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Appraisal Of Indian Land Released By Government

The Department of the Interior released the Klamath Indian Reservation appraisal report today at the beginning of a series of hearings on the Indian problem being held in Washington, D.C.

In releasing the appraisal figure for the reservation, Secretary Fred Seaton commented, "I have a summary of the appraisal figures with me. They have not yet been accepted as final under the terms of the law because some of the supporting data has not been received and reviewed. We expect that data momentarily, and we do not expect that it will affect the summary figures except for 1958 transactions."

Total appraisal figure of tribal net worth was listed in the report as \$123,725,018.10. However, Management Specialist Tom Walters stated that, as the secretary of the interior indicated, there will be some minor adjustments in that figure because of late data tabulated.

The appraisal report is broken down as follows: Klamath timber units, 95 units, valued at \$118,391,610; Klamath grazing units, 22 in all, valued at \$468,990; two marsh units, \$407,056; three farm units, \$331,720; four agency buildings, \$142,000; economic units other than those listed, 10 in all, \$923, and net tribal assets other than economic units amounted to \$3,982,719.10.

Total appraised net worth is \$123,725,018.10 less budgeted expenditures for fiscal year 1957 of \$2,081,100, which leaves for distribution, subject to adjustment for sales and expenditures in fiscal 1958, a total of \$121,643,918.10.

These figures are all listed as "realization value" figures, and the released indicated that "realization value" means the amount which it is estimated may be realized under terms of Public Law 587, as amended.

The appraisal shows "realization values" as of October 21, 1957, and other values as of February 28, 1957. It does not reflect timber sales after the appraisal date, or tribal expenditures in fiscal year 1958.

Release of the appraisal figure has been long awaited, and marked a portion of the first day activity in the three day hearing being held by Senate Indian Affairs Committee.

Boat Mishap Claims Four

GOLD BEACH, Ore. (AP) — An isolated, treacherous stretch of the Rogue River 22 miles upstream from here claimed four lives Saturday when a 20-foot boat capsized.

Six were aboard on a pleasure cruise up the rough water, and only two survived.

The boat plowed into a big wave and upset, then drifted four miles downstream before two men hanging to the hull were rescued. They were Junior Lowery, 29, and Woodrow Lee Fry, 20.

Those who drowned were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Meservey and their children, Ted, 5; and Emily, 12.

Young Ted drowned first, disappearing in the churning waters right after the boat capsized.

Emily clung to the craft for a time before losing her strength, and going under.

Her father, Ted, 45, was the next to go, and a short time later the mother, Emily Lou, vanished in the river.

Cries for help were heard by a rancher, John Adams. Adams and his son, Dick, obtained a motor-driven boat at a nearby logging camp and rescued Lowery and Fry.

All six in the boat except Fry lived along the Rogue. Fry is from Powers, Ore.

Three other children of Mr. and Mrs. Meservey were staying at the home of a friend at the time of the accident. They are Theo, 10; Wanda, 8; and Anita, 7.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Variable cloudiness through Tuesday; clearing at night. Highs 38-43; lows Monday night 25-30.

High yesterday 40
Low last night 31
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 10.51
Same period last year 7.19
Normal for period 7.04

CRATER LAKE

High yesterday 39
Low last night 26
8 a.m. today 26
New snow 3
Snow depth 140
Last year 77
Highway 62 is open through the park, chains advised. Chains are required from Annie Springs to the rim. It was foggy in the park during the morning hours today.

Recession End Seen In July

WASHINGTON (AP) — Budget director Percival F. Brundage told openly doubtful Democrats Monday he is confident the country will pull out of the recession "before July."

Under critical questioning before the Senate-Economic Committee he testified:

"I don't think we are going to have any extended recession—I personally don't feel concerned."

He defended President Eisenhower's budget estimate of \$74,400,000,000 in receipts for fiscal year 1959, and asserted:

"We are pretty safe in this figure."

Douglas expressed doubt that the Senate will raise the postage rate of out-of-town mail letters to 5 cents, as the administration has requested.

Watchers See U.S. Satellite

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — A Manhattan, Kan., moonwatcher team apparently made the first visual sighting—with naked eyes—of America's satellite, Explorer, Sunday night, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, assistant director of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, said Monday.

He explained that a study of reports gave more evidence for than against the validity of the Kansas team's sighting report.

Dr. Hynek said the apparent brightness of the satellite was "very surprising."

The observers placed it at fifth magnitude—or equal to that of a faint star. This is several magnitudes brighter than the 30-inch, half-foot wide rocket had been expected to appear.

Hynek said the moonwatch team reported extremely clear air and ideal observing conditions. Five members of the moonwatch team sighted the object by using a combination of radio-tracking and visual observation.

The time of 8:44 p.m. (EST) checked within one minute of a prediction worked out from a telescope sighting a day earlier from Alamogordo, N.M.

HIGH PING PONG STAKES

LONDON (UP)—American Eric Steiner won nearly \$2,800 from Bolivian tin heir Jaime Ortiz-Patino in a marathon ping pong game at a St. Moritz resort, the Sunday Dispatch said. The game lasted several days with breaks for rest and food. The hotel manager halted the contest with Steiner, a Californian, ahead because the stakes were getting too high, the newspaper said.

Aerial Collisions Set Off Official Action Demands

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Collision of two military planes over suburban Norwalk, killing 48 persons, brought a demand today for immediate action on the part of the secretary of defense.

County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn noted that the Norwalk collision was one of three aerial collisions over Southern California in as many days.

"I am sending a telegram to the secretary of defense, asking that he appoint a special investigating court not merely to fix the blame for the crash but to study the increasing problems of air traffic in metropolitan areas," he said.

"The court should be empowered to make new rules, if necessary, to protect the lives and property of our residents."

Gov. Goodwin J. Knight earlier called for a full-scale congressional investigation of airway traffic controls.

The tragic series—which took a total of 55 lives—began Friday. Two Air Force B26 medium bombers smashed together over the desert east of Daguerre, killing the two-man crew on one of them.

Saturday night over Norwalk a C118 Military Air Transport Service plane and a Navy Neptune patrol bomber rammed together.

And yesterday, while investigators still were poking through charred wreckage at Norwalk, two civilian planes collided 30 miles east of here. All five occupants of the two craft died.

The Norwalk collision came on a cloudy night at 2,500 feet with a fiery explosion witnessed by hundreds.

The four-engine MATS transport, carrying service personnel and reservists, had taken off from nearby Long Beach Municipal Airport for McGuire Air Force Base, N.J., five minutes earlier. All 41 aboard were killed.

The twin-engine Navy Neptune had departed from the Los Alamitos Naval Air Station, a few miles away, about 15 minutes before the crash. Aboard the bomber were eight reservists on a routine training flight. Two survived.

The two aircraft fell some 2 1/2 miles apart.

The Navy bomber crashed in an abandoned clay pit, missing blocks of homes by a few hundred feet.

The transport, disintegrating as it fell, hit in one of the busiest sections of Norwalk. Its tail section crushed a service station and its fuselage ripped into the parking lot and garage of the sheriff's office substation across the street.

A 23-year-old housewife, Mrs. Edith Hernandez, was decapitated by a flying piece of wreckage.

Oregon Points Hear Explorer

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Oregon listeners heard the radio signal from Explorer, the satellite placed into orbit around the earth by the United States, as it passed over Southern California Sunday night.

Reports that it was heard came from three cities—Portland, Salem and McMinnville.

At McMinnville it was the Linfield Research Institute staff which picked up the signal, first at 7:28 to 7:36 p.m., again at 9:35 p.m., then again on a third pass of the satellite on its west-to-east course.

At Salem, Bill Gibson reported picking up the signal, and at Portland it was Jim Strickland. Both of these men were cooperating in a monitoring program of the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry.

No visual observations were expected in Oregon and none was reported.



ANOTHER BASIN FIRST was registered Saturday, February 1, at 9:28 and 9:43 a.m., when Mrs. James (Marie) Nydigger, 20, Box 524, Oregon Technical Institute, gave birth to 1958's first set of twins. On the left is Kellie Lynn and right is Kimberly Ann. The couple has another girl, Pamela, 18 months. Nydigger, 21, is majoring in welding at the school. — Kettler Photo

'Mad Dog Slayer' Enters Innocent Plea To Charges

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Bantam killer Charles Starkweather pleaded innocent Monday to a two-count complaint charging the 19-year-old gunman with one of 11 slayings he has admitted.

Starkweather, looking a little bored, at first waived a preliminary hearing. But after Lancaster County Judge Herbert Ronin explained his constitutional rights, Starkweather said: "I'll take it, I guess."

Judge Ronin set the preliminary hearing for March 1.

The complaint on which the young redhead was arraigned charged him with slaying Robert Jensen, 17-year-old Bennet High School junior.

Starkweather was charged with murder "with premeditation" and murder in perpetration of robbery in connection with Starkweather's theft of Jensen's automobile.

Starkweather was charged originally with the killing of Carol King, 16, of Bennet, whose body with that of Jensen was found in an abandoned storm cellar near Bennet last Tuesday.

Lancaster County Atty. Elmer Scheele said he would let the Carol King charge "sit a while."

The swaggering little outlaw, head lowered and smoking the inseparable cigarette, was escorted into the courtroom at 10:40 a.m.

He had received a haircut since he entered the Nebraska Penitentiary last Friday night for safekeeping. He was clean shaven.

He was wearing blue prison dungarees and brown prison work shoes—without laces.

When Ronin asked Starkweather if he understood all the charges and penalties, which include possible death in Nebraska's electric chair, Starkweather nodded affirmatively.

Probers Open FCC Hearings

WASHINGTON (AP) — House investigators began detailing allegations of misconduct against five members of the Federal Communications Commission Monday. FCC Chairman John C. Doerfer complained that "ordinary rules of fair play have been absolutely disregarded."

When the special House subcommittee recessed for lunch, Doerfer told newsmen, "This is not an attempt to get out the facts at all."

He said Leonard Schwartz, subcommittee counsel, was using "most unusual procedure" in which he said witnesses were asked for opinions "instead of what was actually said."

When the hearing opened, six allegations against Doerfer were read. The FCC chairman said then he was being subjected to "trial by innuendo."

Similar allegations also have been made by a special House subcommittee against four of the other six FCC members.

Chairman Moulder (D-Mo) read the allegations to Doerfer in a jammed hearing room. The FCC boss was accused, among other things, of accepting favors from the industry which the commission regulates and of collecting expenses for a convention trip from both industry and the government.

The subcommittee, which is looking into federal regulatory agencies, gave written copies of the allegations to the affected FCC members last week. Two of the accused commissioners, Robert T. Bartley and Rosel H. Hyde, distributed statements to the press in the hearing room denying the complaints.

Navy Pushes Preparations For Launching Of Vanguard

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy, beaten into space by the Army's Explorer satellite, was pushing preparations today for another try at getting its Vanguard vehicle aloft.

The 72-foot Vanguard rocket was visible at its launching tower at Cape Canaveral, Fla., pointing to a possible early firing attempt. But the Navy kept mum on its plans.

There was renewed talk of sending a rocket to the moon as the Explorer whirled through space on its mission of collecting and radioing back scientific information. The Explorer went into orbit Friday night.

Meanwhile, free world statesmen welcomed America's breakthrough, which some of them said should have a favorable influence on finding a formula for East-West peace.

Vice President Nixon said the American achievement "should have the effect of developing unusual support in world opinion" for President Eisenhower's proposal to dedicate outer space to peaceful uses.

Eisenhower made that proposal in a Jan. 12 letter to Russian Premier Nikolai Bulganin. A reply to that letter was delivered here yesterday, but its contents have not been made public.

Although there have been some congratulatory comments from Russian sources, one Soviet scientist noted that the 30.8-pound Explorer is much smaller than either of the Russian satellites.

However, the scientist, Kiril Stanyukovich, voiced the hope in a Moscow broadcast that "peaceful competition of satellites in the two countries will lead to enrichment of the world's scientific knowledge."

Eisenhower has said that all data collected by the Explorer will be shared freely with other nations, including Russia.

The Explorer, six feet long and shaped like a pointed tube, is sending back coded radio signals reporting on temperatures, cosmic rays and meteorites it is meeting in its 18,000-mile-an-hour journey.

Dr. Ernst Stuhlinger, chief of research projects for the Army Ballistic Missile Agency at Huntsville, Ala., said it had been determined tentatively that the Explorer's egg-shaped orbit carries it to within 212 miles of the earth and to 1,800 miles at its outermost point.

Stuhlinger also said the American satellite is completing a trip around the earth once every 115.1 minutes.

The Army said a team of observers at Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo, N.M., had sighted the Explorer Saturday night. Word of this was relayed to Stuhlinger. Apparently referring to this same sighting, officials at the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory in Cambridge, Mass., said the New Mexico Moonwatch team probably is the first to have spotted the Army satellite.

The Navy's Vanguard project, which had sole responsibility in the U.S. earth satellite program until November, failed in its first launching effort Dec. 6. Its rocket exploded on the launching pad.

A number of technical difficulties prevented another launching try last month. But informed sources at the Cape Canaveral test center said those troubles have been fixed.

New Russian Offer For Talks Revealed

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet government has notified President Eisenhower officially that it will discuss fully the control of outer space as part of a package deal including the abolition of nuclear weapons and the reduction of armed forces.

Premier Nikolai A. Bulganin, in a communication delivered Sunday in Washington, said the Soviet Union accepted the idea of preparing for a summit conference through normal diplomatic channels but ruled out any prior foreign ministers' conference because of Soviet opposition to Secretary of State Dulles.

Bulganin, replying to President Eisenhower's Jan. 12 letter, proposed a nine-point agenda for a summit meeting of East and West leaders.

Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Leonid F. Ilyichev told a news conference Monday the Soviet government is ready to participate in a summit meeting based on either broad or restricted representation.

(Moscow Radio began broadcasting the text of Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin's letter to President Eisenhower just after the Moscow news conference.)

Orb Reports Data On Space

NEW YORK (AP) — Like an excited cub reporter, the U.S. earth satellite is pouring home stories on its first assignment — delineated SPACE.

Through two radio voices, it files 24 hours a day in code on the nature of cosmic rays, temperatures of its outer skin and its instrument core and meteorites.

Twice every 115 minutes, it cuts across the path of Sputnik II, a reporter from another country.

On the ground, the fresh dispatches are tape recorded, timed, measured. Finally scientists will draw them all together to tell the story of space and what man can expect to find there.

Will the cosmic rays be so intense that man can never hope to live in space? Will the constant wearing of meteoritic dust and the larger meteors destroy any long-term space satellite? What are the temperatures that instruments and man must be expected to face? What are the blazing fury of the sun and the complete cold of spatial darkness?

On miniature devices, the earth satellite digests this information. Its radio signals, varying bass and tenor hums, send it back to earth on 108 megacycles and 108.3 megacycles.

Like the good reporter it is, the U.S. satellite files reams of material and statistics on what it finds in space.

Below on the earth, scientists, acting the part of editors, will blue pencil and correlate the information.

In Vanguard headquarters at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, the reports of the U.S. Explorer and the Russian sputniks are received side by side.

But it is no easy task. It takes time, a good deal of time.

Traffic Toll Drop Related

CHICAGO (AP) — The nation's traffic death toll in 1957 was 38,500, a 3 per cent drop from 1956, and marked the lowest mileage death rate in history.

"The 1957 record is, of course, definitely encouraging," said the National Safety Council, which announced the figures today. "It reflects an unmistakable improvement in traffic behavior and enforcement."

Deaths on the highways last year compared with 39,828 in 1956, which was one of the highest on record. The 1,100 fewer deaths in 1957 was the second largest reported in any year since the end of World War II and was surpassed only by a decrease of approximately 2,400 deaths in 1954, the council said.

The 1957 mileage death rate (deaths per 100 million vehicle miles) was 5.9, compared with the previous all-time low of 5.3 in 1956 and 1954.

The council said every month of 1957 except August showed a drop or no change in traffic fatalities from the same month in 1956. "One year does not make an era of safer traffic," the council said. "But 1957 could well be the turning point in the war on traffic accidents. It is significant that the improvement was attained in the face of a 4 per cent rise in motor vehicle travel."

Traffic deaths in December totaled 3,710, a 4 per cent drop from the toll of 3,858 lives "in a month that traditionally brings peak danger on the highway."

The all-time high traffic death toll was 39,969 in 1941.

The council commended governors, mayors and traffic enforcement agencies for the 1957 record, and added: "The drivers and pedestrians deserve a big pat on the back too. They, of course, actually made the improvement possible."

Lost Scout's Body Found

WILLOWS, Calif. (UP) — The nine-day search for 12-year-old Boy Scout Dennis Wurschmidt ended tragically Sunday when his frozen body was found in a clump of fir in Mill Creek Canyon.

The boy had been sought by more than 1,000 men aided by bloodhounds, horses, planes and helicopters.

Glenn County Coroner Howard Street said the boy apparently died of exposure and exhaustion in a blizzard which swept the area on the night of Jan. 25—just a few hours after young Wurschmidt disappeared while playing with 11 other scouts.

The boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gervin Wurschmidt, of WilloWS, was on his first camping trip with his troop.

PRINT SPECIAL EDITION

ATLANTA (UP) — The Atlanta Constitution published a "satellite" edition today devoting its front page to news of the Explorer and a color photograph of the Jupiter-C missile leaving its launching pad. The normal front page appeared on Page 3 along with the full masthead.

Adviser Urges Speed Up Of Education In Science

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — President Eisenhower's science adviser today called on Americans "to de-emphasize the hot rodders among our youth and to encourage the hot minds."

But also, Dr. James R. Killian Jr. said, we mustn't try to engage in a numbers race with the Soviet Union for scientists and engineers. Emphasis should be on education to fulfill democratic needs and goals.

Making his first major public address since being appointed Eisenhower's special assistant for science and technology shortly after Sputnik I was launched, Dr. Killian said this nation must give more priority to its "hot minds" or high-level talent "which has the capacity to lead, to innovate, and to imagine—and thus to advance our society."

He offered a five-point program in an opening speech prepared for an annual conference on "America's Resources to Meet the Scientific Challenge."

Sponsored by the President's Committee on Scientists and Engineers, and the William Benton Foundation, and a two-day conference at Yale University brings together leaders in science, education, industry, labor, government and news media.

In a message to the conference, Killian said adequate pay for teachers, shortage of student aid and buildings had already been stressed as central and critical needs.

Then he outlined five less-recognized educational deficiencies which he said must be overcome to keep this country strong:

1. More stress on discovering and educating talented youngsters, especially in aptitude for mathematics.
2. More rigor and more emphasis on excellence in high schools. Science should be strengthened. College entrance requirements should be raised.
3. Advantage should be taken of resources of liberal arts colleges to encourage scientific talent and postgraduate science study.
4. More graduate schools and graduate courses in engineering are needed.
5. All Americans should gain "a high degree of scientific literacy."