

PATTERSON ENTERS SENATE RACE

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
The weather in the Bay Area this week has left quite a little to be desired. Among its other antics, it has broken the ancient 21-days-in-a-row rain record, established during the last wet cycle, which has hitherto been the mark for comparison. But, as a topic for conversation, the weather has had to take a back seat for the Abbott case in the long, dark days when the jury has been deliberating.

The papers have been devoting about half their front sections to it every day, and it has provided small talk for every gathering of every kind.

The jury finally came in last night, and today the town is buzzing with comment. In general, the verdict is accepted as about the only one possible under the circumstances.

All I can say is that I'm glad I wasn't a member of the jury. Condemning a human being to death is serious business. Somehow it seems more serious when there is no direct evidence.

Circumstantial evidence, of course, can be damning. And it is a notorious fact that human beings can be VERY inexact in their observation. All newspaper reporters are occupationally aware of the fact that when a dozen people see something happen there are likely to be at least a dozen versions of what happened.

Still, if one is sitting on a jury and faces the terrible responsibility of sending a human being to the gallows or the electric chair or the gas chamber it is comforting indeed to have someone step up into the witness box and testify that he saw the deed and recognizes the defendant as the one who did it.

That helps at night when the poor devil of a juryman needs to get some sleep.

One of the ruggest jobs in this Abbott case was held by a slight, quiet, scholarly-looking gentleman named Thomas. He was the alternate, the 13th juror. I hope he isn't superstitious, because in the course of the long trial there was a 13th Friday. In addition, he is the father of a 13-year-old son.

I hope no black cats ran across his path when he was out taking his exercise and I trust that he'll sleep under noadders. It's bad enough to be a 13th juror, serving in a month with a 13th day that falls on a Friday in a year when his son was aged 13.

Punishment of a capital crime is serious business. Suppose death is the proper penalty for brutal crimes, such as the murder of this little girl. There is certainly no place in a decent world for people who are so put together as to be capable of doing such things. But condemning a human being to die is a hard job to have to tackle as a civic duty.

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Ike Rejects Bulganin 'Treaty'

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower rejected Russia's proposed "friendship" treaty Saturday. He told Premier Nikolai Bulganin that a "change of spirit" and not a mere "stroke of the pen" is needed to promote world peace.

Bulganin had written Eisenhower that present world tensions are "fraught with the possibility of breaking the peace," and plunging nations into atomic war.

It would be "an act of great international significance" for peace, he said, if the United States and Russia would sign a treaty pledging (1) to settle disputes peacefully in conformity with the United Nations charter, (2) non-interference in each other's affairs and (3) to strengthen economic, cultural and scientific cooperation.

Courteously but firmly, Eisenhower replied that "it is deeds and not words alone which count." Such a pact as Bulganin proposed, he said, "might indeed work against the cause of peace" by creating the illusion that all is well.

Eisenhower challenged Bulganin in a personal letter to join in "prompt measures" to unify Germany, and the threat of atomic war, free Russia's satellite states and abolish the Iron Curtain.

Under the European security proposal, military alliances of both East and West would be abolished. The declaration proclaimed that in the preliminary stage only a portion of the European states would be included, but the Soviet Union, Britain, France and the United States would have membership.

The declaration also urged creation of a zone in Europe in which the strength of rival armed forces would be agreed upon. This was a proposal of Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov at the Foreign Ministers Conference in Geneva last fall.

Soviet Marshal Ivan S. Konev was confirmed as commander in chief of the unified forces and a communique indicated each of the nations had a deputy to serve under him. It named East Germany's defense minister, Willi Stoph, as "one of the deputy commanders."

CHINA'S BLESSING
Red China gave its blessing to the anti-NATO organization through the presence of its official observer delegation.

The avowed purpose of admitting East Germany to full membership was stated in a speech by Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov, who called upon the Eastern bloc to combat what he called the "aggressive" policy of NATO.

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George and Bridges joined a number of other Congress members of both parties in applauding President Eisenhower's reply rejecting the Soviet leader's proposal.

George described Eisenhower's letter as "a most excellent example of moderation and sincerity." Bridges said it is a document of great historical significance, phrased with consummate skill, and "should give immediate new hope, courage and determination to the free and enslaved world alike."

After inheriting the office from McKay, Patterson served two years before seeking election to a four-year term. This was the first time he ever ran for statewide office.

In the 1954 primary, he easily won the nomination, beating Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury 146,211 to 51,991.

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Oregon Governor Seeks Morse Post

SALEM (AP)—Republican Gov. Paul Patterson of Oregon announced Saturday he would run for the U. S. Senate seat held by Democrat Wayne Morse.

Patterson, who inherited the governorship Dec. 17, 1952, when ex-Gov. Douglas McKay was appointed secretary of the Interior, is a staunch supporter of President Eisenhower.



GOV. PAUL PATTERSON



SENATOR WAYNE MORSE

Morse also will seek re-election. He was elected in 1944 and 1950 as a Republican, but became a Democrat after the election of President Eisenhower.

Patterson's statement said: "I will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for United States senator."

Wilcox To Quit Agency Job
Earle R. Wilcox announced today his resignation as forest manager of the Klamath Indian Agency, effective January 27.

He has accepted a position as forestry consultant with the management specialists, T. B. Walters, E. C. Faxon and W. L. Phillips, who are directing the termination of federal jurisdiction of the Klamath Indian Reservation under Public Law 587.



EARLE R. WILCOX

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PORTLAND (AP)—Some relief from the snow and ice that gripped northwestern Oregon for some three days appeared in the offing Saturday night.

Mothers' March
"Forelight Night" will be staged by the mothers of Klamath Falls Tuesday night between 7 and 8 p.m. as a part of the March of Dimes, said Mrs. Lela Woods, chairman of the event, Saturday.

Red German Army Joins Soviet Bloc
PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP)—Soviet Russia and her East European satellites formally took East Germany's new Communist army into their Warsaw Pact Military Alliance Saturday night.



THIS MARCH OF DIMES STEER was donated to the polio fund drive by Ben and Mable Henzel of the Lost River Ranch. The steer will be auctioned at the Klamath Stockmen's Commission Co. yards on the Midland Road Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. with all the proceeds going to the March of Dimes. The person buying the steer may have it cut up and wrapped free of charge by Carl Woods of Carl's Superior Meats in Griggs Grocery. The stockmen's commission will donate a lamb to be auctioned and Del Stepp will offer a hog as will Tulana Farms. Tom Grigsby's Smokehouse and Trulove's Market will each give a side of bacon to be auctioned for the polio fund.

'Friendship' Pact Vetoed By US Chief
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Senator Sees 'Kindly' Note
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Smith Judge Gives Warning
SAN JOSE, Calif. (UP)—The judge hearing the legal battle over custody of three-year-old Susan Smith has warned both sides that the case must be finished Tuesday or he will have to postpone it.

Weather
FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: partly cloudy Sunday and Monday with a few snow flurries both days. Continued cold. High Sunday 34, low Sunday night 10, High Saturday 32, Low at midnight Saturday 9

Morse Levels Danger Charge
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Coakley Plans Perjury Raps
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BOB EGGE, left, manager of the Sears, Roebuck store, and Jim Parker, electrical department manager, talked over plans for the days business yesterday morning as the 9 o'clock photographer came by.

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No Skating At Moore Park
Due to snow removal difficulties, there will be no skating today at Moore Park, city Recreation Director Bob Honney reported yesterday afternoon.

HAIRDRESSERS
SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—Do Californians get in peoples' hair? Could be. California has more licensed hairdressers—51,077—than any other state.