



SAFE BUT HUNGRY. Haggard and gaunt after an all-night search, George Bell, Sr., of Avelia, Pa., holds his son, George, 2, George, lost in the woods for nearly 24 hours in the cold and rain, munches tiredly at a slice of bread.

Summerfield Moves To Take Over Postal Department

By JACK ADAMS

WASHINGTON (AP)—Republican National Committee Chairman Arthur E. Summerfield today began squaring away for a new assignment—the postmaster generalship in the Eisenhower administration.

His appointment to the cabinet was announced late yesterday by President-elect Eisenhower. Summerfield, 53-year-old, highly successful automobile dealer at Flint, Mich., promptly called a news conference here. He announced he will step down from the party chairmanship—although the job of party chairman and postmaster general have been frequently combined—in order to devote full attention to the mail service.

"Subject to confirmation by the Senate," he said, "I will undertake the duties of postmaster general with full vigor and with all the knowledge and enthusiasm which I possess."

"The improvement of all branches of the department and the increase of its morale will be my paramount objectives in the public interest."

In response to questions, Summerfield said his business interests include a couple of directorships in insurance companies, plus a number of companies in which he either owns whole or controlling interest. Principal among these is the Summerfield Chevrolet Company at Flint, one of the largest retail automobile agencies in America.

He said, however, he plans to disassociate himself from all active participation in private business.

When a reporter asked if the Post Office Department does not

purchase large quantities of automobile equipment, Summerfield—chubby, pink-faced and good-natured—joined in a roar of laughter across the room and answered chuckling:

"Yes, I am aware of that."

The new appointee announced he will assemble the Republican committee around inauguration time, Jan. 20, to accept his resignation and choose a new chairman. He said he has not decided whether he will also resign as Republican national committeeman from Michigan.

Summerfield will take over the giant Post Office Department and its 500,000 employees from Jesse M. McDonald, civil service career man in the postal service for 45 years, who was named to the top job by President Truman in 1945.

Donaldson, 67, and with many years of civil service behind him, now has a choice of seeking continued service in a top-rated post office job or taking the full retirement benefits to which he is entitled.

Summerfield, who was made party chairman immediately after the Eisenhower nomination at Chicago and who steered the successful Republican campaign, said the post office appointment came as no sudden surprise, but declined to say when it was first offered him.

He is a native of Pinconning, Mich., completed eight grades of school, and went to work at 13 in industrial plants around Detroit, working for both Buick and Chevrolet.

Subsequently, he was a real estate operator and successful oil distributor in Michigan and founded his retail automobile business in 1929. He belongs to the Masons, Elks, Kiwanis, Detroit Club, Detroit Athletic Club, Committee on Foreign Relations, Economic Club of Detroit, the Flint Golf Club and the Flint City Club.

He and Mrs. Summerfield, the former Miriam W. Grail, have two children, Arthur E. Summerfield Jr. and Mrs. William C. Davidson, both of Flint, and four grandchildren.

Summerfield declined to speculate on who his successor as Republican chairman might be. However, capital talk has included the names of Sinclair Weeks, Massachusetts national committeeman; Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., who was defeated for re-election; Sen. Fred Seaton of Nebraska, who did not seek re-election; and Tom Coleman of Wisconsin, who was floor manager for the Taft forces at the nominating convention.

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New Districts For Air Force

PORTLAND (AP)—Major Gen. Alfred A. Kessler Jr., commanding general of the 4th Air Force, said Tuesday that the West Coast soon will be split into three districts to direct air reserve activities.

Power Goals Fall Short

WASHINGTON (AP)—A 1952 goal of adding nine million kilowatts to the nation's electric generating capacity has been cut by two million kilowatts, a congressional committee reported Wednesday.

The Joint Committee on Defense Production, headed by Sen. Maybank (D-SC), said 1953 additions also are expected to fall one million kilowatts short of the goal of 11 million.

But it noted that the need to electricify had slipped somewhat below the amount expected, and said that except in the Pacific Northwest there should be no shortage of electric power.

Delays in obtaining heavy power equipment and the recent steel strike were cited among reasons for the slowdown in the power expansion program.

In March of this year, the Defense Production Administration set up a power expansion goal of 32 million kilowatts of generating capacity to be added in the years 1952, 1953 and 1954.

This would be added to approximately 75 million kilowatts capacity already existing.

A report of Maybank's committee quoted the Defense Electric Power Administration as saying the 1952 goal reduction "is largely attributable to delay in deliveries of heavy power equipment resulting from the inability of equipment manufacturers to obtain adequate amounts of materials during 1951."

are to be at Portland, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

The Northern district, which will include Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, will be headed by Col. Eugene L. Clark, now commanding officer of the 2343d Air Force Reserve Training Center here.

Lt. Col. Thomas L. Wiper, formerly of Eugene, will succeed Clark.

Spree Ends In Prison Terms

BALTIMORE (AP)—A former OPA investigator who went on a spree with \$5,400 and wound up a week later in the gutter with 37 cents was sentenced to three years in prison yesterday.

William T. Rinn, 47, admitted in court that he stole the money from a Baltimore cab company office where he was cashier. He said he spent a good share of it on a party that moved from Baltimore through Ocean City and Salisbury, on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

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