

Nora's Ark

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UPI)—County Judge J. C. Duvall called Nora Perkins before the bench to answer charges of carrying a pistol.

A tall, muscular Negro man strode forward. "You must have misunderstood me," Duvall said.

"Yes, sir, judge, that's me, that's my name." "How did you get a name like that? Were your folks expecting a girl when you were born?"

"No, sir," Perkins replied. "They named me for the man who built that big boat. You know—Nora's Ark."

The judge dismissed the case.

The question implied that the President, who is a Republican, is using the nation's defense program to MAKE BIG MEDICINE for the Republican party.

Ike, the dispatches report, "bristled." He asked the (woman) reporter whether she was making a speech or asking a question.

President Eisenhower shot back that he RESENTED any implication that the defense program is being run on a partisan basis.

He added that he believes the program is being handled well, and that he believes he knows more about defense than anyone else in this country.

Good for Ike! He is the world's most experienced soldier. As commander of the greatest military force ever assembled since the world began, he won the world's biggest and bloodiest war.

It can be taken for granted, I think, that he knows more about our national defense than all his critics put together.

Let's add— We can safely take it for granted that President Eisenhower isn't going to DELIBERATELY let our enemy get disastrously ahead of us just to make a few votes for the Republican party.

What about the rest of us? That's something else again. It sometimes looks like everybody else in the country is using the defense program, in one way or another, to butter his own bread.

Professional GOP's want to use it to make it appear that the Republican party is the nation's only possible savior.

Professional Democrats want to use it to make the GOP look like a band of crooks.

There are times when even our three major military services look like a bunch of children squabbling over a sack of candy to see who is going to get the MOST OF THE SUGAR.

There are moments when it looks like a mess.

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Two Officials Of Mine Firm Die In Crash

MINERSVILLE, Utah (UPI)—Two officials of the Utah Construction and Mining Co. were killed and four other persons injured Wednesday when a twin-engine Lockheed Lodestar slammed into the side of a 6,400-foot mountain eight miles south of this southwestern Utah community.

Killed in the crash were J.A. Mecla, 42, general vice president of the firm and manager of the mining division, and Homer Mann, 40, manager of the mining services.

Sheriff Otto Fife said Mecla died about three hours after the crash in an ambulance en route to Cedar City, about 33 miles south of the crash scene.

Survivors walked to the Minersville-Cedar City road about two miles east of the wreckage.

Pilot Douglas D. Garneau, 40, Lafayette, Calif., and copilot, James L. Wisman, 34, Concord, Calif., suffered minor cuts and were treated then released from the Millford Hospital.

Two mining engineers, B.B. Greenlee, 49, and Keith G. Wallace, 33, both of Los Altos, Calif., suffered burns, cuts and shock.

Garneau reported to his firm that he was trying to "let down" near Millford because of an overcast.

Plant Seizure Bill Offered

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sens. Jacob K. Javits (R-NY) and George D. Aiken (R-VT) today introduced a bill to permit government seizure of plants to avert strikes that would endanger the national health or safety.

They said the measure is designed to avert economic dislocations such as that caused by the just settled steel strike.

In a statement Javits and Aiken said their bill would authorize the President first to appoint a public fact finding board to recommend terms of settlement of any labor dispute threatening to cause a national emergency.

If that step should fail, the President would be empowered to direct the attorney general to petition the courts to throw the affected facilities into receivership and appoint a special receiver to operate the facilities in the name of the government.

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MISS MARCH OF DIMES, selected Tuesday night, is Barbara Olson, dark-haired KUHS senior who was one of 10 girls competing for the title in the March of Dimes auction.

Mine Boss Steps Down; Finishes 40-Year Career

WASHINGTON (AP) — John L. Lewis steps down today from his spectacular 40-year career as president of the United Mine Workers Union.

Lewis is retiring from a lifetime spent improving the lot of the coal miners, organizing millions of workers in the steel, auto and many years, this choice could be the UMW's chief.

Two long time aides of Lewis—W. A. (Tony) Boyle and Michael F. Widman Jr.—top the list of possibilities to become the new UMW vice president.

Boyle, president of the UMW's District 27 covering Montana, North Dakota and Alaska, spends all his time at union headquarters here in charge of enforcing UMW contracts.

Widman, 59, is Lewis' top assistant, credited with directing the Ford Motor Co. organizing drive when Lewis headed the old CIO.

Trade Group To Be Formed

PARIS (AP)—The United States and 19 of its trading partners today approved a proposal which will lead to establishment of a new Western trade and aid organization.

Representatives of the group created a four-man committee to draw up a tentative charter. Immediately named as members were W. Randolph Burgess, U.S. ambassador to NATO; Bernard Clapier, French Finance Ministry economic expert; and Xenophon Zolotas, governor of the Bank of Greece.

A fourth member will be British. He is expected to be Sir Paul Gore-Booth, Foreign Office economic adviser.

U. S. Under Secretary of State C. Douglas Dillon told a special meeting of Atlantic economic partners that U. S. participation in the new organization was conditioned only on the approval of Congress.

Dillon spoke to a ministerial meeting of the Organization for European Economic Cooperation (OEEC), which the new organization will replace and strengthen. The United States now participates on a consultative basis, along with Canada, in OEEC discussions.

High Winds, Tornadoes Rip Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—High winds and tornadoes whipped across north central Texas and into Oklahoma early today, doing considerable damage.

High winds and what police said was a tornado whipped across Oklahoma City, another funnel dipped down on a rural area near Ada in southeast Oklahoma, and a third was sighted in the air near McLoud in east central Oklahoma.

A small twister struck a flight line at Perrin Air Force Base near Denison, Tex., a few miles south of the Oklahoma border.

Three planes and a trailer house used for a helicopter alert center were damaged. Widespread but minor wind damage was reported in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

The path of the storm in Oklahoma City, which hit about 5 a. m., was described as one to two blocks wide and two miles long. Damage was confined principally to broken windows and torn roofs.

Residents of the Ditzhugh community 10 miles southwest of Ada said two houses had been unroofed, several barns damaged and numerous outbuildings on farms in the area blown down.

That storm hit about 6 a. m. Ada is about 85 miles southwest of Oklahoma City and McLoud about 30 miles east.

Oklahoma City Police Lt. H. C. Briscoe said he had sighted the funnel cloud and trailed it across the city.

Election Bill Bogs Down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Efforts to limit primary campaign spending as part of a clean elections bill ran into strong opposition today from Republican and Southern Democratic senators.

Inclusion of primaries has been proposed as an amendment to a bill which would require fuller reports of campaign financing and increase legal spending ceilings for candidates and political committees.

Present law, and the bill as drawn, apply only to general election campaigns.

Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga) said the amendment is opposed by all the Southern senators and also, he believes, by more than half of the Republican senators.

He said he couldn't conceive of a majority of the senators voting for it.

Sen. Carl T. Curtis (R-Neb), top GOP member of the committee that handled the bill, said that he is opposed to the amendment and that so is Sen. Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois, the Senate Republican leader.

He told newsmen that in his opinion adoption of the amendment would kill the whole bill.

The amendment to make the measure apply to primaries and nominating conventions was offered by Sens. Thomas C. Hennings Jr. (D-Mo) and Kenneth B. Keating (R-NY).

Peruvian Quake Victims Receive Supplies, Aid

LIMA, Peru (AP)—Supplies and other aid were rushed today to Arequipa, victim of Peru's second severe earthquake in less than a month.

At least 63 persons were reported killed and 200 injured in the south Peruvian city. Communications with the capital were broken Wednesday night and officials said the toll might be much higher.

Five plane-loads of medical supplies were readied. President Manuel Prado and Premier Pedro Beltran planned to accompany one of the planes.

Many of Arequipa's 80,000 residents slept in the streets following the last of three tremors that leveled houses and stores and knocked over telephone poles.

About 60 per cent of the city and its suburbs was reported destroyed or seriously damaged. Officials said the city's morgue was filled with bodies dug from the debris and rubble.

Immediate identification was impossible in many cases because of the mutilated condition of the victims.

Planes and troops arriving with rescue equipment and relief supplies found large sections of the city and suburbs without water supplies and communication facilities.

The shocks, felt in Volvina and Rhile, also cut off several highways leading into Arequipa, which is about 460 miles southeast of Lima.

Most residents of the city, located at the foot of the El Misti volcano, were asleep when the first tremor came early Wednesday.

Last night about 50 seconds, it caused the major destruction. Alberto Malega, a teacher who managed to get passage on a plane bringing out refugees, said he saw people running frantically to escape crumbling buildings only to fall under the wheels of automobiles racing through the streets.

Another refugee reported seeing 10 persons buried when the roof of a market collapsed.

The second and third shocks came at noon and 4 p. m., but then most of the people were huddled in the streets and clear of falling walls and roofs.

Most of the casualties were reported from the suburbs of Tingo, Tiabaya, San Lazaro and Miraflores. A quake in 1958 took 28 lives in the same area.

Wednesday's quake caused strong tremors in Cuzco and Iza, but there were no reports of major damage in either city. The shocks also were felt in Lima.

During Christmas week six tremors violently shook the Ayacucho department in southern Peru, killing 17 and injuring 50.

Wilson Seen As New Chief Of Minnesota

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS There's a chance Dr. O. Meredith Wilson, president of the University of Oregon, may be named the new president of the University of Minnesota today.

There have been reports for several days that Wilson was under consideration for the new job. Wilson left Eugene by plane Wednesday night for Minneapolis, and later a Minneapolis television station said Minnesota would announce the name of the new president this afternoon.

Engineer Sends Gift To New Born

PASADENA, Calif. (AP)—They were strangers but they struck up a friendship in passing.

Every other day he roared past at the throttle of a passenger train diesel engine. Joanne Willens sat on her front porch—30 feet from the track.

They started waving, as folks do.

Mrs. Willens, expecting a baby and pretty much confined to home, began looking forward to 12:35 p. m. as a welcome break in the routine day.

Then she went to the hospital. A week later she brought little Steven Mark Willens home.

Her first day back she proudly held her new baby up to the window when the train rolled by. The engineer gave a handclasp like that of a victorious fighter.

Their minds must have been working alike. Two days later the engineer held up a sign: "A boy?"

Even as the question was asked, Mrs. Willens answered it; she held up her own sign: "A boy!"

A few days later the train approached much more slowly than usual. She was on the front porch. The engineer gestured for her to go close to the tracks.

As the train slowed, the assistant engineer jumped off and handed her a box. Inside was a little knit suit and a card: "To a sweet little boy. Best wishes to all, Dan C. Kurtz, engineer, Santa Fe No. 20."

Girl's Killer Being Sought

NATIONAL CITY, Calif. (UPI)—The FBI and police in Mexico and here today sought a sex maniac who sexually assaulted Mary Lou Olson, 10, and strangled her by stuffing paper in her mouth.

Authorities attempted to check out the identity of a man reported seen by a farm housewife leaving the barren scene 15 miles south of Tijuana, Mexico, where the body was discovered Tuesday night.

The housewife said she saw the man get out of his car about four days ago, leap over a fence and disappear in the ravine where Mary Lou's body later was found. She said her son also saw the man, but neither of them could give police a detailed description.

A preliminary autopsy Wednesday showed the girl might have been killed four to six days after she disappeared from her home here Jan. 3, but Dr. James T. Weston, chief autopsy surgeon for San Diego County, said Wednesday night it was possible she was killed shortly after her abduction.

He said her body was in water in the ditch for some time and that it may have been preserved, thus giving the appearance of having been dead a shorter time.

Weather

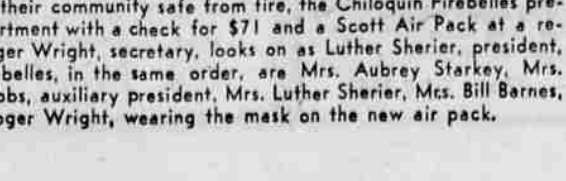
FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy with occasional snow flurries tonight. Clearing Friday. Low tonight 0 to 8; high Friday 28-34.

High yesterday 22 Low last night 10 Precip. last 24 hours trace Since Oct. 1 1.84 Same period last year 2.19 Low in area, Chiloquin 0

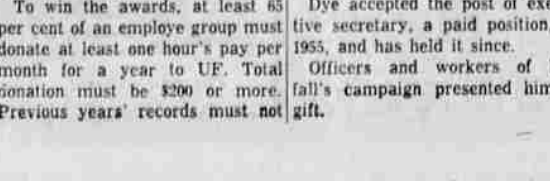
Northern California — Showers tonight with snow in the mountains. Clearing in much of the area by early Friday. Little change in temperature. Northwesterly or northerly winds 15-30 miles an hour.

Annual UF Awards Banquet Fetes Workers Of County

Employees of Klamath County firms were on hand during the annual county United Fund awards banquet at the Willard Hotel last night to receive Outstanding Citizenship awards — the most opulent provided by UF.



DOING THEIR PART to keep their community safe from fire, the Chiloquin Firebelles presented the Chiloquin Fire Department with a check for \$71 and a Scott Air Pack at a recent meeting. Left to right Roger Wright, secretary, looks on as Luther Sherier, president, receives the presentation. Firebelles, in the same order, are Mrs. Aubrey Starkey, Mrs. Lewis Jones, Mrs. George Hobbs, auxiliary president, Mrs. Luther Sherier, Mrs. Bill Barnes, Mrs. George Pohl and Mrs. Roger Wright, wearing the mask on the new air pack.



OUTSTANDING CITIZENSHIP AWARDS were received during a United Fund annual meeting and banquet last night by these employees of the following employe groups: From left are Pat Kossman, Medo-Land Creamery; Jack Grawall, Oregon Technical Institute; Mrs. Fred Miller, Big Y Market; Ruby Sheridan, LaPointe; Gene Yaden, Payton and Company; Gilbert Morey, J. W. Kerns Oregon Limited; Jim Arnold, Riverside School; and Fritz Mahn, Eastside Electric Company.



Dr. Schweitzer Fetes Birthday BRAZZAVILLE, Congo Republic (AP)—Dr. Albert Schweitzer celebrated his 85th birthday today with friends and well-wishers from the United States, Europe and Africa.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI) — Jazz pianist Dave Brubeck, threatened with a breach of contract suit, agreed Wednesday to bring his combo here for a performance at Memphis State University.