

18-Year-Old Boy Wins National Driving Test

WASHINGTON (AP)—You can relax now, men. A steady-nerved 18-year-old boy is the teen-age automobile driving champion. Those girls some men feared might win and humiliate the male race were far behind.

Martin G. Deslites of Longmeadow, Mass., who can drive a car unswervingly down a line and then back straight along it, too, won the first national teen-age Road-to title yesterday with an amazing display of control and driving skill.

He defeated 34 other state champions including two girls — by piling up 801.18 points out of a possible 1,000. That's 27 points better than the runnerup, Milton J. Vavere of Pontiac, Mich.

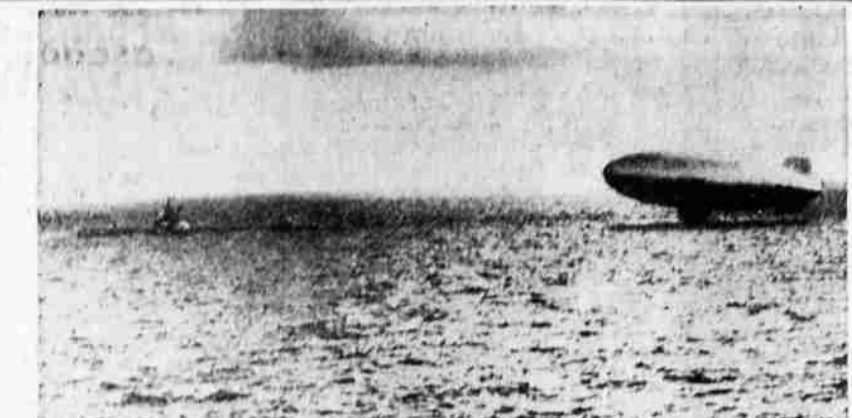
Martin, who has been driving for two years and five months, finished the way a champion should. He started out only so-so on the written tests, but when it came to testing driving skills, he was superb.

He scored 375.70 points out of a possible 400, far ahead of anyone else in this department.

The simplest looking test proved to be the hardest. It consisted of driving on a straight line, and stopping it so that the bumper — and then the wheels — would be inches from a finish line.

Almost all contestants had trouble with this test, as high as two-foot errors of their points here. Deslites was almost perfect.

In the celebrated tennis ball test, in which a driver had to drive a



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Adlai, Ike Share Views On Farm Price Supports

By OVID A. MARTIN

WASHINGTON (AP)—Farmers may find little difference in the views of the two major presidential candidates on the question of price supports for agricultural commodities.

Statements made by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Republican nominee, and Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson, the Democratic standard bearer, at news conferences yesterday indicated that their positions on this issue, when finally outlined, may be quite similar.

Eisenhower, at Kansas City, said in reply to a query that if he were elected there would be no tampering with the price support law. He said he had received no suggestions that supports be lowered.

Stevenson said out the controversy over the Brannan Plan, which Eisenhower and the GOP national platform had sought to tie to the Democrats. The Illinois governor at Minocqua, Wis., said in effect that the Republicans are trying to make the Brannan Plan an issue, were barking up the wrong tree. He said this plan was obsolete, that it had not been endorsed by his party's platform nor recommended by its candidates.

Thus the statements of the rival candidates were open to the interpretation that both endorse the existing farm price support law.

The law requires that basic crops—wheat, corn, cotton, tobacco, rice and peanuts—the supported at not less than 90 per cent of parity—the level in effect this year—during the next two crop years.

It was passed shortly before Congress adjourned last month, with the approval of Democrats and Republicans alike. It has the effect of setting aside, for the next two years, a system of flexible supports which had been criticized by President Truman and Secretary of Agriculture Franz P. Taylor.

The Democratic platform promises to "continue" the top per cent minimum supports beyond the two-year period. Eisenhower's statement that there would be no reduction in price supports could be interpreted as meaning that he too would advocate their continuation.

Parity is a standard for measuring farm prices, declared by law to be equally fair to producers and to those who buy their products.

Present law also requires that some other products — such as dairy products, wool and mohair — be supported at levels ranging from 60 to 90 per cent of parity. Supports for other commodities also are permissible.

Arrangements Completed For 33rd Annual Lakeview Rodeo

LAKEVIEW — Final arrangements were being completed this week for a number of features for the 33rd annual Lakeview Roundup which will be held Aug. 30, 31 and Sept. 1. The show is open to all amateur performers. Walt Leebmann Jr., president of the 1952 show said that arrangements are being made to have the Busa Carson family troupe of special acts performers appear all three days of the show. The troupe, which includes Mr. and Mrs. Carson and their three children, performs acrobatically and novelty roping and riding acts and is widely known at western rodeos.

Plans are also being made for the Salem Riding Club and for the group of Klamath Falls riders who each year in the past have ridden their horses from Klamath Falls to take part. The Tall Blazers, a Klamath girls' riding club, will be performing a special act.

The Roundup stock will be furnished by Don Miller, of Prineville, and will include 16 Brahmins and over 70 head of horses.

Druggist Tells Progressives Of China Reds

HONG KONG (AP)—A Chinese drug store owner who reached Hong Kong from Shanghai said today his store was so firmly in the hands of Communist workers that he had to ask permission to take an aspirin.

The pharmacist is Carl Chang who attended the University of Wisconsin and Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the 1940s. He owned one of the largest dispensaries on Shanghai's famous Avenue Joffre.

He said he got out of the Red-controlled city on the pretext of going to Hong Kong to buy more supplies. Even so it took several weeks to receive an exit permit.

Once here Chang said he has abandoned his home and business and wants no more of communism.

He said his nine workers discovered that by allying themselves with a district unit of the Communist party, they could get control of Chang's drug business after a year. The owner said that while he was making money, he was permitted to take only minimum wages, although he was forced to continue as operator and manager and take all responsibility.

He said the profits did not go to the workers. They went to the Communist party either through forced donations, fines or taxes.

Chang said he continued on his job, hoping for a turn for the better until a government campaign started this year against private owners. After that he said he decided there was no use and got out of China as quickly as he could.

Taxes Near 65 Billion

WASHINGTON (AP)—A record \$64,871,210,298 was collected by the Internal Revenue Bureau in taxes and social security contributions during the fiscal year which ended June 30.

This was about 14 1/2 billion dollars more than in the previous 2 months. In addition, federal agencies other than the revenue bureau took in \$2,364,500,000 for fiscal 1952.

In the 1953 fiscal year, which started July 1, President Truman has estimated collections will total about 75 billion dollars.

These gross figures do not include billions of dollars refunded to taxpayers or set aside for social security payments. Refunds and set-asides in fiscal 1952 cut the figure about \$5,871,000,000. The estimate for fiscal 1953 is expected to drop about \$6,200,000,000 when refunds and set-asides are counted.

Head-On Crash Proves Fatal

COQUILLE (AP)—A head-on collision of two trucks killed Jack Gordon Baker, Bandon, Friday afternoon.

He was driving a truck, carrying wire for the Bonneville Power Administration. Two miles south of here it collided with a cement truck. The cement truck driver, whose name was not learned, escaped serious injury.

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Officials Say Stamp Plan Not Working

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Bureau of Internal Revenue says the law Congress wrote last year to make gamblers pay taxes — a move designed both to put them out of business and to raise revenue — is just not working.

Not much money has been collected in taxes, and gambling is still widespread, it said this week in a monthly actively report reviewing what has happened between the time the law went into effect last November up to the end of fiscal year 1952 on June 30.

The law provided that certain gamblers must register as such and buy a \$50 occupation stamp each year, and then pay a tax amounting to 10 per cent of their total take.

The bureau said in its report of the eight-month period:

"When reviewed in the light of expectations of the legislators, the wagering tax provisions have failed to produce the desired results. . . . It appears that the tax yield in a full year of operations will be about eight million dollars, or 2 per cent of the original estimate of 400 million. As a regulatory measure, the provision may prove equally non-effective."

The report said there had been a "marked decline in large bookmaking operations, (but) considerable activity exists in the field of lottery, such as policy, numbers, baseball pools, etc., which is going untaxed. . . . In the absence of funds to investigate it is difficult to keep pace with violations. . . ."

Philippine Movie Lauded By Enthusiastic Viewers

VENICE, Italy (AP)—An enthusiastically applauding audience three times interrupted the world premier of the Philippine movie, "Genghis Khan," last night at the Venice Film Festival.

The Philippine production, the first ever entered in the Venice festival by the island republic, received the warmest reception of any picture shown last night.

Although few spectators expected the picture to win the grand prize, many touches throughout the film won praise from the movie-wise audience.

"Genghis Khan," which starred 37-year-old Manuel Conde in the title role, was produced last year on a shoe-string budget.

Conde, who also was co-producer of the film, said after the showing: "I don't mind saying that I was nervous through the whole thing. After you have started a picture and worked day in and day out on its production, you lose sight of what the audience reaction will be."

The film was three months in production, Conde said. Its shooting involved techniques far from Hollywood standard. For instance, where scenes required a moving camera a "wheelbarrow" was used to trundle it about. Lighting effects were achieved by jeep headlights. Most of the actors in the movie were amateurs, Conde said.

New Target Shooting Here

A new sort of shooting to the Klamath Country is to set its wings Monday night at the airport when Klamath Rifle and Pistol Club members are to organize a benchrest shooting association.

The shooting method, which has spread throughout the United States, has yet to see an association in Oregon, and local riflemen want to be the first.

The meeting is set for 8 p.m. at the Klamath Rifle Club's range.

LADIES ROW

YONKERS, N. Y. (AP)—The Otis Elevator Company opened a new 180-car parking lot for its employees Friday.

Close to the gate is a "Ladies Row." It has an extra-wide aisle.

Democrats Blast Ike For Stand On Sen. McCarthy

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Democratic leader today accused Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Republican presidential nominee, of placing "party responsibility above any questions of right or wrong."

"This is a peculiar way to lead a crusade," said a statement by Rep. Michael J. Kirwan, of Ohio, chairman of the Democratic National Congressional Committee.

Kirwan's blast was one of a volley of hoots exchanged by leaders of both major parties amid confusion over how much the GOP's presidential election nominees would support Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy of Wisconsin.

Eisenhower and Sen. Richard M. Nixon of California, GOP vice-presidential candidate, in separate statements yesterday pledged support to McCarthy if he is renominated.

Nixon told a reporter in Washington he and Eisenhower, by backing McCarthy, would not necessarily be endorsing his views and methods.

At a Denver news conference,

Police Find Killer's Body

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP)—A search party dragged the body of an expatriate from the body of a Lake Bosarp early today, ending a one-day manhunt through South Sweden for the rambling killer who left a letter confessing the murder of his parents, sweetheart and seven others.

Police said that Hedin killed his parents Thursday night by setting fire to the home in which they lived in the little town of Kvarselev. Next he climbed through a window of an old folks home, nearby Nurva, and split his girl friend's head with an axe.

He also axed the matron of the home and set fire to the institution. Four women and two men died in the blaze.

His body was discovered 75 yards from shore near the spot where a rowboat was found drifting yesterday. Police said his watch had stopped at 4:15 a.m., indicating he drowned himself yesterday morning shortly after writing the letter of confession.

The letter was found in a stolen get-away car he deserted near the lake.

Police quoted Hedin's letter as saying that he killed his parents to protect them from the shock of hearing about his other crimes.

Shakespeare On 'Newsreel'

ASHLAND—The Oregon Shakespearean Festival was in the news originating from the movie capital last Tuesday evening. A tape-recorded interview on the Ashland drama event was broadcast over the Mutual Broadcasting System in Hollywood at 6:15 p.m. (Pacific Daylight Time) Aug. 19, on "The Mutual Newsreel" program.

The five-minute interview program featured Angus Bowmer, founder and producing director of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival, and John Bethencourt, Yale drama student from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Bethencourt, who has two roles in this year's festival, told how he happened to come to the Oregon drama event and Mr. Bowmer related the history of the festival from its founding in 1935 up to the present season. Don Berg was moderator.

"Mutual Newsreel" is one of the most popular news programs on MBS, which has over 500 affiliated stations throughout the United States. The network broadcast on the Shakespearean festival was made possible through the efforts of Miss Dixie McCulloch of Ashland, who is on the Festival's publicity staff, and Copp Collins of the Mutual Broadcasting System in Hollywood.

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