

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Interesting question:

Why did Mr. Nelson Rockefeller withdraw from the contest for the Republican nomination for President?

This is the reason he gave: "The great majority of those who will control the Republican nomination stand opposed to ANY CONTEST for the Presidential nomination."

Those are HIS OWN words.

The Democratic hopefuls have chosen to interpret them as meaning that the delegates to the Republican national convention will be hard-boiled standpatters who wouldn't accept a nominee of Mr. Rockefeller's type. Mr. Adlai Stevenson says: "He (Mr. Rockefeller) often seems like a thoughtful and sincere liberal, and for the sake of the country I regret that his views found so little encouragement in his party."

Senator Lyndon Johnson says: "I am not surprised. It has been obvious for some time that there is no place in the national Republican party for the able and progressive governor." California's Governor Brown says: "The Republican party turned deaf ears to a newer and more liberal voice than that of Vice-President Nixon. The conservatives are in complete charge."

Those are politically slanted statements, drawn from men who hope to be the Democratic nominee. They are dictated by the HOPE of discrediting the Republican party, and thus making more certain the election of a Democratic President.

It is quite possible that Mr. Rockefeller didn't mean it that way. The words he chose could have meant that in the opinion of those who will be chosen as delegates to the Republican convention Mr. Nixon has EARNED THE RIGHT to the Republican nomination.

A lot of people think he HAS earned that right.

Over long decades of our history nominees for the vice-presidency were chosen as a kind of stalking horse—somebody who would look good to the voters, with relatively little consideration of his qualifications to be President.

Times are changing. The responsibilities of the Presidency are becoming so tremendous that it is becoming obvious to all of us that grave considerations dictate the need that nominees for the vice-presidency must measure up to the responsibilities of the Presidency.

We are even coming to look upon the vice-president as a kind of APPRENTICE President. The burdens of the Presidency are now such that it is always possible that the President may BREAK UNDER THE STRAIN.

If that should happen—and it COULD happen—our survival as a nation would hang upon the ability and the experience of the vice-president. It is generally recognized that Mr. Nixon's experience in these years of strain and stress and danger have qualified him to be the next President of the United States.

That could be what Mr. Rockefeller meant when he gave as his reason for withdrawing from the contest his belief that "the delegates to the Republican convention will stand opposed to any CONTEST for the Presidential nomination."

### THE LITTLE WOMEN

MIDDLETOWN, Conn. (UPI)—Asked why he was late in court to face bigamy charges by his first wife, Worthington Spencer blamed his second wife for not waking him up in time.

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## Crescent City Menaced By Tug Explosion

### Rockefeller Under Press To Accept VP

ALBANY, N. Y. (UPI)—New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller was under strong pressure today to accept the number two spot on the GOP ticket in 1960 while Democrats viewed his withdrawal from the presidential race with hopeful optimism.

Rockefeller became the overwhelming favorite for the Republican vice presidential nomination with his announcement Saturday that he was bowing out of the presidential race.

Republican quarters viewed the move as an open door to the White House for Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Democrats claimed Rockefeller's withdrawal boosted their chances for capturing the presidency in 1960. They said Nixon would be an easier candidate to beat than Rockefeller.

A nationwide survey by United Press International indicated Rockefeller would be under ever increasing pressure from within the Republican party to accept the number two spot on the GOP ticket.

Republican strategists believe a Nixon-Rockefeller ticket would be almost unbeatable.

However, Rockefeller has repeatedly stated that he would not accept a bid to run for the vice presidency. He stated as recently as last Saturday that he would not "at any time entertain any thought of accepting" the vice presidential nomination.

Rockefeller's apparently adamant stand on the issue could disrupt hopes for a Nixon-Rockefeller ticket, Rockefeller has a reputation for meaning what he says.

### Allies Suggest May Meeting

PARIS (UPI)—The Western Allies have decided to suggest May 16 as the date for a postponed summit meeting here with the Russians, diplomatic sources said today.

They said separate but similar letters from the United States, Britain and France suggesting the new date will be sent to Moscow today or Tuesday.

The Western Allies had proposed previously that the Big Four summit meeting be held here April 27. Premier Nikita Khrushchev approved the idea in principle but vetoed the date, saying it would interfere with the traditional Communist observance of May Day in the Soviet capital.

Diplomatic sources said the West decided over the weekend to reject April 21 and May 4, the alternate dates proposed by Khrushchev. The earlier date would conflict with President Charles de Gaulle's scheduled U.S. visit, while the later one would coincide with a Commonwealth meeting in London.

Western diplomatic sources said Khrushchev's schedule should make it possible for him to accept the proposed May 16 date.



ICE SKATING WAS WONDERFUL over the weekend on Upper Klamath Lake. Here, youngsters enjoy this winter sport on the lake adjacent to Moore Park. Youngsters in the right foreground are, left to right, Linda Hicks, Stephanie Guderian and Dawn Yahraus. Meanwhile, ice skating enthusiasts found that the city rink at Moore Park also opened for activity over the weekend.

### Blizzard Hits Midwest Belt

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Wind-whipped snow trapped scores of motorists today in the broad Midwestern storm belt.

Snow plus cold and winds that ranged up to 50 m.p.h. formed blizzard conditions in some areas.

Almost 100 stymied motorists spent the night in private homes and the basement of the city hall in Russell, Kan. Passengers slept aboard two stalled buses.

The snowfall stopped in Russell after piling up to a 7 inch depth. Road crews bucked gusty winds to try to open drifted roads. U.S. 40 and U.S. 261 were closed temporarily in the Russell area.

Many highways in northwestern Missouri, southwestern Iowa and southeastern Nebraska were clogged by drifts.

At one time during the night more than 150 cars were held up on Iowa Route 92 between Council Bluffs and Treynor. Two trucks overturned and others jack-knifed on hills.

The storm hit the southern plains Sunday and rolled northeastward today.

Warnings of heavy snow—4 inches or more borne by winds of 30 to 50 m.p.h.—were issued for western Iowa, eastern Nebraska, southwestern Minnesota and eastern South Dakota.

Hazardous driving warnings were issued for northern Wisconsin and lower Michigan along with forecasts of freezing rain, sleet and snow.

Lincoln, Neb., was plastered by 8 inches of snow. All bus traffic was halted there. Maryville, Mo., had 7 inches of snow.

### SHOOTING HOURS DUCKS, GEESE OREGON

December 29

OPEN 7:35 CLOSE 4:45

### CALIFORNIA

December 29

OPEN 7:34 CLOSE 4:40

### Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Generally fair through Tuesday, with night and morning fog in valleys and some variable high clouds at times. Highs 34-40; low tonight 8-15.

High Sunday 35  
Low last night 17  
Precip. past 24 hours 0  
Since Oct. 1 1.00  
Same period last year 1.81  
Low in area (Chiloquin) 11

North California—Fair with variable high cloudiness through Tuesday; little change in temperature.

### CRATER LAKE

High yesterday 39  
Low last night 24  
8 a.m. today 25  
No new snow  
Snow depth 31  
Snowfall to date 71

Chains are advised for travel on Highway 62 through the park and from Annie Springs to the rim. Skies were clear this morning, wind calm and no new snow in the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

### Teens Throng Into Capital

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The nation's capital was invaded today by nearly 12,000 teen-agers from all parts of America, here to prove that there is no necessary link between the words juvenile and delinquency.

The young people, who arrived by special trains and chartered buses, will participate in a three-day convention sponsored by the Youth for Christ International (YFC).

YFC is an interdenominational Protestant organization which conducts programs of Christian evangelism among teen-agers, particularly the four million U.S. high school students who are not members of any church.

Evangelist Billy Graham, who began his career as a member of the Youth for Christ staff in 1943, will speak to the teen-agers at the closing rally of the convention Wednesday.

### Police Arrest 7 Workers With Guns At Meat Plant

ALBERT LEA, Minn. (AP)—Police today arrested seven men entering the strike troubled Wilson & Co. meat packing plant here for carrying firearms through the gates.

There were no disturbances, however, as cars carrying nonunion workers streamed into the grounds of the plant, reopened today under federal court order.

The wife of the Freeborn County sheriff said the seven men were jailed and seven weapons confiscated. In the absence of the sheriff, who was on duty near the plant, she did not know what charges had been lodged against the seven, she said.

The plant resumed operations under protection of National Guardsmen, sent here 2½ weeks ago to quell picket line violence.

The United Packinghouse Workers of America had only token pickets at the gates as cars carrying workers streamed into the grounds this morning.

Martial law in Albert Lea and surrounding Freeborn County was lifted at midnight in compliance with the court order that reopened the plant.

# GN Train Derailed

## 10 Injured As Train Hit By Pair Of Massive Slides

SEATTLE, Wash. (AP)—Two massive earth slides in the space of 20 minutes pushed part of a crack 13-car passenger train into Puget Sound 12 miles north of here Sunday.

Ten persons—six of them crew members—were injured, none seriously.

The Great Northern Railway's Empire Builder, bound for Chicago with 188 passengers aboard, was about 30 minutes out of Seattle when the first slide struck. It derailed a four-unit diesel locomotive.

Twenty minutes later, with help already on the scene, another slide again slammed into the diesel units.

It carried the diesel units and a baggage-mail car out into the Sound. A mail-dormitory car was left teetering on a seawall.

Strung out along the tracks were six other cars, all derailed but still standing upright. Four pullman cars and a diner stayed on the tracks.

Coast Guard vessels based here had reached the scene before the second slide struck. Four train crew members ran for their lives and managed to scramble into a Coast Guard boat only seconds before the earth, mud and debris

rumbled across the tracks.

About 700 feet of track was covered with debris up to 15 feet deep. Some 650 feet of track was ripped up. There was no immediate estimate of damage.

Most seriously injured was Patrick H. Burns, 62, of Seattle, the train engineer. He suffered a shoulder separation and a fractured shoulder. Burns and the other injured were hospitalized here. Most of them were brought to Seattle by boat.

"All of a sudden the whole hillside was coming down on the track," fireman Melvin Rake, 29, of Seattle said later. "It was the trees I saw moving first, then the rocks."

Rake and Burns were both knocked unconscious by the force of the first avalanche. Rake suffered only abrasions of the left leg.

A passenger, Mrs. Ericka Bufalaw of Larson Air Force Base, Moses Lake, Wash., was riding in the observation car when the slide hit.

"I saw a storm of mud coming over the tree tops," she said. "It happened so fast I couldn't scream."

Operations to clear the tracks got underway almost immediately. Railway officials said they expected to have at least one set of tracks cleared by Monday afternoon.

The cars which remained on the rails were brought back here Sunday night and were rerouted over Milwaukee Railroad tracks to Spokane, Wash.

The slides occurred between Carkeek Park, in Seattle's north-end, and a suburban Richmond Beach. The tracks in the area run close to the shoreline and directly below a towering 100-foot bank.

One of the diesel units, each of which weighs 125 tons, was shoved about 150 feet out into the sound. Rake and Burns were rescued from the partially submerged engine by a Coast Guard launch.

T. M. Joselyn, the train conductor, said a track inspector had covered the route only an hour before the accident and had noticed nothing amiss.

### Couple Rejects Telly For Baby; Neighbors Fuss

WHITLEIGH, England (UPI)—A couple who planned to give away their fourth baby so they could afford a television set have decided against it because of pressure from the neighbors.

"Dozens of people told us that if we gave the child away 'You've had it.' Well, you can't do without neighbors," said Bill Williams.

Williams, 35, makes \$21 a week as a landscape gardener.

"We have three boys," he said, "that's all we wanted. It was either keeping the baby that is coming or getting the telly. I couldn't afford both."

"But because of a slip of the tongue the neighbors got to know. There was hell to pay. So the missus and I decided not to give the child away and forget having the telly."

### Touch And Go For 3 Hours; City Deserted

CRESCENT CITY, Calif. (AP)—For three hours it was touch and go in this north coast harbor town.

A tug boat exploded next to a barge loaded with 800,000 gallons of high octane gasoline.

When the peril ended Sunday, one man was missing and believed dead, another was burned. Four were pitched into the bay by the force of the morning blast.

The downtown district of Crescent City a community of 2,750, was evacuated. Fishing boats, tied up during the holidays, lifted anchor. Many carried local residents.

The blast had the force of an earthquake in the waterfront area. It was felt as far away as Brookings, Ore., 30 miles to the north.

The missing man was Gordon McCullum, 22, of Seattle, a deck hand on the tug Celilo. The vessel belonged to the Upper Columbia River Towing Co., Portland, Ore., and had just arrived from San Francisco with the gasoline-laden barge.

Lawrence Hanson, 31, of Coos Bay, Ore., was treated at Seaside Hospital for facial burns and released.

Hanson said gas from the 97-foot barge spilled and "was sucked into the engine room through a ventilator. The engine room filled with gasoline vapor. The diesel engines ran wild."

A Coast Guard cutter pumped water on the tug while the entire Crescent City Fire Department—plus volunteers—fought shoreline fires and flash fires aboard the highly volatile barge.

Joe Duvic, The Dalles, Ore., personnel man for the Upper Columbia Towing Co. which owns the Celilo, said the other crewmen were:

Donald Rabe, skipper, of North Dalles, Ore.; John Covey, mate, Albany; John Curtiss, assistant engineer, Portland; Jerry Green, deck hand, Crescent City, and B. A. Walker, cook, from near Los Angeles.

### Revolt Move Menaces Iraq

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—Reports of unrest sweeping southern Iraq fueled speculation today that Premier Abdel Karim Kassem may be moving troops into the area to counter a threat of revolt rather than to launch any move against Iran.

Iraqi tradesman crossing the border from Basra into Iran said opposition to Kassem's regime is mounting, with tribesmen arming farmers and other civilians for an open revolt. There was no way of determining the accuracy of the reports.

One merchant said a demonstration had been staged against Kassem in the Iraqi village of Amerah and anti-Kassem leaflets distributed.

### Skaters Cram Moore Arena

Ice skaters took over the rink at Moore Park again Sunday night following a thaw which ruined the ice for a few days. Their numbers were legion, said City Parks and Recreation Director George Price, and more are expected.

More than 500 persons, all skaters, crammed the rink, the warming hut and the concession stand.

Price said skating will be allowed nightly, seven nights per week until weather prevents it. He and his staff are preparing a special program for New Year's Eve.

The rink, usually open from 7 until 10 p.m., will stay open until 12:30 a.m. Price said he isn't sure which events will be featured, but he is contemplating men's and women's races for various age groups, with prizes awaiting winners.

Skaters should bring their own skates, since no rentals are available either at the rink or at sport shops in town. Sales of skates have been heavy, shop operators reported, but stocks are still in good shape.

Price warns skaters, especially if they are very active, not to wear too many clothes. The physical effort of skating will keep them warm, and the warming hut is well heated and big enough to accommodate around 200 persons.

### Two Politicos Start Journey On Bull, Donkey

PICKENS, Miss. (UPI)—Two determined politicians left this small town today astride a donkey and a bull, plodding relentlessly on to the state capital to fulfill an election promise.

Sen.-elect Hugh Bailey, 35, and Constable-elect Buster Montague, 31, arrived here Sunday after riding most of the day in a down-pour.

The two promised voters four months ago that, if elected, they would ride a donkey and a bull from Winona to Jackson. They began their 90-mile jaunt Saturday morning and made 31 miles the first day.



LOCAL SORORITIES backed up the hospital fund survey when they handed Loren Palmer, member of the hospital fund board of directors, a check for \$225. Shown with Palmer in back row, left to right, are Shirley Orahoad, Tau, and Shirley Eccles, Xi Alpha Theta. Front row, same order, Jonnie Vanish, Kappa, and Elsie Warren, Xi Delta.



MAURY CLARK, local automobile dealer, center, is the newly-elected president of Klamath Falls Chapter, Oregon Pilots Association. Left is H. O. Juckeland, vice president, and right is Charlie Mack, secretary. The rapidly growing Klamath Falls Chapter is the largest and most active in Oregon. The new officers took over at the second annual meeting, December 19, 1960 objectives of the pilots is promotion of a West Coast route between Klamath Falls and Reno and installation of a manned weather station here.