

First Lady Flies Flag

SARATOGA, Calif. (UPI)—Alaska's star-studded territorial banner flew proudly today from a pole in front of a home in this San Francisco Bay Area community.

It was brought down three weeks ago from Juneau by Mrs. Matilda Stepovich, wife of Alaska's governor, on the chance the territory would be admitted to statehood during the present session of Congress.

Mrs. Stepovich was breathless with excitement after learning the Senate had passed the Alaska statehood bill.

"It's terrific," she said. "People will be pouring into Alaska. Mike (her husband) called me after the vote and it's just killing me that I wasn't with him in the Senate for the vote."

Mrs. Stepovich is visiting her stepmother-in-law Mrs. Vuka Stepovich, with her eight children, aged 6 months to 10 years.

She said her husband has an appointment with President Eisenhower today. After he finishes his duties in Washington, he will fly to San Francisco to help her pack for the trip back to Juneau.

"Even the word state will make a difference in Alaska," Mrs. Stepovich said.

"Territory implies a wilderness, but now that Alaska is becoming a state, people will be pouring in. I'm sure that Hawaii will be next."

CITY BRIEFS

In Hospital—Herbert Munsell, local accountant, had surgery at University of California Hospital last week. He is recovering nicely, but will be in the hospital for approximately five more weeks. Friends may write him at Room 819, Herbert C. Moffitt Memorial Hospital, University of California, San Francisco.

Round Dance—Class sponsored by the Merry Mixers Wednesday, July 2, at 8 p.m. at the South Sixth Street Community Hall. Bill Mayhew will be instructor. Ladies please bring pastry or cookies.

Discontinued—The Friendly Circle meetings have been discontinued until the picnic tentatively planned for late July.

Dump Closed—The Klamath Falls garbage dump will be closed all day on July 4. Klamath Disposal, Inc. announces.

Guests—of Les Elder in Thompson Valley last week were Harold R. Crane, Corning, California; Alfred and Andy Collier and Vic O'Neil of Klamath Falls.

Lawmaker Asks Bypass

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Stewart L. Udall (D-Ariz) proposed today that the House bypass its Labor Committee and consider direct a Senate-passed labor control bill.

"I personally am trying to form a bipartisan front to urge that approach be taken," Udall told a reporter. He is a member of the Labor Committee. A two-thirds vote of the House would be required to take up the bill without prior committee consideration.

"There's no chance at all" for the bill, Udall said, if it is sent to the committee for hearings and other routine procedure this late in the congressional session.

Other members of the committee have expressed similar views, but Udall said that under the procedure he is considering "I think chances (of passage) are better than most people think."

The Senate measure, which grew out of Senate rackets investigations last year, is aimed chiefly at curbing thefts of labor funds and safeguarding the rights of union members. Among other provisions, it would require public disclosure of union finances through reports to the secretary of labor; and would require secret ballot election of union officers for limited terms.

Alaskans Catch Breath; Plan Solving Of Problems

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP)—Alaskans caught their breath today after tossing the wildest celebration since gold rush days, and looked ahead to a problem-packed future as the nation's biggest state.

They poured it on last night, with whistles, sirens, horns, bells and fireworks as they cheered news of the Senate's passage of the statehood bill. Street dances followed parades. In Sitka, one-time capital of Russian Alaska, drinks were on the house.

There seemed to be no possibility that either President Eisenhower or Alaskans would reject statehood now that Congress has approved it. But before Alaska's star is added to the flag, a monumental task faces the territory in preparing for actual admission to the Union.

Celebrants who have fought and dreamed of statehood for the vast territory set aside thoughts of the difficult period ahead and toasted victory.

At Fairbanks, the Chena River turned gold. Wildly happy residents poured dye into the stream near where one of Alaska's big gold strikes lured pioneers and sourdoughs at the turn of the century.

At Skagway, the gateway to the big Klondike gold strike of 1898 housewives paraded in the streets wearing embroidered badges that proclaimed:

"Bigger than Texas, better than California, Alaska—God's country."

At Anchorage, a huge bonfire blazed long through the overnight twilight in the Land of the Midnight Sun.

In every city of the territory, and in its scattered villages and towns, the celebration went on. Not everywhere, however, was the merry making as loud or spontaneous as it was at Anchorage and Fairbanks, centers for years of the statehood movement.

At Juneau, the capital and seat of conservative position to statehood, hundreds celebrated and cheered as a replica of the Liberty Bell was struck 49 times and as scores danced in the street under bursting fireworks and aerial displays. But a few residents grumbled and some protested that hardships and higher taxes were in store.

Even among long-time opponents of statehood, however, there was a general feeling that the past should be forgotten and that Alaskans should unite in the job ahead.

On The Record
SISKIYOU COUNTY BIRTHS
SMART—Born to Mr. and Mrs. David Smart, Mount Shasta, June 23, in the Siskiyou County General Hospital, Yreka, a daughter weighing 6 lbs.

HAMLETT—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamlett, Grenada, June 24, in the Siskiyou County General Hospital, a daughter weighing 7 lbs., 13 ozs.

STACK—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stack, Yreka, June 24, in the Siskiyou County General Hospital, a daughter weighing 6 lbs., 10 1/2 ozs.

HARRIE—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harrie, Etna, June 25, in the Siskiyou County General Hospital, a son weighing 6 lbs., 2 1/2 ozs.

PAUL—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Paul of Montague, June 26, in the Siskiyou County General Hospital, a daughter weighing 7 lbs., 10 ozs.

Weather Table
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
24 hours to 4:30 a.m. Tuesday

	Max.	Min.	Prep.
Baker	61	41	--
Eugene	74	55	--
Lakeview	66	50	--
Medford	72	55	.08
Newport	65	53	--
North Bend	69	58	.75
Pendleton	76	48	.01
Portland Airp't	68	51	T
Redmond	74	57	.50
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Iceland was first colonized by Irish monks in the year 875. It belonged to Denmark; became a free republic in 1944.

KILLED
CREMONA, Italy (UPI)—Gravedigger Luigi Bonvini, 66, was killed Monday while setting

a tombstone in place. He fell from a scaffolding while lifting the tombstone and it fell after him, crushing him to death.

The Virgin Islands (40 miles east of Puerto Rico) were purchased by the U.S. from Denmark in 1917 for 25 million dollars.

New Water Plan Stated

SACRAMENTO (AP)—Harvey O. Banks, state water resources director, says he will present a comprehensive plan for development of California's water to the new governor and the new legislature next January.

Banks conferred with Atty. Gen. Edmund G. Brown on water problems yesterday. Brown, the Democratic candidate for governor, says he is working on a water program which he will announce during the course of the campaign.

Banks said the department is continuing studies on the Feather River Project, key unit of the proposed California Water Plan, and other matters.

Last Rites Set For Educator

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP)—Private memorial services for Dr. Louise Pound will be held today at Wyuka Cemetery.

Dr. Pound, a noted educator and sportsman, died Saturday at the age of 85. For many years she was a University of Nebraska faculty member.

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