

Hurricane Death Toll Continues To Climb



WHEAT SALE OPPOSED—Former Vice President Richard M. Nixon, above, says that American sale of wheat to Russia could only hurt the cause of freedom and help the Soviets to "maintain domination" over their satellite countries. Nixon told a New York audience that the Communists use trade for political purposes. "Why should we pull them out of their troubles and make communism look better as a result of our furnishing the wheat?" he asked. (UPI)

Mme. Nhu's Father Continues Rebuff; No Meeting Planned

NEW YORK (UPI)—Mme. Ngo Dinh Nhu charged today that the United States Information Agency in South Viet Nam was involved in a plot to overthrow her brother-in-law's regime.

NEW YORK (UPI)—Mme. Ngo Dinh Nhu begins a whirlwind round of speaking engagements today that she hopes will silence her critics and those of her brother-in-law's regime in South Viet Nam.

Mme. Nhu, who arrived here Monday night for an unofficial visit that has met strong congressional opposition, should be rested and well-prepared for her strenuous schedule which includes television interviews and a lunch address.

She and her 17-year-old daughter, Le Thu, remained in their mid-Manhattan hotel room Tuesday and through the night.

While Mme. Nhu was quiet, her father, Tran Van Chuong, spoke to a club meeting a few blocks from her hotel and again rebuffed her, saying he did not intend to see his daughter during her three-week visit in the United States.

Chuong, who did express a desire to meet his granddaughter, said he would refuse to see Mme. Nhu because "I am fully conscious of the harm that has been done to my country by the Diem family to which she belongs."

Chuong recently resigned as the Vietnamese ambassador to Washington in protest against the policies of South Viet Nam President Ngo Dinh Diem, whose regime he called "nothing but a colossus with clay feet."

At the same time, in Washington, Rep. Wayne Hays (D-Ia.) described the first lady of South Viet Nam as "a 20th century Lucrezia Borgia."

Hays said he had ordered his foreign affairs subcommittee to determine why the State Department issued her a visa. "She is an evil woman and should have been kept out of the United States," he said.

NEWS BRIEFS

- HELICOPTERS DOWNED IN SOUTH VIET NAM**
SAIGON, South Viet Nam (UPI)—Two U.S. Marine Corps helicopters carrying a total of 12 Americans crashed and burned in the jungle highlands 325 miles north of Saigon.
- MOROCCO ACCUSES ALGERIA OF INVASION**
ALGIERS (UPI)—Morocco today charged Algeria with invading its territory to kill 10 Moroccan soldiers in a clash Tuesday. It sent Information Minister Abdelhadi Boutaleb to Algiers to confer with President Ahmed Ben Bella.
- RUSK SEEKS TO SOFTEN OPPOSITION**
WASHINGTON (UPI)—Secretary of State Dean Rusk sought today to soften Senate opposition to foreign aid and prevent severe cuts in President Kennedy's embattled program.
- FRENCHMAN ENDS TALKS IN WASHINGTON**
WASHINGTON (UPI)—French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville was flying home today from talks here which failed to lessen basic differences between Paris and Washington on defense strategy and trade.
- VIOLENCE FLARES A-NEW IN VENEZUELA**
CARACAS, Venezuela (UPI)—New terrorist violence flared today with five persons wounded in an attempted raid by machine-gunned underground members on a district police station.

Duncan Proposal For Dunes Park Tentatively OK'd

Less Condemnation Of Property Noted

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Senate Public Lands Subcommittee was reported today to have tentatively agreed on a compromise Oregon Dunes National Seashore bill that includes most of the boundaries proposed by Rep. Robert Duncan (D-Ore.).

The subcommittee held a closed meeting Tuesday.

Florence Residents Opposed to Seashore

FLORENCE (UPI)—Most residents of the Florence area still are opposed to the proposed Oregon Dunes National Seashore park despite the more conservative boundaries reported approved by a Senate subcommittee. Mayor Stuart Johnston said today.

Johnston said the area already included county, state and U.S. Forest Service parks, and added: "We're satisfied with what we have."

Duncan has proposed a 30,000-acre dunes park running from Florence to Ten Mile creek near Lakeside. Sen. Maurice Neuberger (D-Ore.) had introduced a bill calling for a 42,000-acre park and Interior Secretary Stewart Udall favored an expansion of the Neuberger bill to 44,000 acres.

The subcommittee was reported to favor the Duncan boundaries because they would result in condemnation of less private property. Duncan has estimated 4,555 acres now under private ownership would be included in his park.

The Neuberger and Udall proposals included about 10,000 acres of private land and would have cost an estimated \$7.5 million for land acquisition, compared to \$1.9 million for the Duncan park.

Partially Deleted
The Neuberger plan would include land south of Ten Mile creek which has been partially developed as an industrial site and additional private property around Washburn, Tahkentic and Siltcoos lakes east of U.S. Highway 101.

The Duncan bill provides public access to those fresh-water lakes, but does not include as many private homes.

Both Duncan and Neuberger bills made unimproved and commercial property subject to condemnation. Residential property cannot be condemned if government-approved zoning ordinances are passed.

The council agreed to set \$4,000 as the maximum the city would pay toward installation of the signal. The city has agreed tentatively to share the cost on a 50-50 basis with Southern Pacific.

The Main st. crossing was the scene of a fatal auto accident last July.

In other action at the meeting, the council discussed its agreement with the South Talent Sanitary district to share cost of expanding the city's sewage treatment plant. The South Talent district proposes to build a sewer system which would use the city's plant for treatment.

Cottle said the final draft of the agreement is now being prepared and should be ready to sign in a few days.

SALEM (UPI)—Three fires, the largest a 15-acre grass blaze in the Klamath district, were reported on state protected forest and rangelands Tuesday. All

Goldwater Urges Sale Price Demand

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.) demanded today that the Soviet Union remove its troops and military equipment from Cuba as "the least price" for buying American wheat.

In a Senate speech, Goldwater said the United States could benefit from the sale of millions of tons of wheat to Russia "provided the price is right."

The Russians should pay the U.S. price for wheat, including the approximately 60 cents a bushel subsidy, he said, "but far more importantly, Mr. Khrushchev should be made to remove immediately—not next year at a political time but immediately—his Soviet troops and military equipment from the island of Cuba."

OSU Receives Grant For Smog Control Study

CORVALLIS (UPI)—Oregon State University has received a \$38,000 grant from the U.S. Public Health Service to help in smog control study.

Bracero Program Gets Return Match

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Rules committee served as the arena today for round one of a bitter return match in the House over the controversial "bracero" program.

The committee was expected to clear for floor action to bill to extend the Mexican migrant workers program for one more year.

The Democratic leadership has not yet decided when to call up the bill for a vote. It could come next week.

On May 29 opponents of the program pulled a stunning upset and convinced the House that the 12-year-old law permitting importation of Mexican farmhands should be allowed to die a natural death on Dec. 31. The vote was 174 to 158.

The chief strategist for the bill conceded recently that the pro-bracero forces were overconfident last spring.

But Rep. E. C. Gathing (D-Ark.) said the result would be different the second time around because of harder work on the part of his group.

Opponents report that increased "pressures" are being brought to bear on doubtfuls by the big western and southwestern growers who favor the program.

One anti-bracero congressman said the situation was "fluid" and that the vote could go either way. A similar statement was made privately by a member of the other group.

A switch of nine votes could have changed the outcome of last May's vote. While it was felt that the 100 absentees were about evenly split on the issue, both sides are working hard to hold their lines firm.

Opponents of the program swayed the House by effectively arguing that the program had

long outlived its purpose as an emergency measure to provide labor during the Korean War. They fought it on moral grounds and charged that it served to deprive American migrants of jobs and to exploit the Mexicans.

They believe that many members, who had been voting for the program in the past on the assurance that it was the last time they would be asked to, finally rebelled.

But Gathing asserted that when the measure comes up again the House will approve it because the members "will know that the fruit and vegetable prices will go up if we don't have the laborers to work the farms."

Opponents reply that there are Americans who will do the work if they receive a decent wage.

The House in May rejected a straight two-year extension approved by the Agriculture committee, which is dominated by farm interests.

proved only a one-year extension.

The Senate narrowly approved a one-year extension—out with several liberalizing amendments that would provide domestic migrants with some of the same protections now guaranteed the Mexicans.

The House Agriculture committee refused to accept these amendments. Opponents feel it is just as well. They believe they have a better chance to defeat that measure than the one passed by the Senate.

Storm Heading Away From U.S.; Villages Gone

Castro Refuses Help of Red Cross

MIAMI (UPI)—Hurricane Flora's Caribbean death toll rose to more than 2,700 known fatalities and another 6,500 were feared lost today as the storm finally moved toward the open Atlantic and away from the U.S. mainland.

Radio reports, intercepted in Miami, added 105 known dead and 4,000 missing in eastern Cuba to previous reports of 2,500 dead and fears for 2,500 others in Haiti and at least 112 other dead in Cuba.

Villages Disappear
In its nine-day rampage through the Caribbean and across the southeastern Bahamas, the hurricane which may turn out to be the most deadly of the 20th Century, also claimed nearly 50 more live in Tobago, Grenada, Jamaica and the Dominican Republic.

A Cuban radio broadcast reported this morning that "two entire villages have disappeared, washed away by the flood waters, and there is fear that 4,000 students and workers have perished."

The villages were not identified.

An earlier broadcast reported 100 coffee pickers drowned in Oriente Province.

Help Refused

Despite Cuba's plight after five days of steady pounding by the hurricane, Premier Fidel Castro turned down offers of aid from the American Red Cross. He called such offers from United States sources "hypocritical."

Although it may be weeks before the full extent of death and damage can be determined, the Miami Weather Bureau said damage in Cuba alone would run into "several hundred millions of dollars."

Haiti counted nearly \$100 million in damages.

Report Against Selling Electric System Presented

ASHLAND—The electric committee of the Ashland city council last night recommended that councilmen turn down an offer from Pacific Power and Light company to buy the city's electrical system for \$2 million.

The report was filed. The council is scheduled to vote on the question next Tuesday.

Emmett Witham, temporary chairman of the committee, presented the five-page report, voicing the opinion that it would be to the economic advantage of Ashland citizens to retain the municipal electric system.

The report said that during the last 10 years, the net income to the city from sale of electricity was approximately \$2,020,000. The committee expressed concern that if the system were sold, this income would be lost after ultimate expenditure of funds from the sale.

The income was brought in by rates comparable to those of PP&L, the report said.

Witham added that with growth of the city, the anticipated income during the next 10 years would approximate \$225,000 annually, rising to a figure of about \$290,000 annually in 20 years.

He pointed to the industrial growth of Eugene and McMinnville, both of which have municipal electrical systems.

He said it was not a question of public versus private ownership, but rather one of the welfare of the entire community.

State Parks Group Slates Meeting In Salem Nov. 1

The Oregon County Parks association will meet Friday, Nov. 1, in the Capitol building in Salem. President Laurance Espey, Medford, reported this morning.

Espey, who is also Jackson county parks and recreation commission chairman, said the conference would emphasize county participation. Each of the county parks groups will be invited to exchange information and present new ideas on parks development.

Harold Schick, Oregon state parks superintendent, will moderate the panel discussion.

Robert Bonney, Multnomah county superintendent of parks and memorials, will explain his county's program of using young people on work projects. Espey said he has proposed the same thing for Jackson county, and will present working plans for it following the conference.

Will Discuss Policies

Charles Collins, Medford, executive vice president of California Oregon Recreation Development association, and immediate past president of the state association, will discuss county policies in relation to other agencies.

Josephine County Commissioner Donald McGregor will report on the September meeting of the National Conference on State Parks in Washington, D. C.

Paul Beistel, Lane county parks director, will report on this summer's educational conference at the University of Oregon. The workshop for recreation personnel will be continued, according to word from the university president.

Other talks will include a welcoming address by Gov. Mark Hatfield; a talk on state recreation development by Glenn Jackson, Medford, Oregon state highway commission chairman; the role private enterprise plays in recreation development. Jim Goggin, Portland; and winter sports, J. F. Eberhart, Ashland.

Tax Referendum Receives Support

PORTLAND (UPI)—A legislator who voted against the tax program adopted by the 1963 state legislature—Rep. Shirley Field (R-Portland)—defended the measure Tuesday.

And Sen. Walter Pearson (D-Portland) who supported the bill during the legislative session, recommended a "no" vote on the \$60 million tax increase which has been referred to the voters.

The two Portland legislators appeared before the Hollywood Lions Club here.

Rep. Field said that by our referendum system a mere 23,000 signatures are able to plunge the state into what she termed "fiscal chaos."

Pearson said he believed a special session of the legislature could make cuts "without hurting anyone very much."

Kennedy Expected To OK Wheat Sale

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Evidence mounted today that President Kennedy would announce late today U.S. willingness to sell government-held surplus wheat to the Soviet Union.

The most significant tip appeared to come from Agriculture Secretary Orville L. Freeman who said in a prepared speech at North Platte, Neb., that he favored the wheat sale to the Soviet bloc if there were "firm offers to buy for dollars." Freeman expressed belief that the American public favors the transaction by about four to one.



REPAIR FREEWAY—A section of Interstate 5 near the Talent exit, measuring about 150 feet, is being replaced and traffic is being detoured during the construction period. The section did not meet state specifications, Don Haller, resident engineer for the state highway department, said today, and it is being re-

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WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight. Considerable cloudiness Thursday with a few rain showers. Low tonight, 43-50. High Thursday 63-70.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 6:11 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:12 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow 12:09 a.m.
Last quarter today 12:28 a.m.
PERMANENT STAR
Polaris, low in south 10:51 p.m.

VISIBLE PLANETS
Jupiter, high in southeast
Saturn, in southwest 12:15 a.m.
Mercury, rises 6:13 a.m.

Bids Called for Tree Planting

Bids for the contract planting of 1,500,000 Douglas fir and Ponderosa pine seedlings, 164,000 of them on the Medford district, have been called for by the Portland office of the bureau of land management.

The bids will be opened at 2 p.m. Oct. 23, in the bureau's field administrative office, room 720, 1002 NE Holladay st., Portland. The mailing address is P. O. Box 3861.

The Douglas firs are two years old. With the pine seedling, they are to be planted on approximately 5,122 acres consisting of 21 separate project areas in Oregon. The project is a continuation of the BLM's annual reforestation program to plant portion of the public domain.

Contractors will be required to furnish tools, equipment, supervision, labor, transportation, supplies and to perform all work incidental to the planting. The planting stock will be furnished by the BLM.

The work is set aside for small business concerns, only. Any contracts awarded for special projects, which may be partially or completely supported by appropriations from Accelerated Public Works Program funds, will require at least 80 per cent performance by residents from the counties concerned. These are Linn, Josephine, Douglas and Wasco.

Gale Warnings Up Along Pacific Coast

PORTLAND (UPI)—The Weather Bureau today hoisted whole gale warnings at 10:30 a.m. from Tatoosh to Cape Blanco on the coast for east to southeast winds increasing to 50 to 60 knots "on projecting headlands and over open water" tonight and early Thursday.

Modern Language Use in Mass Given Nod of Council Fathers

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—Ecclesiastical Council fathers today overwhelmingly approved a series of proposals authorizing introduction of modern languages to replace Latin in large portions of the Mass.

Eight separate amendments to the document on the worship of the church were ratified at today's session of the council by top-heavy majorities.

The largest negative vote on any of the amendments was 96 out of 2,227 votes cast.

Four of the amendments concern the use of vernacular—the everyday language of the people—in the Mass where this is desired by national or regional conferences of bishops. Endorsed Last Fall

Blind Student Assistance Cut

SALEM (UPI)—The monthly maintenance stipend for blind students attending Oregon colleges and universities was eliminated Sept. 23, the Oregon commission for the Blind revealed today.

The cutback was made in expectation the tax measure would be defeated at next Tuesday's election, according to Charles C. Brown, director of rehabilitative services for the commission.

He said "about 10 students were affected, and the cuts ranged from \$90 to \$100 per student." The maximum paid is \$100.

"We felt this was the cut that could most easily be absorbed," he explained.

He said the commission is still paying tuition, allowing funds for texts and training materials, and paying for readers for blind students.

UO Law Students Get Scholarships

EUGENE (UPI)—The Oregon Law School Alumni Association Tuesday announced the award of six \$300 scholarships to first-year law students at the University of Oregon.

Kingsley Planes Compete in Event

PANAMA CITY, Fla.—Planes from Kingsley Air Force base, Klamath Falls, entered their third day of competitive missile and rocket firing today at Tyndall Air Force base, Fla.

Four supersonic F101's from Kingsley field were to attack the third simulated enemy bomber today.

The winners of the 1963 Air Force world-wide fighter meet will be the best air defense unit in the world. Kingsley is pitted against three other F101 squadrons and Portland's 460th fighter squadron, which also flies in Medford area.

Firing results will be reported as tabulations are made.

Four F101's will make a flyover of Medford Oct. 25 in conjunction with Air Force day, officials announced.

Sulphur Water Found at Applegate Campground

Beaver Sulphur campground on the Applegate district of the Rogue River National Forest was correctly named.

There is sulphur in those hills and sulphur water underground, way under, apparently in a natural spring.

A 100-foot well recently drilled by the forest service in its program to improve recreational areas has produced sulphur water. It is mildly flavored, excellent water, pure and tasty, and the well will be maintained as an attraction for the enjoyment of all who visit the camp. The supply is abundant. Carrol E. Brown, supervisor of the forest service, stated.

Beaver Sulphur is located about five miles beyond McKee bridge and is one of the forest service's most popular campgrounds.

The well is one of six drilled by the forest service in camp-

Valachi Testifies On 'Mercy Killing'

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Gangland informer Joseph Valachi testified today that the rulers of the Cosa Nostra callously ordered a "mercy killing" of New Jersey crime boss Willie Moretti because he was mentally ill and becoming talkative.

Valachi also charged that his one-time partner in a loan shark operation, Johnny Roberts (John Ribotto), was a participant in the 1951 Moretti slaying.

The husky voiced former member of the Cosa Nostra told of the Moretti "mercy killing" as he continued his vengeful expose of the crime cartel before the Senate investigations subcommittee.

The forest service contracts for the drilling. The pollution can be corrected by installation of small chlorinators but the forest service prefers to avoid this treatment wherever possible.