

STATE VISIT POSTPONED

SAIGON, Viet Nam (UP)—President Ngo Dinh Diem of South Viet Nam has postponed his trip to Burma to avoid arriving on the heels of Communist North Viet Nam's Ho Chi Minh, informed sources said today.

Diem did not want his state trip to Rangoon to come so close to the Red leader's visit as to provide comparison between the two receptions, the sources said. Official Viet Namese spokesmen refused to comment.

Father, Children Perish In Blaze

ALLIANCE, Ohio (AP)—A father and seven children died in a fire early today which destroyed their two-story frame home. Fire officials blamed an overheated coal furnace for the blaze.

The mother and a baby son escaped in the near-zero cold.

The victims were Robert L. Lilly, a shipper at the American Steel Foundries Co., and Cynthia, 13; Gregory, 11; Marshall, 8; Clara,

The largest amount of different colors that a human eye can distinguish are about 100,000. There is a machine, called the "spectrophotometer," which can distinguish two million different colors.

Court Records

KLAMATH COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
G. C. Millington, no visible registration, 2 years, 10 days.
Phil Chester Kippel, drunk, \$25 or 12 days.
William D. Showmaker, drunk, \$25 or 12 days.
Leonard Scott Jr., drunk, \$25 or 12 days.
Gonzalez Rambo, drunk, \$25 or 12 days.

KLAMATH COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
Leo T. Thaddeus, outlying property false pretenses, request preliminary hearing, set February 19, at 10 a.m.; bond set at \$3,000; remanded to custody of sheriff.

Leroy Victor Guerra, axle overload, \$20 bail forfeited.
Raymond Robert Perry, giving alcoholic liquor to a minor, \$250 fine and costs or 122 1/2 days in lieu of fine, committed.

Ralph Cummings, unlawful use of wholesale dealer plates, dismissed.
Harvey Flood, assault with dangerous weapon, request time consult an attorney; set Monday, February 17, at 10:00 a.m.; bond set at \$2,000; remanded to custody of sheriff.

Elmer A. Costberg, drawing check with insufficient funds to pay same, set February 13 at 9:30 a.m.; bond set at \$150; remanded to custody of sheriff.

Olga Theresa Overen, fail drive on right side, dismissed.
Pearl Alma Traile, violation of basic rule, \$10 paid.

Alvin Arthur Johnson, no PUC permit, \$20 bail forfeited.
Stable Dare Wolcott, drunk in private place, \$50 bail forfeited.

Aidan Ambrose Fenwick, violation of basic rule, \$10 paid.

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Political Issue Raised By Gas Bill Opponents

WASHINGTON (AP)—Self-styled Democratic liberals made it clear today they will be prepared to cite the Republican voting record on the natural gas bill both in Congress and in the fall election campaign.

Both proponents and opponents of the controversial measure agreed, however, that the bill's chances of passage were lessened by the tangle over a Texas group's tying support of the measure to a Republican fund-raising dinner.

Texas Republicans raised \$100,000 Monday night through a \$100-a-plate dinner in Houston, advertised as an appreciation dinner for House Republican Leader Martin (Mass). H. J. Porter, Texas Republican national committeeman, urged contributors to purchase tickets because, he said in a letter, Martin had helped to pass a natural gas bill in 1955 and would need to muster support of 65 percent of the GOP members to pass the bill this year.

Both the White House and the Republican National Committee disavowed any connection with the appeal and the national committee said it would accept none of the money. Porter and other Texas party officials said they did not know what would be done with the proceeds.

Martin said he also knew nothing in advance about the gas bill's connection with the dinner, which he said he considered "just another one of those Republican fund-raising dinners."

Democratic National Chairman Paul M. Butler said in a statement that Martin's name was

Parking Area Seeding Asked

J. D. Vestrees, county agricultural agent, has submitted recommendations for seeding the deer pens in the Moore Park Zoo. Bob Bonney, director of parks and recreation, has announced.

Bonney said the recommendations, made at a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Park and Recreation Department, call for seeding one half of each pen yearly so as to develop a turf of various types of suitable grasses which will prevent erosion and beautify the pens.

In other action, the director said that all the roads in the park, two and one-half miles, have been refinished at a cost of \$5,000.

"We reached a point," Bonney said, "that if we didn't do it now, it would have cost us much more later." He added that the work included the building up of road shoulders and adding a seal coat.

Child Beater Draws Term

LEBANON, Mo. (AP)—Bert Blackburn, 26, an illiterate Ozarks farmer, was sentenced yesterday to three years in prison for mistreating a 3 1/2-year-old son.

Blackburn's common-law wife Velie Davis, 24, was sentenced to two years in prison the day before on a similar charge.

Little David Lee Blackburn was so mauled and starved when he was brought to a Lebanon hospital by Blackburn's mother three weeks ago that doctors feared he would die. He had a fractured skull and bruises and abrasions all over his head, back and legs. One finger and one toe were missing. The top of another finger and part of his right ear were gone.

He is improving but still isn't strong enough to sit up.

Blackburn and Miss Davis accused each other of beating the boy with a coal shovel and a stick of fire wood. They were trying to train him to use the toilet. Both pleaded guilty before Circuit Judge Claude Curtis. Charges of adultery and gross lewdness were dismissed.

Welfare authorities took two other children, a girl 15 months old and a 5 1/2-year-old boy, from the filthy Blackburn shack. The court ordered them placed in foster homes.

IT'S ALL OVER

MANILA (UP)—Japanese officials expressed optimism today that two World War II stragglers would soon come out of their hideouts on Luban Island for repatriation to Japan.

A Japanese mission dropped packages Tuesday into the jungle area where the stragglers have been hiding since the war. The packages contained letters from their families, photographs, medicine, cigarettes, food and an imperial message declaring the war ended Aug. 15, 1945. Also included was equipment with which the stragglers could signal their whereabouts and their desire to be repatriated.

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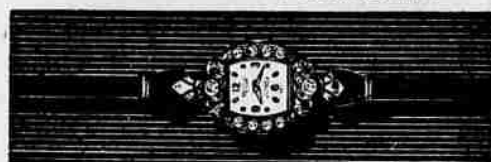
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