



TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS for the State Christian Endeavor Convention are, left to right, Earl Mack, chairman; Lyle Steers and Mrs. Fred Beymer. Absent from the picture is Carl Neely. The committee will make transportation available to and from the various sessions of the convention, which will be held here April 29 through May 2. Around 1,000 persons are expected at the convention. Anyone interested who has a car and driver available for an hour or so during the convention is asked to contact the committee.

McKay Gives Timber Ruling

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amendment of right-of-way permit regulations for Oregon and California grant

lands in Oregon was announced Tuesday by Secretary of the Interior McKay.

The change should make it possible to remove damaged timber in 2 1/2 million acres of government land, the secretary said. Permits, specifying the volume

of timber which may be moved over the right-of-way and in the area to be logged, will be issued for three years, subject to one-year extensions.

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Two Charges Face Men

MEDFORD (AP) — Donald Chesley, 18, and James Norman Jensen, 25, accused of the bludgeon death of a Medford woman, were charged also with robbery Tuesday.

This permitted law enforcement officials to hold them on a formal charge while the slaying case is presented to the grand jury, which convened Wednesday.

The two men are accused of forcing their way into the home of Hugh Hill early Saturday and taking \$15 from him, and then killing Mrs. Hill as she slept.

Chesley gave himself up a few hours after the slaying. Jensen, who was paroled from San Quentin prison in California April 19, was captured Saturday evening in the Prospect area.

Chesley said Jensen struck Mrs. Hill. Jensen said he doesn't remember what happened.



Governors To Be Briefed On U.S. Economic Status

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eisenhower administration specialists arranged to brief state and territorial governors today on the nation's economic condition and there were advance indications Democrats would ask some pointed questions.

Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan, where the auto industry has been hard-hit by layoffs, said in an interview he intended to ask whether the administration has any plans for combatting unemployment. "I've been asking for some time, and I shall keep on asking," he said.

Gabriel Hauge, President Eisenhower's administrative assistant for economic affairs, and Chairman Arthur F. Burns of Eisenhower's Council of Economic Advisors, were due to give the state executives the administration view on the current business picture during the second and final day of closed-door discussions.

Attending the conference are governors of the 48 states and the territories of Alaska, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

The administration claims unemployment is leveling off and that there is reason to hope that business will improve later this year. But some Democrats have contended that if the jobless trend has not abated, there is no sign yet of an employment pickup. The latest government count of unemployed is 3,723,000.

Labor unions have urged the administration to launch a federal spending program to provide

but President Eisenhower has said present conditions don't warrant any slam-bang emergency measures that might interfere with a normal, expected recovery.

Other scheduled speakers today were Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey, Budget Director Rowland Hughes, Henry Cabot Lodge, U. S. ambassador to the U. N., and Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson.

Yesterday Vice President Nixon reportedly told the conference the administration is reluctant to send U. S. troops to aid beleaguered French Union forces fighting Communist-led rebels in Indochina but that "we can't let those so and so's (the Russians) know it."

MAIN SPEAKER at the State Christian Endeavor Convention to be held here April 29 through May 2 is the Rev. Hartzell Cobbs, minister of Boise Christian Church for 10 years. His Boise pastorate is his only one since graduation from Northwest Christian College at Eugene. This church reportedly has the largest Sunday School of any church in the state and has taken the lead in the establishment of new churches. Sunday morning services are broadcast and weekday broadcasts are at 9 a.m. The Rev. Cobbs will address the convention at four main assemblies and at the junior convention.

Crack Endangers Panama Canal

PANAMA Canal Zone (AP) — A widening crack in a rock ledge near the top of 415-foot-high Contractor's Hill in the Gaillard Cut of the Panama Canal has "the potential" of causing a slide which could block the waterway, officials said tonight.

A spokesman for the canal authorities said: "There is no reason to believe the hillside is going to fall, right away, but the Panama Canal Co. does not depreciate the fact the crack in the hillside has the potential."

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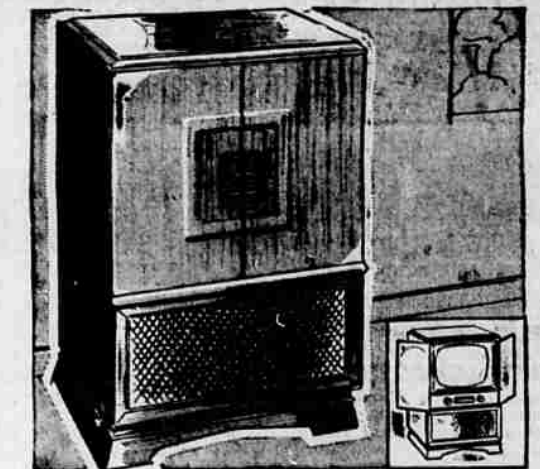
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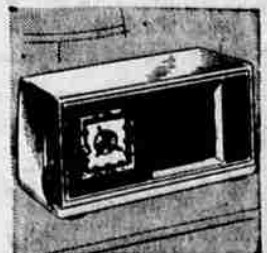
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