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NOTRE DAME, Ind. (AP)—The majority of America's Roman Catholic seminarians come from middle class families, are graduates of home-town high schools before entering seminary, and have at least one relative in the priesthood, a study by the Rev. Joseph H. Fichter, a sociology professor, shows.

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Whale Appears; Swimmers Leave

MALIBU, Calif. (AP)—A 40-foot killer whale suddenly popped up at Zuma Beach yesterday. Thousands of swimmers were ordered out of the water as the whale cruised along just beyond the breakers. "There were no dissenters," observed a lifeguard captain. "There was a regular stampede to get out." The whale continued slowly along the entire length of the beach, then turned out to sea and disappeared.



AFTER 56 YEARS APART, and more than a few transportation difficulties, these sisters held a happy reunion in Klamath Falls. Mrs. R. T. Trusty of Trail, left, had been expecting her sister, Mrs. Clara Schrader of Amesbury, Massachusetts, for several years. This year she came, but her anticipated arrival of Tuesday was delayed until Thursday by misplaced reservations and a train wreck. The sisters, then 10 and 12, last saw each other in Davenport, Nebraska, in 1902. Now they've gone to Trail for a long, informative visit.

Serious Aspects Pondered By 40th Legion Convention

CHICAGO (AP)—After a week of parading and merry-making, the American Legion moved to the serious aspects of its 40th annual national convention today. Some 3,000 delegates, in three days of business sessions in the Chicago Stadium, are to pass on some 600 resolutions ranging from child welfare to "Americanism."

Secretary of Defense Neil H. McElroy speaks tonight at the annual National Commander's Dinner.

An all-day parade along Michi-

gan Avenue by some 50,000 marchers, units of all military services and their massed colors, decorative floats and about 8,000 musicians featured the Labor Day activities.

An estimated 500,000 persons dressed in coats or heavy sweaters watched the parade in chilly 30-degree temperature.

In one prepared resolution, the Legion will be asked to reject a proposal for a general pension for all World War I veterans in favor of an increase in present non-service disability pension rates and relaxation of outside income restriction governing such pension.

In a prepared address, Ross L. Malone, president of the American Bar Assn., asked for Legion backing for the bar's "campaign to increase the effectiveness of our courts by removing the selection of the judges of state courts from the arena of partisan politics."

Malone told the convention judicial reform plans have been adopted in Missouri, California and Alaska and are in various stages of consideration in Illinois, Kansas, Ohio, Oregon, West Virginia and Iowa.

He said that "in contributing to the removal of the state courts from partisan politics you will be increasing the confidence of our citizens in their courts and thereby making another contribution to the maintenance of our representative form of government."

Oldtime RR Fetes Holiday

INDEPENDENCE, Ore. (AP)—The Valley and Siletz Railroad, which dips into the Willamette Valley but never does reach Siletz, had another hour of glory over the Labor Day holiday. It carried passengers again.

In fact there were 300 passengers—all enthusiasts for oldtime railroading.

They piled into the three old coaches, two gondolas and a caboose assembled for a special run over the line's 40-mile run from Independence to the summit of the Coast Range at Valseiz.

The line was named before construction started in 1912, and the name turned out to be grander than the line. It never did reach beyond the Coast Range summit, although surveys once were made all the way to Siletz.

The special run was sponsored by the Central Coast Railway Club of San Jose, which regularly arranges such railroad outings. Some 100 San Jose residents came along for the ride over the twisting grades and trestles of the line. Also along were others from the Bay area and Pacific Northwest rail enthusiasts.

They enjoyed everything but the locomotion. A steam engine could not be put into service, so diesel units were used.

Those are the same diesel units that normally carry logs over the line. The last previous passenger run was made in 1932.

Salvation Army Aid Seeker Dies

DALLAS (AP)—Elmer Herod, 50, went to the Salvation Army's downtown headquarters Thursday night and was issued a card entitling him to two meals and a night's lodging.

He was told to go to the organization's shelter in the south part of the city, a Salvation Army spokesman said.

But yesterday he was found unconscious in high weeds near the downtown section. He died less than an hour later of hunger and exposure, officials said.

Police said Herod apparently started walking, but collapsed of hunger in the high weeds.

Ecuador May Be Factor In U.S. Oil Exploration

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NEW YORK (UPI)—Little Ecuador which straddles the equator and up to now has been noted for its bananas, cocoa, coffee and banana hats, may be a factor in oil and minerals under U. S. exploration.

And Ecuador likes the USA in contrast with some South American countries where recently Vice President Richard Nixon received bad treatment from Communist-inspired mobs.

Universal Mineral Resources, Inc., has contracted with Ecuador for large-scale development of the magnetite-titanium beach sands which stretch for more than 100 miles along the Pacific.

Several North American companies are vying for choice acreage in some of Ecuador's established oil basins. Ecuador already is producing 3,500,000 barrels of oil annually from shallow wells.

Among the companies active in exploration in Ecuador are Standard Oil of California through its Ecuadorian subsidiary, California Ecuador Petroleum Co., Pantapac Oil Co., Carolina Oil Co., and Anglo-Ecuadorian Oil Fields, Ltd.

Universal's president, Lester Renard, reports that interest in Ecuadorian oil concessions trembled overnight following the Middle East uncertainty. He said negotiations involving millions of acres are now under way with one major U.S. producer with the signing of a contract imminent.

Universal Mineral now has more than 8,000 square miles of oil concessions and applications approved by the government of Ecuador which, in an effort to attract foreign capital, now offers as favorable tax and currency regulations as can be found anywhere.

The Universal contract was negotiated by Universal Mineral sources through its Panama subsidiary, the National Company, Ltd., with Kyanna Oil Company of Kentucky.

The contract calls for the company to pay six per cent of the net dollar value of the ore concentrates removed to the Ecuadorian government for the first 10 years, 6.5 per cent for the next 10 years and 7.5 per cent from the last 10 years of the 30-year agreement.

The section leased by Kyanna comprises less than one third of the "black sand" shoreline held under concession by Universal Mineral. It is estimated that there are more than 200 million tons of recoverable metallic concentrate along these beaches.

Ecuador which hasn't as much land as the state of Nevada,

hopes the oil and mineral developments will help solve its economic problems.

In a speech recently in New York, Dr. Jose R. Chiriboga, Ecuador's ambassador to the United States said, "We feel that we are only at the beginning of our industrial expansion. . . . We have all seen what happened in Venezuela and we have every reason to believe similar developments are in store for Ecuador over the next few years."

The fact that oil and mineral concessions are going to U. S. companies is seen as highly significant.

President of Ecuador, Camilo Ponce Enrriquez said at the time of Vice President Nixon's visit that the Soviet had made offers of aid which included technical assistance and establishment of industries on long term credits and tiny interest rates.

NEW PUBLICATION
PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The United Lutheran Church is launching a monthly religious music magazine. To be called "The Journal of Church Music," it's first issue will come out next January.

INTERMARRIAGE WARNING

BERLIN, Germany (AP)—Germany's Lutheran bishops have issued a strong statement warning against marriages between Catholics and Protestants as an obstacle to their achieving full spiritual harmony and keeping faith with their beliefs. "People who marry members of a different confession," the statement said, "shoulder a heavy burden."

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