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Civil Right Battle In House Seen

WASHINGTON — An unheralded civil rights fight moved to the House floor today, threatening to catch many absent members off guard.

It involves financing for the six-member Civil Rights Commission and its staff created by the controversial 1957 civil rights law. The fight could delay action on this year's first regular money bill, to finance the War on Crime and general government matters.

Many House members, anticipating no controversy, had arranged to be out of the city for Lincoln Day speeches and other matters.

President Eisenhower has asked Congress to provide \$200,000 for the commission's current year activities and \$750,000 for its fiscal year 1959 work starting next July 1.

The House Appropriations Committee excluded the \$750,000 from a money bill which comes up for a possible vote today. It indicated that it would take a dim view of the \$200,000 request unless the commission is more firmly established.

The committee noted in a formal report that the two money requests were "prepared by persons not associated with the commission," and cited the fact that a staff director has not yet been appointed.

The six commission members have been sworn under recess appointments, but the Senate has not yet confirmed the appointments, nor even ordered committee hearings on them.

The commission is charged with investigating reports of civil rights violations and making recommendations covering the broad field of rights of minority groups.

Rep. Andrews (D-Ala.), chairman of an Appropriations subcommittee that considered the commission's budget, said the committee could not justifiably recommend money for an operation that "is not even a going concern."

For that reason, he said, the committee deferred action on the request for the \$750,000 and "it would appear at this writing that the same situation will prevail" with respect to the \$200,000 to be considered later.

Rep. Keating (R-NY), also an active champion of civil rights legislation, called the Appropriations Committee action "an underhanded attempt to kill the civil rights law."



MEN OF MT. CARMEL Catholic Church, Clatskanie, are shown planning final steps for the annual ham dinner which will be held in the church basement on February 18, with serving starting at 5 p.m. Ben Murphy, first row center, is chairman of the affair.

Youths Learn Penalties

LAKEVIEW—Decisions regarding five youths who confessed to various thefts and break-ins were handed down during the past week by Judge Charles H. Foster. One adult in the group, Vernon F. Story, 29, had previously been sentenced by Justice of the Peace O. C. Gibbs to 120 days in the county jail.

Of the five 16 and 17 year olds, one was committed to the McLarson school at Woodburn, and another was allowed to enter a military academy. Three were placed on probation to Sheriff Tommy Elliott with orders they were to stop associating with each other; suspension of drivers licenses indefinitely; obey all laws including the 10 o'clock curfew and get short haircuts. Two of the boys were ordered to attend school regularly and one must make up 48 hours of school detention two days per week for six weeks. The detention time will be made up in the custody of the sheriff.

Obituary

FOSTER
William Thomas Foster, 93, native of DeQueen, Arkansas, resident of Klamath Falls for six years, died here February 9, 1953. Survivors include daughters, Mrs. R. J. McCarty and Mrs. Ada Boatman of this city and a brother, Henry of Abilene, Texas. Funeral services will take place from the Wilkerson Funeral Home, DeQueen, Arkansas, Ward's Klamath Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements.

Funerals

ALT
Funeral services for Susan Alt will be held at the graveside Klamath Memorial Park Tuesday, February 11, at 10:30 a.m., the Rev. LeRoy Redal officiating. O'Hair's Memorial Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

LANE
Funeral services for Albert Max Lane, 45, will be held in O'Hair's Memorial Chapel Tuesday, February 11, at 11 a.m. with the Rev. K. G. West officiating. Interment will be made in Klamath Memorial Park. Mr. Lane died here Friday, February 7, from a heart attack. He had been a merchant in this city for 16 years, owning the Lane Fur Shop. Survivors include his widow, Gertrude; two sons, Richard and Steven Lane; one daughter, Sharon, all of Klamath Falls; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lane; a brother, Sydney Lane, and a sister, Beatrice Lane, all of San Francisco.

BOOKED
Harvey Hood, 19-year-old Chilquien man, was booked in the county jail Monday morning on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon.

The charge evolved from an early February altercation in Klamath Falls, during which Marvin Barkley, 25, was stabbed. The man was treated at the Klamath Valley Hospital and released.

The Monday arrest was made by Deputy Sheriff Alvie Youngblood.

Toastmistress Meeting Set

The Mt. Mazama Toastmistress Club will meet in the Willard Hotel on February 13 at 6:30 p.m. Eva Cook will be toastmistress and Hope Brader, topicmistress.

Averil Garriott and Peggy Kaverl will give ice breaker speeches. Contest speeches will be given by Edna Howell, Ellen Miller, Marilou O'Connor and Doris Abernathy.

Other speeches for the evening will be as follows: Blanche Petroff and Sally Damon, word pictures, Laura Stranz, gestures, and Jackie Hibbert, vocal variety.

Critics will be De Etta Forester and Della Baty.

Guest evaluator for the evening will be Cecil Drew of the Modoc Toastmasters Club.

Library Club Units Named

MERRILL—Two committees were appointed during a meeting of the recently reorganized Merrill Library Club held Thursday afternoon, February 6, at the Merrill Recreation Hall.

Heading the program committee is Mrs. Warren Walker assisted by Mrs. Dorothy Baxter and Mrs. Jim Shuck. The committee for obtaining meeting hostesses is made up of Mrs. Winifred Barry and Mrs. Kate Merriels. The appointments were made by Mrs. Bert Johnson, president.

Attending the meeting were 15 members and four guests. Mrs. Roma Walker, Mrs. Ralph Swisher, Mrs. Sharon Markenson and Mrs. Frances Brandenburg.

A musical program was presented by Betty Ann Chapman, who played several piano selections, and Bobby Merriels, who played several accordion numbers.

Hostesses for the next meeting scheduled for March 6 are Mrs. Vivian Miller, Mrs. Winifred Barry and Mrs. Dovie Hodges.

Court Case Wound Up

LAKEVIEW — The suit for dissolution of partnership filed last year by H. L. and Viola Wahl versus Philip H. and Elenora Pitman was ended in the court here with a decree, signed by Circuit Judge Charles H. Foster, ending the partnership and the appointment by the court of Viri F. Shelton as receiver. C. E. Casto was appointed referee.

In the decree of accounting and dissolution, the court ordered that, after partnership obligations to creditors other than the partners, the partners would be entitled to settlement as follows: The Wahls to receive \$3,139.06 as creditors of the partnership, and the remainder of the assets to be divided on the ratio of 70.59 per cent to Mr. and Mrs. Wahl, and 29.41 per cent to Mr. and Mrs. Pitman.

Shelton was ordered to take all assets of the partnership, convert them to cash, settle with the creditors of the partnership and distribute the balance to the partners in accordance with the dissolution decree.

On The Record

KLAMATH FALLS BIRTHS
O'CONNOR—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Connor, February 7, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a son weighing 7 lbs., 9 1/2 ozs.
MYERS—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Myers, February 7, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a daughter weighing 8 lbs., 8 1/2 ozs.
WEBB—Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Webb, February 7, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a daughter weighing 3 lbs., 3 ozs.
KINCAID—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lathen Kincaid, February 7, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a daughter weighing 7 lbs., 9 ozs.
BOYS
MOREHOUSE—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Rex H. Morehouse, February 7, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a son weighing 7 lbs., 13 ozs.
SHARP—Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sharp, February 8, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a son weighing 10 lbs., 7 1/2 ozs.
MEYERS—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Alvin Meyers, February 8, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a son weighing 7 lbs., 9 ozs.
ZIMMERMANN—Born to Mr. and Mrs. August H. Zimmermann, February 8, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a son weighing 7 lbs., 9 ozs.
BRIGHT—Born to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bright, February 8, in the Klamath Valley Hospital, a son weighing 7 lbs., 3 1/2 ozs.
1953 ROUNDUP
Girls, 50; Boys, 50.

MISSING
City and state police are attempting to learn the whereabouts of a 16-year-old girl who has been missing from her Klamath Falls home since Sunday.

Police said the girl is Shirley Ann Bales, who is about 5 feet 6 inches tall and weighs approximately 130 pounds. When last seen she was leaving for a ride with a companion.

Anyone knowing of the girl's whereabouts is asked to call the city police, TU 4-3111, or the girl's home, TU 2-3105.

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Dimes March Figure High

LAKEVIEW — Proceeds from the Mothers March and the March of Dimes auction held last weekend in Lake County have amounted to more than \$1,800, according to Julian Herndon, county chairman.

The Mothers March, headed by Mrs. Erna Clause for the Soroptimist Club, had netted a total of \$1,037.95, with a report not yet made that that community would combine all donations in three separate functions. This is the first year that the Mothers March was made in the surrounding areas of the county and Mrs. Clause reports that the results were very satisfying. Communities outside Lakeview turned in amounts as follows: Paisley, \$78.74; Summer Lake, \$58.37; Adel, \$77.50; Fort Rock, \$9.56 and New Pine Creek, \$37.75. The remaining amount of \$776.03 was turned in from Lakeview.

With pledges of about \$250 to be turned in, Dr. Ed Zarosinski, chairman of the auction for the Lakeview Lions Club, expects the proceeds to top \$800. Donated items were auctioned by means of telephone and radio facilities provided by the West Coast Telephone Company and Radio Station KQIK. County treasurer for the polo campaign is Mrs. Opal Fitzgerald.

Rocket To The Moon Said Possible In Next Year As US Program In High Gear

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FCC Under Scrutiny By Group; Counselor Under Heavy Fire By Officials

WASHINGTON — A House subcommittee investigating the Federal Communications Commission meets today with all signposts pointing to the probable ouster of its controversial counsel Bernard Schwartz.

The firing of Schwartz in a dispute over his expense vouchers could lead to a lengthy delay in the group's probe of the FCC and other regulatory agencies. This investigation has aroused considerable dissension within the subcommittee, chiefly over Schwartz's handling of hearings on the FCC last week.

In advance of the subcommittee meeting, Schwartz denied there was anything irregular about certain of his expense accounts totaling \$400. But he predicted: "They're going to fire me." He said he would not resign. Two subcommittee members, one a critic and the other a backer of Schwartz, agreed he was probably on his way out.

Schwartz contended he is being ousted because he wanted public hearings that he said would go into some cases of White House influence.

The Washington Post quoted him as saying "we have actual evidence" that Sherman Adams, President Eisenhower's top aide, "has played a part in cases involving several (regulatory) agencies."

Without going into details, Schwartz also said the hearings would have touched on Secretary of Commerce Weeks; Col. George Moore, Mrs. Eisenhower's brother-in-law; former Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York; former Undersecretary of Commerce Robert B. Murray Jr.; an unidentified FCC member; and "possibly" Vice President Nixon.

There was no immediate comment from the White House or from any of those mentioned by Schwartz.

The 34-year-old subcommittee counsel said that "powerful interests... will stop at nothing" to halt the probe of the FCC. He said the issue raised over his expenses is "an attempt to divert the investigation which... will succeed."

The Post quoted Schwartz as saying Chairman Harris (D-Ark) of the parent House Commerce Committee was using his disputed expense account as a means of forcing his resignation just as the subcommittee was due to open hearings tomorrow on what Schwartz termed an FCC "pay-off" in the granting of a TV license. He did not elaborate on this.

The FCC probe has centered so far on allegations — based on a memorandum prepared by Schwartz — that some commission members improperly accepted favors from the broadcasting industry. These favors allegedly included travel and other expenses when FCC members attended radio-TV trade meetings.

The memo was classified as confidential, but its contents leaked to newsmen. The transcript of a closed-door subcommittee session on Jan. 30 showed Schwartz was the source of the leak.

Questions about Schwartz's own expenses arose over the weekend when the Tulsa (Okla.) Tribune published a story saying the counsel had received \$400 in expense money for four weekends in New York. The Tribune story, filed from its Washington bureau, said part of the money was tagged for hotel expenses. However, the dispatch said Schwartz had his own apartment in New York.

Asked about the Tribune story, Schwartz called it "the sheerest nonsense." He acknowledged receiving \$400.73 for what he said were trips to New York last August on official business. But he contended none of the money was for hotel costs and that his actual expenses came to \$1,000. Schwartz said he paid the difference out of his own funds.

Harris, a member of the subcommittee, said that Schwartz, in the questioned expense vouchers, appeared to "be doing the same thing we have been criticizing others in government for."

Harris said he believed that Schwartz "won't be with us after Monday."

Subcommittee Chairman Moulder (D-Mo.), saying the dispute over Schwartz's expenses involves a "technicality," said the subcommittee would fire Schwartz but that "I'm going to vote against it."

As Moulder explained it, he had told Schwartz he would try to reimburse the counsel for the expenses of moving from New York, but that he found technicalities in the law barred that. Moulder said Schwartz lost money in coming here to take the subcommittee post. The Missouri Democrat contended the subcommittee should have paid all of Schwartz's costs.

Moulder said his "opinion and esteem of Schwartz hadn't altered one bit."

Plane Crash Kills Three

TORRANCE, Calif. — A light plane crashed in dense fog shortly after takeoff here Sunday, killing the pilot and two passengers. A fourth occupant escaped with a broken ankle.

Killed were Lars Crompt, 25, San Pedro, Calif. pilot; Edward Hughes, 51, San Pedro, and the Rev. Ke'ey Merritt, Kearney, Neb., minister of a Four Square Gospel church, Robert Dye of Los Angeles survived.

The four were on route to Medford, Ore., where Rev. Merritt will be officiating at the funeral of Dye's uncle, who was killed in the collision and crash of two military planes over Norwalk, Calif., Feb. 11. That accident killed 48.

New Torpedo Said Killer

PASADENA, Calif. — A new torpedo that is fired from a ship by rocket, lowered into the water by parachute and then seeks out an enemy submarine automatically was disclosed by the Navy Monday.

The rocket-assisted torpedo, called RAT for short, "will extend a ship's submarine-kill zone to many miles," the Navy announcement said. The device can be installed on any destroyer with 3-inch gun turrets at relatively low cost.

A spokesman said tests have shown RAT to be "exceedingly accurate."

The Navy said a rocket propelled RAT from a destroyer over the target area, then a parachute lowers the missile to the surface of the sea. At this point the homing torpedo plunges beneath the surface and seeks out the enemy sub.

RAT is 16 feet long, weighs 450 pounds and was developed by the Naval Ordnance Test Station, whose facilities are located here and at China Lake, Calif.

Forest Fire Record Good

WASHINGTON — The Forest Service reports that intensive fire prevention activity paid off last year with the fewest man-caused forest fires in 24 years.

Edward P. Cliff, assistant chief, told the House Appropriations Committee in testimony made a public Sunday that in 1952 there were 3,269 man-caused fires in the national forests compared with an average of 5,600 during the preceding five years.

Cliff attributed the reduction to the "Smokey Bear" and "Keep Green" advertising programs and the employment of more rangers to police forest areas and check on fire hazards.

Total fires in national forests last year were down from a five-year average of 10,996 to 7,195, and total burned acreage was 133,446, compared with a 250,000-acre average.

Drake Rites On Tuesday

Funeral services for Roy Elmer Drake, 65, who died February 7 at Happy Camp in Siskiyou County, will be held from O'Hair's Memorial Chapel, at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 11. Officers of Klamath Falls Lodge No. 1247 will officiate. Final rites and interment will be in Linkville, where a son is buried.

Mr. Drake was a native of Carthage, Missouri and had been a resident of Tulelake for 30 years before leaving for Happy Camp to enter business in 1936. He had been a member of the Elks Lodge for many years.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Edgar Sawyer and three grandchildren of Duarte, California and one sister, Mrs. Ida McGuire, San Gabriel, California.

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