



THE SHOW HAD TO GO ON Saturday morning despite a freezing, traffic-snarling snowstorm. The local Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Klamath Merchants Association

were high in praise of participants and spectators who turned out in numbers in the numbing climate. A float entered by the Rainbow Girls, left, won the \$100 first prize.

The second-winning Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 6, float is at right. The Klamath Union High School marching band, center, and other marching units highstepped through the

flakes. In all, 17 entries joined the parade. Only one float could not be entered because roads were too slick to get it to Main Street.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

At a meeting in Klamath Falls this past week-end, participated in by the Oregon Legislative Interim Committee on Welfare, the Klamath County Welfare Commission, the Klamath County Medical Society and Miss Jeanne Jewett, Oregon state welfare administrator, the possibility of local control over local public welfare programs appears to have moved a step toward reality.

At the final session on Saturday morning, Miss Jewett indicated that the state administration feels that some authority can be delegated to local levels without jeopardizing federal matching funds. She added:

"We are moving toward a state supervised sort of thing where the physicians are the decision makers. . . . I think we have established here that the state commission is willing to go as far and as fast as it can to develop a program of that sort."

I think we can all go along with Hamlet in his celebrated soliloquy and say: "Tis a consummation devoutly to be wished."

In the modern world, what we call "public welfare" is becoming firmly established. I don't think any intelligent person would have it otherwise.

But— Unless welfare is wisely and soundly administered it can run away with itself and become so expensive that there will be a public revulsion against it, based on pocketbook considerations. After all, the public will submit to only SO MUCH in the way of taxes. When that point is reached and passed, there is likely to be a taxpayer rebellion. History is rather definite on that point.

The best way to avoid a situation of that sort is to keep administration of public welfare as close to the grass roots as possible.

Back in the early days of the welfare state, there were some startling examples of what can happen when "welfare" is permitted to run wild.

In the grim days of the Great Depression, which hit its peak in the early 1930's, we saw some astonishing things. In Detroit, people actually came down the river from their suburban homes IN YACHTS to collect relief money.

The administration of relief was then largely a federal matter. The final decision rested in Washington. These cases of yacht owners coming down in their yachts to collect relief money were appealed to the distant summit. At the distant summit, it was ruled that the purpose of relief was to "enable people to maintain the standard of living to which they had become accustomed."

So— The summit decision was that since these people had become accustomed to the private yacht way of life, they were entitled to receive relief money to enable them to MAINTAIN the way of life to which they had become accustomed.

Absurd? Of course it was. But that's what happens when administration of public relief is permitted to get too far away from the grass roots.

We don't want anything like that to happen here. We don't EXPECT anything like that to happen here. Those were exaggerated cases. And those were confused and panicky days. We hope—and believe—that such days and such conditions will never come to our country again. But at least these shocking incidents illustrate what can happen under remote control of relief funds.

The purpose of the movement that seems to have got under way in the Klamath country last week is to KEEP administration of public relief as close to the grass roots as possible.

It is a sound purpose.

France NATO Role Comes Under Fire

PARIS (AP)—France called "excessive and dramatic" today critical remarks made about this country last week by Gen. Nathan F. Twining, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Twining deplored delay by most West European members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in accepting U.S. atomic weapons and stockpiles and in integrating air forces into one air defense structure. He made it clear the United States feels France is the chief offender.

Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville expressed the French position on the Twining view to U.S. Secretary of State Christian

A. Herter. French sources said Couve de Murville "expressed his extreme surprise at the revelations by the American press of remarks made in the military committee, whose debates are, in principle, secret."

Couve de Murville also said Twining's remarks were of an "excessive and dramatic character," that the manner in which the problems were presented was out of proportion to the importance of the problems themselves.

Herter called on Couve de Murville at the start of nine days of concentrated Western talks aimed at shoring up NATO and preparing a summit-level meeting with the Soviet Union.

Rebs Pursued In Paraguay

BUENOS AIRES (UPI)—Loyal Paraguayan troops were reported advancing today on schoolboy rebels in the trackless jungles of Southern and Eastern Paraguay, and official announcements claimed victory over the insurgents.

Government forces were said already to have recaptured Caazapa, a village 87 miles north of the border which is believed to represent the deepest penetration achieved by the youthful refugees who streamed into Paraguay from Argentina over the weekend.

The rebels appeared to be still in control of the villages of Yegros, Yuty and San Juan Bautista and a fairly extensive area in the nearby jungles.

Maj. J. Cabanas, the victor of Caazapa, was believed to be moving southward toward the rebel-held villages, while troops normally stationed in the border town of Encarnacion moved north to close a pincer on the insurgents.

Weather

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Variable cloudiness through Tuesday. Highs 30-35; low tonight 15-20.

High Sunday 34
Low last night 15
Precip. past 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 .84
Same period last year 1.16
Low in area, Chiloquin 7

Northern California — Fair and warmer through Tuesday except partly cloudy in extreme north.

SHOOTING HOURS DUCKS, GEESE

OREGON
December 15
OPEN 7:25 CLOSE 4:35
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Ike Arrives In Greece

ATHENS, Greece (AP)—Working a 20-hour schedule, President Eisenhower said goodbye to India today and won rousing welcomes in Iran and Greece, both under the protective fold of U.S. military aid.

Here in Athens hundreds of thousands of Greeks turned out to cheer and wave. King Paul greeted the President enthusiastically at Athens' Ellinikon airport, saying the Greek people had watched his journey so far with deep emotion.

In reply, Eisenhower noted the long history of Greek culture and said Greece's steadfast devotion to democratic principles has won the admiration of the world.

"I assure you that the welcome from his majesty, the government, the people and the individuals here means very much to me," the President said, "and I hope that the discussions I will have with your government will be fruitful."

Premier Constantine Karamanlis and Crown Prince Constantine joined in welcoming the first U.S. president to visit Greece. The day was chilly and a light mist was falling.

The people were responding to Karamanlis' urging that they show their gratitude to the United States as the nation that helped Greece crush the Communists and end a bloody civil war. That was under the Truman doctrine, which came into play after the British withdrew their protection of Greece.

On the way from India the President spent six hours in Iran, much of it in talks with Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi — who wants more American aid.

Eisenhower praised Iran for refusing to stand on the sidelines in the West's resistance to communism.

A communique said the President and the Shah agreed on the importance of the Central Treaty Organization — the former Baghdad pact in preserving stability and security in the area. The communique added: "The President said the United States intends to continue to assist Iran in the mutual interest of both nations."

The Shah, who is to take his third wife next Monday, welcomed

Eisenhower while a flight of Iranian air force jets supplied by the United States, flew overhead spelling out "Ike."

The motorcade taking the President to the Shah's palace moved at times over roadway covered with Persian rugs. It was estimated 750,000 Iranians cheered the President.

It was one of the President's busiest days on his 11-nation tour. It was 4:35 p.m. by the time he arrived here and his day was not to end until about 10:30 p.m., after a dinner given by King Paul.

Tuesday the President will

board the cruiser Des Moines, which will carry him to Tunisia and France. This voyage will give him a day to rest.

His motorcade, including more than 20 cars and troops of motorcycle police, traveled on a broad six-lane highway into Athens in contrast to the narrow roads Eisenhower had seen in Pakistan and India.

The Acropolis, ancient Athens' fortified central hill, loomed in the distance. The cream white ruins of the 2,400-year-old Parthenon, often said to be the world's most perfect building stood out in the half light of dusk.

At the entrance of Athens proper—the arch built by the Roman Emperor Hadrian in the second century — the motorcade halted briefly. The motorcycle escort left the procession.

A mounted escort replaced it. Six buglers on brown steeds took their places at the head of the parade. A cavalry squadron rode behind.

Flood lights lit the white marble columns of the temple of the Olympian Zeus an ancient Greek monument which formed the backdrop for the change in escorts.

Huge crowds in a holiday mood roared their approval as Eisenhower and the King, dressed in a field marshal's uniform, passed by in an open Rolls Royce limousine.

Young girls in gaily colored native costumes pelted both with flower petals on the drive along the bright blue Aegean Bay into Athens' historic Constitution Square.

Eisenhower stood waving and smiling as the crowds cut loose with cheer after cheer. King Paul stood beside him.

The procession halted at Constitution Square, heart of modern Athens. Eisenhower and the King left the car to pay their respects at the tomb of Greece's Unknown Soldier in front of Parliament.

With the aid of Sgt. John A. Harris, a marine from Cleveland, Ala., Eisenhower placed a wreath on the tomb. There was a minute of silence. Then the President inspected a guard of honor.

Warden Shoots 2; Stops Escape Try

WALLA WALLA, Wash. (UPI)—Warden Bob Rhay of Washington State Penitentiary here today was credited with saving the life of a wounded prison guard when he stopped an escape attempt Sunday by shooting and critically wounding two of the three would-be escapees.

Rhay, who said he "didn't have time to think, but just acted," shot and wounded the two prisoners who made their bid for freedom as they were on their way from the maximum security portion of the prison into the visitors section of the administration building.

The warden took action after a security booth guard failed to open fire on the convicts when he was ordered to do so. The guard was suspended pending a hearing before the prison personnel board. His identity was withheld.

"I only had half a head to shoot at," said Rhay, as he described how he fired the shot which creased the head of Gordon P. Miller, 29, as Miller held a knife at the throat and threatened to kill guard Garmen Barnett, who already had been stabbed in the back. Miller regained consciousness a short time later and made another rush toward freedom when Rhay shot him in the back, critically wounding the inmate.

Barnett was recovering in a hospital today. The extent of his stab wounds was not immediately known.

Rhay also used a .38 caliber pistol to shoot Richard D. Petersen, 21, who charged the warden during the breakout attempt. Petersen, who was serving until 1961 on second degree murder and manslaughter convictions for killing his father and a policeman in 1955 at Pasco, Wash., today was considered the most seriously wounded. Rhay's bullet lodged only a fraction of an inch from his heart.

Rhay was called to the scene when a guard spotted one of the three inmates involved in the escape attempt to pass a knife to another. The prisoners had three hand made bombs. One of the bombs was thrown into the security booth during the breakout attempt but did no damage. Another was thrown later but did not explode.

Demos Adopt 'Peace Issue' For Campaign

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Democrats appeared today to have settled on a strategy for meeting the "peace issue" which has been their jittery about the 1960 presidential campaign.

Statements by party leaders in the past week indicated they hope to deal with the problem by arguing that the Eisenhower administration has jeopardized peace hopes by accepting "second place" in competition with Russia.

The "peace issue" is a term used by both parties to describe the administration's new willingness to negotiate with Russia and President Eisenhower's well publicized good will travels abroad.

The Democratic strategy was emphasized in a report by the party's Advisory Council and in speeches by two potential presidential nominees, Sens. Lyndon B. Johnson (Tex.) and John F. Kennedy (Mass.).

Other developments in the political field over the weekend included:

—Sen. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) said any Democrat would have a "most difficult time" against either Vice President Richard M. Nixon or Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller in the presidential race next year.

Why Buck Crowds?

SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

SP To Resume Daylight Sked

PORTLAND (AP)—Southern Pacific will resume daily operation of its Shasta Daylight trains between Portland and San Francisco starting Tuesday.

The daily holiday schedule will continue through Jan. 15. After that, the train will return to its wintertime three-times-a-week schedule.

Last Veteran Shows Rally

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Despite his 117 years, Confederate veteran Walter W. Williams has rallied once more in his latest bout with pneumonia.

Doctors noted slight improvement Sunday night in the condition of the Civil War's last surviving veteran, but said it nevertheless remained critical.

Williams has been fed intravenously since Friday. He had been unable to take nourishment for a week.

Balked At Role, Stole Spotlight In Church Play

LANCASTER, Pa. (AP)—Even though she got no billing on the printed program Sunday night, Sally stole the show.

It wasn't her acting that was impressive. She was only a walk-on. But she threw her weight around plenty and gave everybody a tough time.

The presentation was a Christmas dream pageant held by the First Reformed church.

The script called for Sally's presence on stage during part of the pageant, featuring children in costumes of biblical times.

But she balked at the church door and had to be carried in by two handlers. It took about 15 minutes to get her down the aisle and behind the footlights.

Once on stage, however, she played the part to a hilt. She nuzzled against the child actors and took bits of crackers and cookies from them. The reviews were good.

Sally's analysts were at a loss for an explanation—except perhaps she is just stubborn as a donkey.

Sally, you see, is a donkey.

Five Fatalities Listed As Weekend Traffic Toll

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A rising Oregon traffic death toll claimed the lives of three in one car, another man in a pickup truck and a Portland pedestrian over the weekend.

This pushed the state's highway fatality toll in the Associated Press count so far this year to 462. It stands at 22 for December.

Two young men and a woman died in a three-car accident early Sunday morning on Southwest Barbur Boulevard in Portland. It sent seven others to hospitals. Two remain in critical condition.

The three killed outright all were in one car, driven by Robert M. Seethaler, 21, Portland. Seethaler and two passengers in his car were the victims. The other two were William E. Barratt, 23, and Judy A. Lynch, 23, both of Portland.

The third passenger, Kathleen Marino, 19, Portland, was in critical condition. One of four Salem teenagers in one of the other cars, Richard S. Muhs, 15, also was in very critical condition.

With Muhs, who was driving, were Wayne Eatherly, 15; Jack Marr, 15; and Stephen Lee Billings, 18. All were in satisfactory condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude K. Smith, both 23, of Southwest Lewis Lane, Tigard, were in the third car. Smith was treated and released and his wife was held for observation, although in good condition.

Police said Seethaler was passing another car headed north on the boulevard near where it becomes 4th Avenue at the Sheridan Street crossing. His car, officers said, hit the southbound car of the four Salem youths and bounced into the car carrying the Smiths that he was attempting to pass.

The Muhs boy suffered jaw and left ankle fractures, an eye injury and facial cuts. Young Eatherly's injuries included face and scalp cuts and right hand injury. Marr and Billings sustained cuts and bruises.

Some 20 miles northeast of Baker, Frank J. Herron, 33, of La Grande was killed when his pickup and a Greyhound bus collided. His two passengers were injured.

Nobody on the bus was injured in the Sunday morning accident on a curve. The driver of the bus was Raymond Memmet, Boise.

The passengers with Herron were Glenn Nice, 41, La Grande, and Jim B. Herron, Hinkle. Both were hospitalized. Nice with concussion and shock and Herron with a left arm fracture and shock.

The Portland pedestrian killed was James L. Davis, 68, struck down Saturday by a Portland Traction Co. bus at Southeast 7th Avenue and Burnside.



MERRY MIXERS square dancers were more exuberant than usual Saturday when acting Mayor Walter Fleet cut a ribbon, opening the Mixers' new dancing headquarters on Lakeport Boulevard to public view. The opening climaxed a big expenditure and a lot of work following purchase of the crumbling store building from the Car-Ad-Co company early this fall. On Fleet's right is Lynn Lee, Merry Mixers president.