

MODOC COUNTY SMASHUP KILLS 5

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
 These words are written on Tuesday, October 5. Four weeks from today will be election day. The biggest political question in Oregon as of now, I'd say, is who will be our next U.S. senator?
 The race is between Guy Cordon, able, quiet, sincere, hard-working, effective incumbent, and Dick Neuberger, colorful, fluent, flamboyant challenger.
 Who will win?
 I wouldn't know. I'm no seventh son of a seventh son. The general impression at the moment is that big Multnomah county will go for Neuberger and that the rest of the state will go (as a whole, with various exceptions here and there) for Cordon.
 Sketchy polls that have been taken tend to confirm this opinion.

For a slant on what might happen on the second day of next month, let's go back to 1936 when Senator McNary—able, quiet, sincere, hard-working, effective incumbent—was challenged by Willie Mahoney, who was colorful, flamboyant and wordy.
 McNary stood on his record—as Cordon is doing now.
 Mahoney embraced a fascinating ISM—Townsendism.

Back in 1936, Townsendism was an issue to conjure with. We were still floundering in the bogs of depression. Everybody was sour and disillusioned. Townsendism offered the glittering promise of SECURITY FOR EVERYBODY—with funny money.
 Don't think the appeal of it wasn't great.
 It was.

McNary had no panaceas to offer. He just ran on his record—which was a GOOD record. He had to leave the glamor to Mahoney who was a splendid promoter.

In 1936, Mahoney promised Townsendism—make everybody rich with funny money.
 In 1954 Neuberger is promising Big Government Do Everything for Everybody—with funny money.

What happened back in 1936? McNary won.
 It is true that he won by a narrow squeak. This was the vote: McNary 199,332; Mahoney 193,822.
 It should perhaps be mentioned that in the final pinch Multnomah county, which had been expected to go for Mahoney and Townsendism, went for McNary by a vote of approximately 75,000 to 70,000.

Why didn't Mahoney win in 1936—as was generally expected?
 This, I think, is the reason:
 It's a serious moment when one walks into the voting booth and realizes that after all the hoop and the hurrah and the ballyhoo this is IT. I don't believe ANYBODY can escape the sense of RESPONSIBILITY that comes when one faces the printed ballot lying there on the shelf before him and picks up the pencil to mark his choices and realizes that individually it's up to him and this is for keeps.

That sense of responsibility at that last moment in the voting booth is what makes democracy work. Oregon's people have always had a deep sense of political responsibility.

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AWOL GI's Jump Over Road Blocks

LEWISTON, Idaho (AP)—Police arrested two young men Monday who they said walked away from an Army stockade at Hanford, Wash., stole an airplane and took a leisurely flight over road blocks set up below.

Detective Lt. Raymond Rainville identified the pair as Duane Frederick McMahon, 22, of Clarkston, Wash., and Raymond Whaley, 18, Buhl Idaho. They were arrested in a hotel here.

Rainville gave this account: McMahon and Whaley were trustees at the stockade. Last Saturday they went to the supply room and got some civilian clothes that had been checked in by other prisoners. They hid them in a trash barrel.

On Sunday they put on the clothes and walked out through the gates. An alarm went out and police set up road blocks on the highways.

McMahon and Whaley went to the Richland airport and spent the night in a light Stinson 105 plane. The next morning, with McMahon at the controls, the two flew off to Clarkston as police checked cars on the highway below.

Rainville said McMahon got in touch with his wife and son at Clarkston and took them for a ride in the airplane. They later went to a Lewiston hotel where Whaley also had a room, he said.

The detective said neither offered any resistance and that both were being held for Army authorities.

Legislature's Agenda Full

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon Legislature's committee on statutes and revisions already has received 131 requests for drafting bills although the 1955 session is three months away.

Sam Haley, legislative counsel, said Tuesday the requests are from legislative interim committees, individual legislators and state departments. Interim committees, which asked for more than half of the draftings, submitted proposals covering subjects they have been studying.

Haley predicted that more bills will be ready for introduction than at any previous session. That would permit legislative committees to get down to work a week or more earlier than in 1953.

The statute revision committee is compiling a report covering defects in the revised code and 1953 laws which there have been court interpretations. It will be submitted to the Legislature with recommendations.

9 O'clock Special



VERN PRIOR, a former OTI student and now employed by the city street department, was working on a job on North Sixth when the cameraman dropped by this morning. Vern lives at 1420 Etna.

Wet Weather Moving West

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
 It was wet and cool over the mid-continent and Western areas Tuesday while mild weather prevailed over most of the South and East.

Pain fell during the night in a belt from the eastern slopes of the Rockies eastward across Nebraska parts of Kansas and South Dakota, Northern Illinois Missouri and into Indiana.

Scattered showers also were reported in the lower Rio Grande Valley and in the far Southwest. The cool air extended over the Northern tier of states from the Rockies to the Eastern Great Lakes region and southward into the Texas Panhandle and the Central Mississippi Valley. Temperatures were below freezing in sections of Montana and North Dakota.

Generally fair skies prevailed in California but it was mostly cloudy in Washington and Oregon.

JUNKET

TOKYO (AP)—Foreign Minister Katsuo Okazaki left for Brazil Tuesday on a 24-day goodwill junket to South America and the United States.

He hopes to discuss problems of emigration, trade, cultural exchange and extension of air line service between Japan and the Western hemisphere.

NYC Docks Crippled By ILA Walkout

NEW YORK (AP)—A strike by longshoremen in a wage dispute tied up the world's largest and busiest port Tuesday for the second time in six months.

Tugboats still were operating and big liners were able to dock, but there was nobody to unload the cargoes.

There was no immediate prospect of a settlement between the International Longshoremen Assn. (ILA), independent, and the New York Shipping Assn., representing steamship lines and stevedoring firms.

Baltimore and other East Coast ports laid plans to handle cargoes expected to be diverted from New York as they were during a 29-day walkout last March and April.

The American Export liner Independent, first large ship to arrive since the strike started Monday night, berthed without difficulty. Tugs towed her to the pier where non-longshore employees of the company handled the lines and the passengers' luggage.

QUEEN IN
 The Cunard liner Queen Mary docked later in a similar manner.

John F. Gehan, vice president of the American Export Line, arriving on the Independence from a Mediterranean vacation, told newsmen a long strike would mean permanent loss of port business.

Police, mounted and on foot, patrolled the waterfront.

All 159 piers along the port's 350-mile waterfront except military docks in Brooklyn and Staten Island appeared to be hit by the strike.

Strikers, wearing hastily scribbled sandwich signs reading, "ILA officially on strike", picketed all piers at which ships were berthed, with the exception of military piers exempted from the strike.

UNION OUSTED
 The ILA, an independent union since it was ousted by the AFL more than a year ago allegedly dominated by racketeers, was certified last August as sole bargaining agent for the port's 25,000 longshoremen.

Since then the ILA has been negotiating for a retroactive pay increase back to Oct. 1, 1953, when its last contract expired. It demanded that wages, which now amount to \$2.27 an hour, be upped eight cents and the employers' welfare contribution be increased from five to seven cents an hour.

The shipping association, representing 17 steamship and stevedore firms, made its final offer to the union Monday, agreeing to pay the eight-cent wage increase back to Oct. 1, 1953, and a two-cent welfare boost back to April 1, 1954. However, it required that this be coupled with a new contract extending to Oct. 1, 1956.

Union leaders quickly rejected the offer and voted to strike.

Prize Bull Goes Berserk On TV

TULSA, Okla. (AP)—Reford Stout of Orlando, member of the Future Farmers of America, was being interviewed about his champion bull in a live telecast over KOTV at the fair here.

Evidently the camera had moved too close, the lights were too bright and announcer Jack Alexander looked too unfriendly.

The bull made a lunge and Alexander dropped the microphone and ran. Fair public relations man Arnold Young picked up the mike and gave a play-by-play description, but the bull turned and grounded him in the end zone, tipping his trousers.

The telecast went unannounced until Stout and his companions brought the star animal under control.

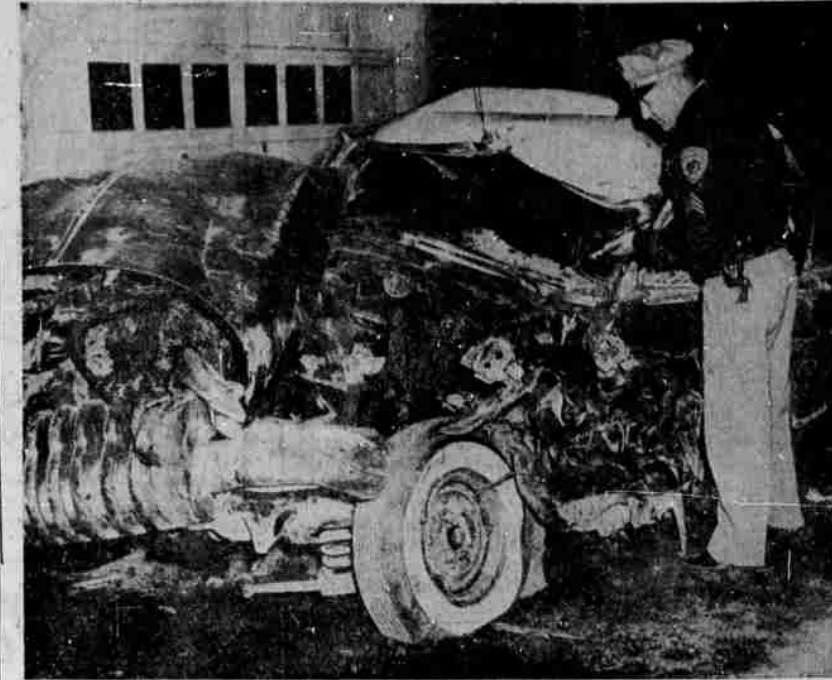
SPEAKERS
 SPOKANE (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Benson and Secretary of the Interior McKay will both speak at the National Grange convention here Nov. 10-19.

Benson will address a Grange banquet Nov. 18 and McKay will speak at a general session Nov. 12. Other speakers will include Joseph Beirne, vice president of the VIO and C. Clement French, president of Washington State College.

Defendants Win Decision In Malpractice Suit Here

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg rendered a decision Tuesday for the defendants in a \$14,000 malpractice action against Dr. Raymond H. Engeleke, prominent Klamath Falls surgeon, and the Klamath Medical Service Bureau, operator of Klamath Valley Hospital.

The suit, tried last week before Judge Vandenberg without a jury, was brought by Robert A. Smith of Bandon, Oregon, who claimed he was improperly treated and forced to leave the Klamath Falls hospital when he ran out of funds.



DEATH STRUCK FIVE TIMES when a truck and a hardtop convertible crashed head-on, one mile and a half south of Tulelake on Highway 139 Monday night. At top, Sgt. H. L. Wright of the California Highway Patrol, is shown inspecting the twisted wreckage of the hardtop. Below, D. R. Simpson, Jr., Tulelake volunteer ambulance driver, views the truck wreckage. Two persons also were critically injured in the accident.

Car Piles Into Truck Near Tule

TULELAKE — Five persons are dead and two others in critical condition following one of the worst highway traffic accidents in this area in recent years.

The dead from a head-on collision Monday night between a truck and a hardtop convertible on Highway 139 one and a half miles south of Tulelake, were: Clifford Brown, 50, potato contractor.

Ina Bell Thornhill, 21, George Coffield, 35, Mrs. Donna Brown, 35.

All of the dead were residents of the Bakersfield, California area, and had been working during the potato harvest near Tulelake for several years. The bodies were taken to O'Hair's Memorial Chapel in Klamath Falls.

The injured were Lenora Parker, 30, Ventura, California, and R. L. Thornhill, believed to be the husband of Ina Bell Thornhill. They are in critical condition at Klamath Valley Hospital, Klamath Falls.

According to Sgt. H. L. Wright of the California highway patrol, and Gerald (Red) Wilson, Siskiyou county coroner, the Coffield brothers were traveling south in a 1954 truck and the other victims were in a northbound hardtop convertible. The accident occurred near Siskiyou County line in Modoc County.

The officers said the hardtop, at a high rate of speed, on the wrong side of the highway, crashed head-on into the truck. The impact was so great that the crash could be heard a mile from the scene. The engine from the truck was hurled 65 feet from the point of impact into a ditch at the side of the highway. The front wheels of the truck were ripped from the frame and catapulted into a yard on the opposite side of the highway. The hardtop was reduced to a pile of twisted junk.

With bodies strewn about the highway, traffic was held up one hour for a mile in each direction while officers made a preliminary investigation of the collision. It took two hours to extricate the bodies of Mrs. Thornhill and Brown from the wreckage.

Within a short time after the fatal crash another car plunged into a dry irrigation ditch half mile away. C. J. Townsend, Anchor Hotel, Klamath Falls, was taken to Klamath Valley Hospital suffering cuts and bruises. Four other occupants of the car escaped injury.

They were Ernest Laddner, P. M. Henderson, Dean Acuff and Willie Owens, all residents of the Newell Labor Camp.

Injured in the wreck were taken to Klamath Valley Hospital by the Tulelake ambulance. Kale's ambulance took the bodies to O'Hair's.

Freak Accident Injures Woman

MALIN — Mrs. Eileen (Patrick) O'Connor, 47, Box 735, Malin, is in Klamath Valley Hospital, the victim of an unusual potato harvest accident this morning.

Mrs. O'Connor, employed on the Allen Prescott harvesting crew was working on the Rudy Jelinek ranch on the Poe Valley Road north of town.

Apparently she was standing behind a pickup truck driven by George Smalley, Malin rancher, who was assisting with the work. Smalley backed up the pickup, running over Mrs. O'Connor, in the confusion of shouts by eye witnesses, Smalley drove ahead, running over the victim the second time.

She was brought to Klamath Valley Hospital by the Tulelake Ambulance. Extent of her injuries were not known, pending X-rays.

KASRU Slates Deer Fly-In

Klamath Air Search and Rescue Unit has scheduled its first deer hunt-fly-in for Sunday, October 10, at the Pinhurst strip between Klamath Falls and Ashland.

In making the announcement, Ben Burgess, flying chairman of KASRU, commented that the Pinhurst strip, about 30 air miles from Klamath Falls, lies in the heart of the black tail deer country.

Complete arrangements have been made to take care of the flying deer hunters. Breakfast, lunch and dinner or groceries may be bought at McVey's Mountain View store near the strip. Fire permits, which are required to hunt in that area, may be secured after arrival.

Ned and Leonard Putnam and Earl Shearer will have trucks and equipment there to take care of the deer that are killed. Hunters must have their Oregon licenses and deer tags, however.

This is the last scheduled fly-in for KASRU for the season, Burgess stated, and flyers from all over Oregon and northern California are expected. Those wishing to go over Saturday night should bring sleeping bags, he added.

Weather Crippled Ship Lands Safely

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy through Wednesday. Low Tuesday night 37, high Wednesday 66.

High yesterday 68
 Low last night 33
 Precipitation last 24 hours 0
 Since Oct. 1 0
 Same period last year 0.03
 Normal for period .14

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Eleven men threw all their baggage into the ocean and even tossed out parts of the plane in helping a Navy patrol bomber limp on one of its two engines for half of the 2,400 miles from Honolulu.

The plane landed safely yesterday at Half Moon Bay, south of here.

At that, the fliers heard the one good engine sputter 400 miles out when the Neptune was 1,000 feet above the Pacific. Only a quick adjustment of fuel mixture prevented a crash into the sea.

The port engine caught fire when the Neptune was 50 miles beyond the halfway "point of no return." The pilot, Lt. Robert E. Combs, 25, of Denver, feathered the engine and the wind blew out the tire.

Golfers Urged To 'Be Like Ike'

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Be like Ike. That's President Eisenhower's pastor's sermon for today to Sunday golfers.

The Rev. Edward L. R. Elson of the National Presbyterian Church, Washington, here for a speech, told newsmen yesterday: "The average Sunday golfer should be smitten in his conscience by the reflection that President Eisenhower, himself an avid golfer, finds Sunday church attendance indispensable to his life."

Tour

LONDON (AP)—Twenty labor party politicians and trade union officials left Tuesday for a five-week tour of Communist China.

Their leader, parliament member Ellis Smith, said they were traveling as individuals and not as official delegates of their organizations.



GUESTS AT THE HOTEL DE BUSH were a careless lot last Sunday when they checked out and left their campfire still smoldering in the tinder-dry woods near Kings Cabin northeast of Chiloquin. The smoke was reported by an alert hunter and Hal Ogle (right), KFPA superintendent, checked up and found the still hot fire. A neighboring camp had also left a hot fire. The party was thought to be from west of the mountains. Frank Hamilton, district supervisor of fire wardens and inspectors, was with Hal when they looked over the sign at headquarters here following the opening of deer season.



PACKETS MUST BE FILLED for the many volunteer workers who will canvass the county for donations to the United Fund-Red Cross drive October 20 to 30. Helping stuff the envelopes this year were members of the Girl Scouts, an agency of United Fund. Among the young workers were, from the left, Jane Oviatt, Judy Purser and Dixie VanHook.