

Airlift Plan For Athletes Goes Ahead

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Pentagon has overruled an Air Force decision to back out of plans to fly a team of handicapped athletes to the annual wheelchair basketball tournament in California.

Dep. Secretary of Defense Donald Quarles reversed the flight cancellation Friday after protests that the tournament might have to be called off.

Sen. Paul Douglas (D-Ill.) said the Air Force cancellation order may have been a reprisal against him for his Senate speech this week criticizing junkets in military planes.

Douglas spoke out after the Air Force canceled plans to fly 25 members of the University of Illinois Gizz Kids to the tournament, which begins next week at Garden Grove, Calif., and at El Toro, Calif., Marine Corps base.

"My objection," Douglas informed the Illinois team, "is to the hauling of dignitaries on the public jankets that are not in the public interest." He said he had not meant his criticism to apply to such groups as the handicapped athletes.

In overruling the Air Force, Quarles directed the military services to go ahead and fly teams from New Jersey, Brooklyn, New York City and Tampa, Fla., as well as the Illinois group, to the California tournament. The Navy and Marine Corps also will participate in providing the transportation.

A spokesman said Quarles based his decision on the point that crippled or handicapped veterans would benefit from the tournament, since proceeds from ticket sales are going to the Navy Relief Society Fund.

REUNION FOR EMPEROR
TOKYO (UPI)—Emperor Hirohito had a reunion Friday with 18 of his old classmates. It was the first such party held since the emperor graduated from the primary course at Gakushin school (formerly Peers school) 45 years ago.

TELLTALE CLUES
SALLISBURG, Okla. (AP)—Police here deduced that the thief they are looking for is: (1) poor (2) engaged. The only items stolen in a burglary were an emerald ring and a wedding ring.



OUT OF LUCK are the youngsters on the right who couldn't squeeze onto the packed merry-go-round at Ferguson School. Parents and Patrons of the school will hold a spaghetti dinner and fun night there April 3 to raise money for additional play equipment.

Playground Equipment Tops Needs

Playground equipment is the No. 1 item on the list of purchases to be made from proceeds Twyla Ferguson School Parents and Patrons hope to raise from a spaghetti dinner and fun night to be held in the school, April 3, according to Bill Hamilton, president of the group.

At present the school ground has only three pieces of outdoor play equipment. The county school budget does not include allowances for such purchases and funds must be raised through Parents and Patrons activities.

With the spaghetti dinner, Committee Chairman Jack Neipp promises a musical program by the local Barbershoppers, movies, bingo, fish ponds, television for fight fans, and other booths.

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Over Optimism Unwarranted

PORTLAND (AP)—Sen. Richard Neuberger (D-Ore.), back home during the Easter recess of Congress, told a press conference here Friday there is too much optimism about economic conditions in Oregon.

Neuberger cited figures showing the state's unemployment remained high during the week of March 7 and said an adequate national housing bill is vitally needed to spur the lumber industry. He added that this would boost the economy of the entire state.

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LOSH BEARDS will play a prominent part in the 1959 Barbershop Show April 18 at the Pelican Theater. Left to right are the "Tonsorial Four": Claude Davis, E. H. Cochrane, Dr. Frank Johnson and Jim Perkins.

Barbershop Show Here May Be Last

Rehearsals are being stepped up for what may be the last appearance of the Klamath Basin Barbershop Show which has delighted capacity audiences for 11 years.

Open use planned for the Pelican Theater, where the show has been held since 1948 with the exception of 1957, will probably mark the final performance of the popular attraction which has brought top barbershop quartet talent to Klamath Falls from the West Coast.

This year's show, which will center around Oregon's Centennial, is planned for April 18. Six quartets and two choruses, the Cascades from Eugene, and the local chorus, will perform with new and old scores. Quartets will be from Seattle, San Francisco, Salem, Coos Bay, Portland and Klamath Falls.

The Barbershop Show, a non-profit organization, has been slanted to the support of youth groups, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Camp Fire Girls, and an OTI scholarship. All funds accruing from tickets sales, with the exception of minor expenses, have been turned over to these groups in years past. Money from this year's show will go for the same purpose.

Tickets for the show are now on sale at Severy's Music Store, 126 North Seventh. Seats include both reserved and general admission.

Coeds Plan Frog Race

TOLEDO, Ohio (UPI)—Spurred by spring coeds at the University of Toledo are jumpyly anticipating the latest in silly college competitions—a frog race.

Coeds from each sorority will train and enter frogs in the meet April 24. The event is billed as the "world championship" frog race. No one has disputed the claim.

The race is to be staged in a natural amphitheater between the student union and the administration building during the lunch break.

Its sponsor, Phi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, expects a crowd of at least one thousand.

"We're just doing this for the heck of it," Carl White, an officer of the fraternity explained. "Nobody's going to profit. It's spring you know."

Wards Open New Store

LAKEVIEW—The grand opening of Montgomery Ward and Company's new mail order store took place on Thursday.

The store is located at 14 F Street, a main thoroughfare of the city.

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SHERON PORTER poses with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Porter of Silver Lake. Four-year-old Sheron is home again following five-and-a-half months of hospitalization to straighten her legs. —Photo by Parks

Child Happy To Be Home After Two Leg Operations

SILVER LAKE — Home is a happy place for 4-year-old Sheron Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Porter. And her family delights in the way she is able to run about.

Born with a deformed pelvis, Sheron's feet turned in. It took five and a half months at Shriner's Hospital in Portland for the necessary surgery.

Two separate operations were performed with a month between. Each leg was in a cast eight weeks.

Her family went to see her nearly every other week and she made the adjustment very well. She was happy with her friends there.

She was out of the second cast only two weeks before she returned to her home here. "Riding her tricycle has helped her most, but I give her physical therapy every day," says Mrs. Porter.

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