

Turn On Your Porchlights Tonight—Mothers' March On Polio

EDEN, LIKE BOSS FAR EAST



ONE OF THESE THREE contestants for queen of the Sweethearts' Ball, to be held at the armory February 11, will be crowned during the festivities, to be conducted from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The ball is sponsored by the Omega Epsilon Rho fraternity. Money gathered from the dance will go toward a scholarship at OTI for office machine students. The trio of beauties from left to right are Ina Ferro, Arleta Blair and LaVerne Loop.

Father Gone After Tragedy

PENDLETON (AP)—Search was widened Tuesday for a distraught father who vanished after breaking the news to his wife that three of their 10 children had burned to death.

The father, Chester O'Neal, left St. Anthony's Hospital here shortly after 8 a.m. Monday. Relatives and friends said Tuesday morning they had not seen him since.

His wife, at the hospital where she was delivered of their 10th child Saturday, said he talked of going back to Arkansas for there was "nothing left for him" here.

The family used to live at Seilom Springs, Ark., and O'Neal, a carpenter, also once worked at Tulsa, Okla., as a cab driver, police said.

An alert to police of other states had failed to turn up a report of his car, however, State Police Sgt. N. W. Smith said.

Meanwhile the surviving children were at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Donald Lusk at nearby Adams, Red Cross officials, aiding in caring for the children, said they hoped the father would get in touch with them for further plans for help to the children.

The boy and two girls, ages 6, 7 and 8, who died in the fire west of here, were in the bedroom of the three-room frame house which burned while the father was helping two older boys deliver newspapers.

Mothers' March

"Porchlight Night," the annual Mothers' March on polio, will be staged tonight from 7 to 8 o'clock in the Klamath Falls area.

This is a nationwide event of the March of Dimes. All housewives of Klamath Falls who wish to contribute to the March of Dimes are asked to put their porchlights on between those hours. A mother in the city will call on the houses and collect the contributions to the anti-polio fund.

All contributions are to be turned in at the Eagles Lodge, Ninth and Walnut streets.

House Favors Farm Gas Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House voted 387-0 Tuesday to give farmers a 60-million-dollar annual tax saving by exempting them from paying the federal tax of 2 cents a gallon on gasoline used on their farms.

Proposed by President Eisenhower as one of the nine points of his farm relief program, the bill was passed by a roll-call vote with both Democrats and Republicans seeking to claim credit.

The bill now goes to the Senate.

The tax exemptions apply to gasoline and special fuels used for "farming purposes," but not to fuel used on the highway.

The President also asked Congress to waive taxes on lubricating oil, but the House Ways and Means Committee passed over this recommendation on grounds the bookkeeping was not worth the inconsequential savings involved.

Farmers will pay the tax when buying gasoline but can file claims with the Treasury for refunds. The claim period was set at June 30, Sept. 30 of each year, with initial refunds to be made for the first six months of this year.

Abbott Set For Sentence

OAKLAND, Calif. (UP)—Alameda County authorities said today they are ready to move Burton W. Abbott to San Quentin prison as soon as he is sentenced.

Abbott will appear at 10 a.m. Friday before Superior Judge Charles Wade Snook. His attorneys, Stanley Whitney and Harold Hove, will present motions to set aside the verdict and for a new trial.

Judge Snook may hear the defense motions and arguments immediately and make a ruling from the bench. Or he may set a new date for further argument and ruling.

If he denies the motions, he will then sentence Abbott, 27, to death for kidnapping and for murdering 14-year-old Stephanie Bryan on April 28.

Abbott will leave immediately for death row in San Quentin. Prison authorities said they are making no special arrangements to receive Abbott, since 14 of the 34 cells on death row are unoccupied.

Sheriff H. P. Gleason said Abbott has eaten and slept well since a jury returned a verdict last Wednesday finding him guilty. He spent the weekend reading his mail and playing pinochle with other prisoners.

Ten Persons Die In Crash

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)—Venezuelan officials said Tuesday 10 persons including four U.S. citizens aboard a private two-engine plane were killed when the craft crashed Saturday in the rugged Capaya Mountains.

The plane disappeared while preparing to land at Higuerote, a Caribbean port 55 miles east of Caracas. Air searchers said Monday they had spotted a plane on a mountainside southwest of Higuerote.

Those aboard included the American pilot, Capt. Charles C. Baughan, 55; his wife, Mary, formerly of Shelbyville, Ky.; Malcolm J. Edgerton, 70, and Mrs. Edgerton, 60, of Stamford, Conn., and New York.

Baughan, a native of Georgia, came to Venezuela in 1947 to help develop civil aviation. Edgerton is a member of the New York stock brokerage firm of Green, Ellis & Anderson. Mrs. Edgerton served three terms in the Connecticut House of Representatives. The Edgertons were on a South American vacation.

Removal of the bodies from the wreckage was to begin Tuesday.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Wednesday except morning fog. Lows Tuesday night 9-5 below. Highs 25-30.

High yesterday 20

Low last night 4

Precip. last 24 hours 0

Precip. since Oct. 1 15.35

Same period last year 3.75

Normal for period 6.75

Cattle Death Probe Planned

LAKEVIEW — U.S. Rep. Sam Cohn has arranged for the Atomic Energy Commission to investigate the strange death of cattle, birds and predators on the east slope of Hart Mountain during a snowstorm last May, according to word received here today.

The inspection notice was received by the Maurice Murphy ranch at Adel from the field headquarters of the AEC at Albuquerque and Lt. Edward Johnson will make the inspection on February 4.

Sudden death visited a comparatively small area on the refuge during the snowstorm but the storm did not do any damage elsewhere although it was general over Werner Valley and Hart Mountain. The cattle grazing in a small area, numerous birds and some predatory animals were killed in the course of a few hours.

Demos Rap GOP Sarena Charge

By FRANK W. VAILLE

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Republican contention that a Bureau of Land Management (BLM) mineral examiner is "the bird that's been in the bush" who brought Democratic criticism Tuesday to a congressional committee renewed its inquiry into the grant of 15 Southern Oregon mining patents to Al Sarena Mines Inc.

The contention was voiced by Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich.) in referring to Elton M. Hattan, BLM mineral examiner who recommended against grant of 15 of the 23 patents sought by the company in the Rogue River National Forest. His adverse recommendation was upheld by BLM in 1951.

Referring to Hoffman's assertion and an earlier statement by Clarence A. Davis, Interior Department undersecretary, that Hattan was "obviously hostile" to mining claims on forested lands, Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore.) said Hattan was "obviously being made a goat."

He defended Hattan as a "respected resident of my state" and said "the attacks are indeed very unfair."

Hoffman said he would "apologize and withdraw the word 'bird' and substitute gentleman" but otherwise stand by his contention. He said he would "concede" that Hattan was "motivated by an effort to protect the Forest Service" but that the examiner "apparently feels minerals must be shown to have more value than timber and that isn't the law."

Davis, back on the stand for the second day, said he hadn't meant "to imply any prejudice in any bad sense of the word." He said that from reading Hattan's reports, however, he had gotten the impression his "mind was definitely concerned with several things which have nothing to do with the grant of mining patents."

Sen. Goldwater (R-Ariz.) said Hattan's report also had "put a question in my mind." He referred to testimony that only two of the 23 claims showed any mineral value and that six of the samples showed nothing although taken up on claims which have produced between \$30,000 and \$40,000 in gold in various mining operations since 1897.

As the hearing recessed, Davis was being examined by William H. Courn, committee counsel, concerning the role of Rep. Ellsworth (R-Ore.) in behalf of the Sarena company.

The department official said that "never at any time was he Ellsworth urging anything more than that we get a dependable assay" and settle the long-standing appeal.

A joint House-Senate subcommittee inquiring into the Department's 1954 action heard Davis last Thursday testify, in effect, that he had no alternative under mining law but to take the action which he did as department solicitor at that time.

Democrats have been critical of the grant on the ground it gave the company title to valuable timber stands. Republicans say the Democratic criticism is an attempt to "smear" the Eisenhower administration with an eye to this fall's elections.

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Crash Injuries Kill ANG Commander

NOME, Alaska (AP)—Alaska's National Guard commander died in a Nome hospital Monday night a few hours after his heroic rescue from a barren mountainside on which his plane crashed Friday with four aboard.

Brig. Gen. John R. Noyes, 54, succumbed to injuries and frostbite suffered in the subzero cold below the Arctic Circle in three nights and four days of exposure.

The West Pointer's three companions, all National Guard officers on an inspection flight with him, almost miraculously survived the ordeal of the crash and the bitter cold.

National Guard officers reported all were in good condition Tuesday, although one was reported to have suffered severe frostbite. One of the men was rescued from the wreckage with Gen. Noyes. The other two were found as they hiked along the tortuous 25-mile route to Nome in search of aid.

Noyes had suffered a head injury, cuts and "nearly" frozen face, arms and legs," the National Guard said.

Rescuers reported the general had been unconscious from the time of the crash.

Noyes and Maj. Robert Kolb, the plane's pilot and an Army advisor with the National Guard, were rescued from the wreckage by three bush pilots and a druggist who carried them to the plateau-like top of the mountain against which the plane crashed.

After a paramedic team dropped to the scene Monday, Noyes and Kolb were kept in the wrecked plane, which provided some protection from the winds and cold, until a doctor reached the plane. Kolb suffered only minor injuries and some exposure.

Noyes' twisted body remained in the same position it took Friday when the plane crashed and slid 300 feet down the icy slopes of the barren mountainside. The plane crashed on the return flight from Shishmaref, a native village on the opposite side of the peninsula that jets out toward Siberia.

The two men riding with Noyes and Kolb, Sgt. Richard August of Nome, the mechanic, and Maj. Francis Siegwart, commander of the Alaska National Guard's 1st Scout Battalion here, started the long walk from the crash scene to Nome Sunday, two days after the plane crashed.

They were spotted from the air and intercepted on the ground shortly after a Civil Air Patrol plane piloted by Philip Lancaster of Nome located Noyes' downed craft.

Siegwart was uninjured. August was suffering extreme exposure.

Lancaster and his flying companion Martin Olson landed their light craft at the top of the plateau-like mountain and were soon joined by Bill Munz, another bush pilot, and Nome druggist Boyd Harwood, in another plane.

Two paramedics summoned by radio administered first aid to Noyes and Kolb.

Then, with a slip meaning a tumble of yards, the three bush pilots and Harwood started a tortuous journey to the summit of the mountain with the injured men on stretchers.

From the top of the mountain the two injured men were flown to Nome.



Sen. Harry Boivin

Boivin Plans To Run Again

Another well known hat will be tossed into the political arena within a few days when Senator Harry Boivin announces his desire to return to Salem.

Boivin said he will make a formal statement later on his Democratic candidacy for senator from the newly formed Eighteenth Legislative District which comprises Klamath County.

Until the districts were reorganized, Senator Boivin represented the Seventeenth Legislative District which included Klamath, Lake, Deschutes, Jefferson and Crook counties.

Boivin left for Sacramento Tuesday with Dr. John Waterman, psychiatrist for the Oregon State Board of Health. They are members of an interim committee named at the last session of the Legislature to study criminal laws applying to sex crimes. They will confer in Sacramento with officials of California Criminal Identification Bureau.

"When I return to Klamath Falls," Boivin said, "I intend to make a formal statement concerning plans for seeking reelection."

Boivin was elected to the senate in 1954 to complete the unexpired term of former Senator Phil Hitchcock who resigned. Boivin served from 1934 to 1941 as a state representative. He was speaker of the house during the 1937 session of the Legislature.

Women Battle For Child

SAN JOSE, Calif. (UP)—Judge H. G. Del Mutolo neared arguments in Superior Court here today on whether a California court has jurisdiction in the guardianship case of 3-year-old Susan Smith, formerly of Portland.

The child's aunt, Mrs. Ellen Hightower of Los Gatos, Calif., has petitioned the court to be named her guardian, but Susan's mother, Mrs. Marjorie Smith of Portland, is fighting for custody of the little girl.

The judge called for the jurisdiction arguments yesterday after Mrs. Smith's attorney said Mrs. Hightower took Susan from her Portland home without the mother's consent.

The attorney maintained that her action was "child stealing" under Oregon law and a felony subject to a 25 years imprisonment. He cited several other cases in which the children were from other states.

Judge Del Mutolo also ordered a transcript of last Friday's testimony in which Mrs. Hightower related how she brought Susan to California last April after Mrs. Smith was arrested in connection with the bomb-slaying of her husband, Kermit.

Mrs. Smith, who was acquitted of the murder charge, said she received custody of Susan from an Oregon court in 1954 when she and her husband were divorced. They were later remarried and Mrs. Smith claims custody as the surviving parent.

Mrs. Hightower, who has two adopted children, contends that Mrs. Smith is "unfit" to take care of Susan.

Ike Approves Highway Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower today approved a plan to finance his highway construction program through pay-as-you-go taxation. He abandoned his earlier plan for financing it with bonds.

House Republican leader Martin (Mass.) announced the President's decision. He said it was made in recognition of a practical situation in Congress—refusal of the Democratic leadership to accept the bond program.

Martin said after the GOP congressional leaders' weekly conference with Eisenhower that the President decided to yield on the issue because he was "the highway construction program to get under way."

In response to a question Martin told a news conference at the White House he believes the new program has a "good chance" of winning approval in Congress.

Martin made it clear that the new program means higher taxes to finance road building. He added it would be up to the House Ways and Means Committee to decide just how to raise the money.

Lillebo Gets Viaduct Award

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon Highway Commission awarded an \$829,964 contract Monday for construction of the South Sixth Street grade project in Klamath Falls on the Klamath Falls-Lakeview Highway.

The contract was awarded to Tom Lillebo, Reedsport, who submitted the lowest of seven bids. The bids were opened Dec. 20, but the award was held up while an agreement was drafted between the Southern Pacific Railroad and the commission.

The steel and reinforced concrete structure will be 836 feet long.

The commission also awarded a \$44,169 contract to Durbin Bros., Eugene, for grading and topping 5.8 miles of the Sumpter Valley Highway, 15 miles southwest of Baker.

The department official said that "never at any time was he Ellsworth urging anything more than that we get a dependable assay" and settle the long-standing appeal.

Roof Collapses

KARUIZAWA, Japan (AP)—Eight feet of snow on the roof today collapsed a miners' sleeping shack, killing 14 and seriously injuring five more. Eleven were pulled unharmed from the wreckage.

Healy Reveals Secretary Race

SALEM (AP)—A race for the Republican nomination for secretary of state loomed Tuesday after William E. Healy announced he would be a candidate.

Healy, who resigned two weeks ago as assistant secretary of state, said he would contest the bid of State Sen. Mark Hatfield, Salem, for the nomination.

Healy, 51, lives in Salem. He joined the state department in 1947 after managing the Ashland Chamber of Commerce and working for trade magazines and newspapers in Washington state.

The only Democrat to announce his candidacy for secretary of state is Monroe Sweetland, Milwaukie, Oregon's Democratic national committeeman and state senator.

Skating Prospects Reported 'Good'

Prospects are good for skating at the Moore Park rink Wednesday night, Recreation Director Bob Boney announced today. Snow was removed and the bare frozen Monday night, and today's temperatures should produce a finished coat of ice.

He said that melting snows off the hill behind the rink have hampered the making of ice on the rink, and definite announcement will be made in tomorrow's paper about the condition of the ice.

NEVADA COLLECTS

CARSON CITY, Nev. (AP)—Nevada collected a record \$4,750,144 in revenue from the gambling industry in 1955, the State Tax Commission announced today. That more than doubled the record of \$2,304,493 set in 1954. The big jump resulted partially from an increase in the tax rate.

Relations With Red China Major Problem

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Eden met again Tuesday with Red China's "war if necessary" threat to Formosa apparently a prime topic in the second day of their talks.

Both leaders had their Far East experts with them at a White House luncheon, attended also by Secretary of State Dulles and British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd.

The presence of Walter S. Robertson and Sir Hubert Graves, both specialists on the Orient, emphasized that Far East questions were up for discussion.

Dulles acknowledged to reporters, after two hours of talks with Lloyd earlier at the State Department, that "we talked about both" Middle and Far East problems.

Red China's Premier Chou En-lai cast his shadow on the Eisenhower talks, called to deal with Russia's new diplomatic offensive and particularly the troubled Middle East, by making a speech broadcast over Peiping Radio.

Chou lashed out at "prolonged dragging out" of U.S.-Red China talks at Geneva and declared his regime is "actively preparing" to conquer the Nationalist-held island of Formosa "by means of war if necessary."

Relations with Communist China, including Britain's reported desire to ease existing Western trade controls, figured prominently among the key topics to be tackled in a review of policy in the Far East. Eisenhower and Eden got off to a seemingly good start yesterday on three days of talks on how to deal with the Russians in the Middle East and elsewhere.

AGREEMENT

They agreed in assessing recent Soviet maneuvering on the diplomatic, economic and political fronts. And Eden pledged Britain's full support to Eisenhower's insistence on "deeds, not words," as evidence of Russian willingness to ease tensions.

But the first day also turned up a divergence of views on the Middle East. Some diplomatic officials said, however, that these differences are minor and should be narrowed even further at today's session.

Eisenhower took part in two of the three U. S.-British conferences yesterday. On doctor's orders he has been backing up his bed.

Eisenhower and Eden are expected to switch attention to the Far East once they go as far as they can in fashioning a common policy toward the Middle East.

The British are said to be more reluctant than they have been about backing up U. S. opposition to sending Red China in the United Nations. Eisenhower will try to nail down British support on that issue.

BRITONS' PART

For their part, the British would like to ease the West's embargo against shipping raw goods to Red China. They argue, in the face of strong opposition from segments of Congress, that such goods are being shipped now to Russia but are banned in the China trade. They point out that the Korean fighting, which ended three years ago, British recognizes Red China while the United States does not.

Judge Denies Chessman's Corpus Writ

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Federal Judge Louis E. Goodman Tuesday denied the petition of Caryl Chessman for a writ of habeas corpus that would free him from death row in San Quentin Prison.

In an 11-page opinion, Judge Goodman said that Chessman "has failed to sustain the allegations of his petition," that "there is not a scintilla of verity in the allegations made in the petition."

Chessman, so-called "red light hand," convicted of kidnapping and rape, based his petition on a convention that the transcript of his appeal from his 1948 conviction in Los Angeles was prepared fraudulently.

RIGHTS INFRINGED

The U.S. Supreme Court last October ordered the hearing before Judge Goodman. Its purpose was to determine whether Chessman's constitutional rights had been infringed.

In rejecting Chessman's petition, Judge Goodman terminated the stay of execution which had been issued before the start of the hearing.

Chessman was convicted on two counts of kidnapping with bodily harm, both of which were punishable by death, and of 15 other counts, including robbery and sex perversion.

His next step, presumably will be a new appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals in San Francisco. If the outcome there is unsatisfactory, he can turn once more to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Kroksh Lists Contributors

Letter contributions to the March of Dimes are continuing to come into campaign headquarters, said Jay Kroksh, drive chairman, today.

Kroksh urged anyone who hasn't mailed his contribution yet to do so even though the drive is almost over. "Every dime helps in the battle against polio," he said. "The war against the dread disease still goes on."

The following firms, individuals and organizations have mailed their contributions:

Clyde Meade, Harold A. Campbell, Oregon State Nurses Association, Dist. No. 8, Harold B. Ashley, Grigsby Smokehouse, Moty and Van Dyke, Association of Machinists, Women's Society of Christian Service, Klamath Lutheran Ladies Aid, Fred Fleicher, C. R. Cunningham, Dr. E. Dietsche.

A. E. Albert, Fort Klamath Civic Improvement Club, Clem and Sylvia Lesueur, Bob and Shirley Perkins, Stel S. King, A. M. Buswell Co., David M. Kime, Lucille R. Casey, Mrs. E. N. Eagle, Local 1279 Painters Union, Asphalt Paving Co., and Mary Henzel.

Sub-Zero Snap Grips Oregon

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The coldest night of the winter brought temperatures as low as -25 in the Oregon mountains early Tuesday and more cold was in prospect for eastern Oregon and Washington Tuesday night.

The lowest marks reported were 28 below at Seneca and 25 below at Meacham in the Oregon Cascades, with Olympia reporting 12 below and eastern Oregon and Washington east of the mountains.

Baker, in Eastern Oregon, had -22 in Eastern Washington it was -16 at Ellensburg, -12 at Ephrata and Omak, -11 at Spokane, -12 at Yakima and -5 at Walla Walla.

It was below freezing at most western Oregon and Washington points, with Olympia reporting 12 above, Portland and Bellingham 13 Salem 18, Seattle 20.

The forecast was for continued cold Tuesday night in both states, with temperatures rising to normal or higher by this weekend.

By coincidence, it was comparatively balmy in Alaska. Anchorage had 35 above and Fairbanks 14 above. The only zero report from Alaska was Nome's -3.



LYLE STEERS, left, 4627 Boardman Street, and Dale Hankins, 1926 Wiard Street, repairmen for the telephone company, came in out of the cold this morning for a warm cup of coffee and ran right into the lens of the 9 o'clock photographer. The mercury hit a low of minus four degrees before the sun came up today. Not frozen, however, were the men's tendency to hem it up.