Clarence Barton (D-Coquille) will address the joint House-Senate session of the mythical government at the inaugural session.

Girls State delegates will visit the Oregon Supreme Court, and select a candidate for Girls Nation at tomorrow's sessions.

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Permit Issued for Office Building
Permits for the construction of a professional office building at 17 Myrtle st. and a signal service station were issued by the Medford building department Wednesday.

Valuation of the office building, which is being designed by Medford Architect Jerry Hunter, was \$60,000. The service station which is to be located at 1068 South Riverside ave., was valued at \$22,000.

Other permits Wednesday were issued to Robert Wickman to erect a \$15,000 residence at 1416 Oleander st.; to Don Lewellyn to erect a \$12,000 residence at 1333 Ridgeway ave.; to W. A. Scoville to remodel a residence at 20 South Barneburg rd. at an estimated cost of \$5,000; and to Mrs. Marie Blessing to remodel a residence at 1223 East 11th st. at an approximate cost of \$1,000.

A permit was issued Thursday to A. R. Dubs to erect a \$15,000 residence at 864 Morrison st.

Wounded Police Officer Succumbs
Portland —UPI— Policeman Henry H. Brown, 53, who was shot three times at his home Tuesday night, died late Wednesday at Portland Sanitarium.

He was to have retired next year after 25 years of service.

The shooting climaxed a family quarrel, according to Multnomah county deputies. He suffered two gunshot wounds in the abdomen and one in the shoulder.

His wife, Irene, 55, was arrested after the shooting and charged with assault with intent to kill.

Brown was appointed to the police bureau in 1939. He had walked the tough skid road beat north of Burnside street most of the time.

Wednesday evening, shortly before he died, two skid road residents who had been arrested a number of times by the policeman appeared at Central Precinct and volunteered to donate blood for the wounded officer.

Welfare Seeking New Caseworkers
Salem —UPI— The State Public Welfare commission is doubling its efforts to find new caseworkers, administrator Andrew F. Juras said today.

The governor Wednesday signed the agency's budget, which includes provision for 128 new caseworker positions. The department now has about 380 caseworkers.

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Grange Master Addresses Session
Oregon City —UPI— Oregon's public utility district law should be changed to allow PUD directors to issue revenue bonds without the necessity of voter approval, according to Allen P. Wheeler, master of the State Grange.

Wheeler, addressing the Grange's 90th annual convention, urged members to seek legislation that would give an equal opportunity with Washington in setting up PUD districts. He said Washington PUD directors can issue revenue bonds without submitting the matter to a vote of residents in the district.

Oregon, he said, has only four PUD's in operation with seven inactive, while Washington has a large number of them.

Galice Rd. Opened To One-Way Traffic
Grants Pass —UPI— Galice rd. west of the Rogue river and northwest of Grants Pass, has been opened to one-way traffic, Oregon state highway department officials announced today.

The road was closed by a slide during the week end about two miles downstream from Galice. Traffic was being rerouted along Interstate 5 before the road was opened.

Officials said that first signs of the slide were noticed Saturday night when a few rocks were reported on the road. Later rocks and dirt completely blocked the highway.

Movement is still reported in the area and further clearing of the roadway will not be started until the slide has stopped, officials said.

It is said to be in the Hooks Gulch area.

Washington —UPI— Glen Van Slyke III, 15, Oak Ridge, Tenn., became the nation's spelling champion today.

Kennedy Predicts Congressional OK For Medical Care

Washington —UPI— President Kennedy said today that medical care for the aged under Social Security is "very vital" and predicted that Congress will pass such legislation this year.

The President made a strongly-worded speech on behalf of the so-called Medicare bill before about 1,000 cheering members of the National Council for Senior Citizens. They met here to press for the legislation.

"I think this bill will pass," the Chief Executive told them.

Asserting that no Western European country has failed to provide some form of medical care for older citizens, Kennedy said:

"It's time the United States caught up. I don't think we ought to be second in anything."

Then, thumping the lectern for emphasis, he declared:

"My prediction certainly is that if members of the House and Senate have a chance to vote on the bill it will pass in this 88th Congress."

The House Ways and Means Committee has been the major bottleneck in the administration's campaign to have the program enacted. Chairman Wilbur D. Mills (D-Ark.) recently made clear that he still adamantly opposes the bill.

Kennedy said in a spirited five-minute address that he could not see why it was necessary to fight for hospital insurance through Social Security since the principle was adopted by this country more than 30 years ago.

"We are not suggesting something radical or new or violent," he said.

"We're suggesting something that has been done by every intelligent, developed country in the world."

State Forestry Mans Three Lookouts
The state forestry department has manned three more lookouts in the area. They are at Fredenburg, in the Butte Falls area, Soda mountain and Round Top, in the Umpqua region. Buck Rock lookout, north of Trail, will be manned tomorrow.

Boundaries of a Proposed Zoned Area To Be Checked
A meeting, to determine the boundaries of a proposed interim zoned area south of Ashland and to consider restrictions in the ordinance, will be held Monday, June 17, by the Jackson county planning commission.

The meeting was scheduled following a commission meeting last evening at the Bellview school in Ashland when some 50 area persons voiced their opinions regarding zoning.

The area in question concerns that portion of the Bellview district adjacent to Highways 66 and 99 and Crownson rd.

The Monday meeting will be at 8 p.m. in the planning commission office at the courthouse.

The discussion was held after the commission received petitions, signed by more than 60 residents, requesting zoning.

Other petitions were received last evening.

During the meeting it was learned that petitions had been circulated by two different groups. One group had objected to the possibility of a cement block plant locating in the area. The other group sought controls which would regulate lot minimums and building setbacks.

Since no definite boundaries had been determined for the area requesting zoning, the commission had to schedule the Monday session. When more accurate boundaries are known it will be referred to the county court with recommendation that the area be zoned.

Copies of an interim zoning ordinance in effect in another part of the county were distributed with residents making recommendations as to additions and changes.

'Inefficiency' Charge Levelled By Governor

Dismissal Takes Effect June 25

Salem —UPI— Gov. Mark Hatfield has charged two of Oregon's three industrial accident commissioners with "inefficiency in office" and dismissed them effective June 25.

The dismissal notices were sent Wednesday to Chairman Sidney B. Lewis, Salem, employers' representative whose term expires Jan. 7, 1967, and to Emily P. Logan, Corvallis, public representative whose term expires Jan. 2, 1965.

The third member, William A. Callaghan, Portland, labor representative on the board, was not discharged.

Both Lewis and Logan told UPI they would not resign.

Letter Quoted
Hatfield wrote both: "I hereby remove you from the office of industrial accident commissioner, effective June 25. If you wish to appear and be heard on your own defense, a public hearing will be held Monday, June 24, at 2:30 p.m. in the Board of Control room."

Attached was a list of charges. Both were notified they were being dismissed for "inefficiency in office."

Warne Nunn, Hatfield's executive assistant, would not explain what the governor meant by "inefficiency in office."

Both Lewis and Logan indicated they would appear at the hearing.

Lewis said "I am not resigning, everything is as usual."

Mrs. Logan said "I am not going to resign."

During the recent legislative session a special bill was introduced which would have terminated the terms of all three commissioners, and allowed the governor to appoint a new commission.

The bill was killed in the House. Opponents said if the governor wanted to get rid of the commissioners, he should do it himself, and not pass the buck to the legislature.

The controversial workmen's compensation measure, which was killed in the House in the final days of the legislative session, also contained a provision for ending the terms of the three commissioners.

Rumors that some members of the commission would resign swept the capitol Tuesday and Wednesday.

All three commissioners said Wednesday they would not resign, but Lewis said he might make a statement later in the day.

Funeral for Pope To Resume Friday

Vatican City —UPI— Funeral rites for Pope John XXIII were suspended today for the feast of Corpus Christi, but church officials went ahead with preparations for the secret conclave which will elect his successor.

The nine-day funeral of the late Pope will resume Friday and go on through Monday.

The steady flow of pilgrims to Pope John's temporary tomb in the crypt of St. Peter's Basilica continued.

Preparations for the conclave to elect a new pontiff were approaching completion. The conclave area in the Vatican where the cardinals will remain until they choose his successor was being carefully sealed off from the outside world.

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WEATHER
FORECAST: Fair tonight and Friday. Chance of afternoon and evening showers. Low tonight 53. High Friday 88.

Highest Yesterday 85
Lowest This Morning 55

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 8:49 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 5:24 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow 1:34 a.m.
Last Quarter 10:10 a.m. tomorrow
Venus, the brightest planet, rises tomorrow at 4:19 a.m. tomorrow at 4:49 a.m.
Mercury, the smallest planet, is visible in the southern part of the U.S. is Mercury, the smallest planet.