

Pels Defeat Sandy 67-46; Meet Lake Oswego Next

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EUGENE (Special)—The Klamath Union Pelicans winged away to victory number one in the 42nd annual Oregon A-1 Basketball Tournament, handing the Sandy Pioneers a 67-46 defeat in the

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
Big news:
COMMON HORSE SENSE VANQUISHES BIG GOVERNMENT
DO EVERYTHING NONSENSE.

That's the headline. Let's now get into the meat of the story. It began some four years ago when a baby girl was taken into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Combs in Oak Bridge, New Jersey. There appears to have been some question of Mrs. Combs' health at the time, so they delayed adoption proceedings.

Time passed. Mrs. Combs' health improved. Two daughters of their own arrived on the scene. Meanwhile, they came to adore the little girl they had taken in. So they moved happily to adopt her.

At that point, the STATE stepped in. Somewhere along the line, it had been discovered that not only was she a darling but that she had a near-genius I.Q. of 138.

So—The State of New Jersey, through its Board of Child Welfare, said to the foster parents: "NO, you can't have her. You aren't good enough for her. You're just common TV-watching nobodies. She's a GENIUS. She belongs to the world. The STATE must take her and do right by her. She must be placed with a family of superior intellectual and financial resources."

Fortunately, the story got out. There was an uproar from the public. The situation got so hot that the State Board of Child Welfare had to pull in its horns. It put its concession this way: "We feel that few things are more damaging to a child than to be fought over by its parents in the courts, in the press and over the air waves. We have therefore decided to ALLOW Mr. and Mrs. Combs to adopt her if they wish."

The board had the grace to add: "It is our sincere hope that the Combs, the public and the press will allow the child to grow up in a normal home atmosphere." This newspaper joins in that hope and hereby pledges, in its small way, that it will have nothing to do with making a holy show of little Alice Marie. That would spoil everything. Let's hope our brothers of the press feel the same way about it.

This little girl and her foster parents are entitled to live their lives in their own way.

One more word: Mr. and Mrs. Combs aren't John Steinbeck characters, as the original article of the New Jersey Board of Child Welfare seemed vaguely to imply.

They live in a pleasant house. In a pleasant neighborhood. Mr. Combs, aged 25, is a sheet metal worker. His present weekly paycheck amounts to \$120—of which, presumably, he contributes to government in the form of withholding somewhere in the neighborhood of 20 per cent, thus bearing his share of the burdens of modern life along with the rest of us.

The Combs family sounds like REAL American people — the kind of people from whom some of the greatest of the world's greats have sprung. It's a pretty safe bet they'll do right by the gifted little girl they are being "permitted" to adopt.

third game of the opening round here this morning. The Pelicans, sparked by a pair of stellar performances by sophomore Gary Patzke and junior Wally Palmberg, both of whom are making their first appearances in the big show, hesitated in the first half and then put on a quick spurt in the third quarter to give themselves some breathing room. From there on they made it look easy.

Guard Dean Dunson led the Pels with 14 points, but three more of his mates, Patzke, Palmberg and Paul Bishop, also cracked double figures. Patzke hit six from beneath the bucket and one from the foul line for a total of 13, and

Scores

Oregon A-1 Tourney
Oswego 65, La Grande 61
Klamath Falls 67, Sandy 46

Bishop, who shot a sizzling 500, picked up five field goals and three free throws for a 13 point total. Palmberg, whose driving

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MRS. RAYMOND TICE

Medic's Wife Desires Post

Mrs. Raymond Tice filed Monday for a position on the Klamath Union High School District Board of Education held for the past five years by Mrs. Margaret Sheridan.

Other candidates for the single five-year term to be contested this year are Mrs. Sheridan and Henry L. Taysen.

Mrs. Tice says she wants to promote the best interest of education for young people attending KUHS. She has a natural interest in school affairs, since she has a son, Larry, 13, attending Altamont Junior High School, two sons, Harold 11, and Martin, 9, attending Shasta Elementary School, and a daughter, Deborah, 6, who will attend Shasta School next year.

She is a member of both Shasta and Altamont schools Parent Teacher associations. She is a former member of Roosevelt PTA. Mrs. Tice is leader for three local 4-H clubs—the "Shasta Sheep Raisers," the "Bachelor Cooks," a boys' cooking group, and "The Castoffs," a girls' knitting club. She was graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in bacteriology during 1945 from the University of Kansas. She is a member of the American Association of University Women, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Colonists.

She and her husband, a local physician and surgeon, moved here from Mrs. Tice's native state, Ohio, in 1947. They reside at 950 Patterson Street.

Fourth Term

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)—Gov. Orval E. Faubus announced today he will seek an unprecedented fourth term.

Faubus pledged to continue fighting for a defense of states' rights if the people give him another two-year term as governor.

state high school basketball tournaments. An estimated 1,400 Monmouth, Ill., fans were stranded between Springfield, Ill., where they rooted for their team Tuesday night, and their homes.

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FOUNDERS DAY for the nation's Camp Fire Girls is Thursday. Thus will commence a year's celebration of the organization's 50th anniversary. Local girls are distributing a booklet called "She Cares—Do You?" It outlines the current Camp Fire conservation program. Mrs. Gay Johnston, a nurse, is shown receiving some booklets for placement in Dr. Paul Sharp's medical office from Kathy Womer, left, and Sherry Smith, right.

Foster Parents Win Right To Adopt Exceptional Girl

OLD BRIDGE, N.J. (UPI)—State Child Welfare Board wanted to take Alice Marie Combs, almost five, runs laughingly to her father and with a jump she is in his arms. It was the start of the Combs' fight to prove love could conquer statistics. They won the battle Tuesday.

The Combs' modest, ranch-style home in Madison Twp. was a scene of jubilation when the Child Welfare Board Tuesday reversed its earlier decision and gave the Combs permission to adopt Alice. Alice kissed reporters, displayed her toys and romped about with the Combs' other two daughters, Sheri, 2, and Gail, 15 months.

"I don't know how to thank everyone," Mrs. Combs said. "I have just been crying with joy." The Combs had refused to believe that the foster daughter they had not wrapped warmly in love could not develop both in personality and intellect where she was so strongly wanted.

Their struggle against the ruling of child welfare officials won attention around the world. They took the case to court, and lost. It was appealed to a high tribunal where it was under consideration when the child welfare board changed its decision in a surprise move.

"With the press and the public on our side," Combs said, "I was confident. It proves we live in a democratic United States and that the will of the people will be done."

The Child Welfare Board said it believed in its original findings but that it was better for the child that the battle cease. Gov. Robert Meyner agreed.

He said he would run for election to the six-year term on the high court in November, and that he would take his place on the court as soon as he can clean up his circuit court affairs.

The appointment came only 24 hours after Hatfield named Law to succeed Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, who died a week ago. Hatfield explained he was naming a circuit judge to maintain the high court's balance of three former circuit judges, three former practicing attorneys, and one former law school professor.

The governor said Goodwin enjoys the respect of members of the Supreme Court and of practicing lawyers.

The governor added that Goodwin has a "journalistic background so important in writing opinions, but even more important he will bring integrity, scholarship and diligence to the forming of those opinions."

CRATER LAKE
High yesterday 31
Low last night 21
8 a.m. today 23
Snow 112
Snow depth 112

Chains were advised for travel through the park and from Annie Springs to the rim today. Skies were partly cloudy and a light southeast wind was blowing. Snowfall since October 1, 1959, has been 311 inches compared with 282.5 for the comparable period the previous year.

Northern California — Fair through Thursday. Warmer. Windy at times.

Sugar Program Eyed by Solons
WASHINGTON (AP)—The administration asked Congress today for authority to cut Cuba's sugar sales to the United States and ran into opposition.

Rep. Harold Cooley (D-N.C.), chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, told newsmen he saw little chance for approval of the administration-proposed sugar bill.

The measure would include authority for the President to cut the Cuban sugar sales if he felt such action was necessary in the national interest.

Has Attack, But Singer Continues

LONDON (UPI)—World famed tenor Jussi Bjorling suffered a heart attack just before curtain time Tuesday night but went on to sing an entire opera before a deeply moved audience that included Queen Mother Elizabeth.

Five minutes before the performance of Puccini's "La Boheme" was to begin before a capacity crowd of 2,000 persons at London's Covent Garden, the Swedish-born Bjorling, 49, was found slumped in a chair in his dressing room.

"I simply cannot go on... I am too ill... heart attack... get doctor..." he muttered to stage manager William Bundy.

After receiving some injections, however, he did go on to complete his role in a booming voice which one critic said "recalled the golden days of Caruso."

Bjorling — considered by many critics to be the world's greatest living operatic tenor — was still clutching his heart when the performance ended and wept in relief as the Queen Mother led his listeners in a standing ovation.

Council Backs Dr. Jonas Salk

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—Dr. Jonas Salk has City Council endorsement of plans to establish a multimillion-dollar health research institute here.

Whether the plans will be carried out will be up to the voters, and possibly the University of California.

Proposed location for the institute is a 40-acre site owned by the city.

Salk, developer of the polio vaccine bearing his name, said the institute would cost about three million dollars. He said it would be open for research on all human diseases.

Payola Figures Given By ASCAP

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers says that at least 33 per cent of the top hit records last year were released by companies involved in payola.

ASCAP made the estimate Tuesday in asking the Federal Communications Commission to outlaw payola—a slang term for under the table payments to broadcasters. It proposed a federal law to provide criminal penalties of up to a year in prison and a \$10,000 fine for giving or taking payola.

WASHINGTON (AP)—A \$12,000 reward was offered today for three mail thieves who shot and killed two undercover postal investigators.

The Post Office Department announced the reward in thousands of circulars distributed on the city's near south side where the investigators, John McAllister, 36, and Benedetto Spizzirri, 42, were killed Monday night.

Form Biracial Conferences, Advocates Chief Executive

By MERRIMAN SMITH
WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Eisenhower today advocated the formation of biracial conferences in every southern community to help settle racial tensions locally rather than depending on the federal government.

Eisenhower, commenting on recent Negro demonstrations in the South against being banned from public lunch counters, said he thought that such demonstrations, if orderly and seeking to support the rights of equality, were constitutional. Therefore, he said, they should be permitted.

The President reserved judgment, however, on disorder resulting from such demonstrations. He told his news conference he was not a lawyer and could not determine the extent to which the federal Constitution might apply. Furthermore, he said disorder was a matter for local handling. That, he said, was one principal reason why he thought there should be biracial conferences in every southern community in an effort to reduce conflict between the races without turning to Washington for the answer.

Arrests and Violence
A chain of "sit in" strikes protesting racial discrimination at lunch counters has occurred throughout the South. Negroes—many of them college students—

have filled lunch counter seats where, in most instances, they are refused service while seated. White sympathizers have joined them in some places.

Scores of arrests have occurred and there have been episodes of violence. This week, Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, urged Eisenhower to have federal agencies protect the constitutional

Local Chief Of Air Base To Be Moved

Col. Jack W. Williams, commander of the 408th Fighter Group, Kingsley Field, has received word of his pending transfer, effective sometime in July, 1960, to the post of director of operations, Portland Air Defense Sector at Adair Air Force Station near Corvallis.

Williams has served as base



COL. JACK W. WILLIAMS

commander of Kingsley Field since his return to the United States from an assignment in Alaska in August, 1958.

Colonel Williams began his flying career with the Army Air Corps following graduation from Texas A&M in 1941 with a degree in electrical engineering. His career was interrupted in November, 1946, when he accepted a discharge and took a position with Republic Aviation Corporation and Howard Hughes Aircraft Company flying experimental aircraft.

In October, 1947, Williams reentered the Air Force upon award of a regular commission. During his career he has flown more than 118 different types of aircraft including the Focke-Wulf-190 German fighter; the Japanese Zero; the British Lancaster, as well as nearly every type of U.S. plane.

Colonel Williams has held numerous responsible posts in both the United States and foreign commands, and was graduated from the Air Command and Staff School, the George Washington University Manpower Management Course and the Armed Forces Staff College.

He will be accompanied to Adair by his wife, Elizabeth, and their four children, Jackie, 16, Jane, 14, Bill, 13, and Virgil, 8.

The family will reside in quarters in the Capehart Housing development on the station.

No announcement has yet been made as to Colonel Williams' successor as commander at Kingsley Field.

BULLETIN

OTTAWA, Ill. (AP)—The wives of three Chicago business executives were found beaten to death today in a cave in Starved Rock State Park, an all-year resort.

Sheriff Ray Eutsey of La Salle County said "it is definitely murder." He added that the possibility the women had been raped would have to be determined later.

The women had been beaten on the head, Eutsey said.

Japan Airliner, Sabre Collide

TOKYO (AP)—A Japanese airliner carrying 28 passengers and a Japanese air force Sabre Jet collided tonight on the runway at Komaki air base, in central Japan. Three passengers were reported dead and 19 injured. Five of the injured were reported in serious condition.

A spokesman for All Nippon Airways in Tokyo said a DC3 of the line landed on the runway after a flight from Tokyo and was turning to go to the unloading area when the Sabre Jet crashed into its tail.

Alert Watchman
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)—Several sticks of dynamite attached to a burning fuse were tossed into the office of the truck Bottoms-Fisk Motor Lines Terminal Tuesday. An alert night watchman threw the dynamite into a courtyard where it exploded harmlessly.

rights of Negro "sit in" protesters in Alabama.

Other highlights of the President's first news conference since Feb. 17:

—He made painstakingly plain that Vice President Richard M. Nixon is his personal preference for the 1960 Republican presidential nomination. He said he would participate in the election campaign, himself, if invited to do so.

Explains Sugar Policy

—He said that, in requesting congressional changes in the sugar quota act, there was no thought whatever of punishing the people of Cuba or the Cuban government. He said because of conditions in Cuba, however, he wanted the authority to turn to other sources of sugar supply should there be some interference with shipments of Cuban sugar to this country.

—He said he felt the U.S. disarmament plan submitted in Geneva with its provisions for gradual effectiveness and sure safeguards on compliance was vastly preferable to the Russian total disarmament, four-year program.

—He deplored violence connected with the recent elections in South Korea.

—He restated this government's position that there would be no change in policy toward Berlin at the summit conference in May.

All Hope Gone For Miners

LOGAN, W. Va. (AP)—Until they found the first body, searchers held some hope that the 18 men trapped in Holden coal mine 22 might still be alive.

By early today the bodies of 13 had been hauled out of the gas-filled passageways and the last wish of hope for the others was gone.

But the search went on. Somewhere in the dank honeycomb of tunnels were the other members of the digging party imprisoned March 8 by a cave-in and lie nearly three miles from the mine opening.

Two in the original group of 29 scrambled to safety moments after discovery of the fire, apparently touched off when falling slate snapped an electric trolley wire.

Jack Matheson of nearby Holden, W. Va., in the rescue team which found the first 13 bodies, said death by asphyxiation came early for the men in the Island Creek Coal Co. eight miles from the Kentucky border.

It might have been caused by smoke from the fire or by poison coal-gas permeating the abandoned mine section to which the victims had fled.

We Lead Reds, Says Tom Gates

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of Defense Thomas S. Gates Jr. testified today that this country surpasses the Soviet Union "several times" in total destructive power of its nuclear weapons and capacity for delivering them.

Gates flatly rejected suggestions of Democratic critics of the Eisenhower defense program that this country should match the Soviet "missile for missile." He took the same stand on an immediate airborne alert to protect the Strategic Air Command from possible destruction on the ground by a surprise missile attack.

Adlai Eyes Job

BUENOS AIRES Argentina (AP)—Adlai E. Stevenson says he is interested in becoming U. S. secretary of state—if conditions are right.

He was asked Tuesday night about talk he might be named to this job if a Democrat is elected president. Stevenson was twice defeated for the presidency but has said he does not seek a third nomination.

Civil Rights Quarterbacks Draft Strengthened Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—House civil rights quarterbacks drafted today what they called a strengthened version of the administration's voting referendum plan.

It would, they said, provide for Negroes or other minority citizens to cast their ballots even though their right to vote was under challenge. The ballots would be impounded and passed on later.

Rep. Emanuel Celler of New York, Democratic floor leader for the civil rights forces, said the proposal had been accepted by Republican members, administration spokesmen and Democrats who Tuesday pushed a broad new voting rights plan.

The injection of the new plan Tuesday sent the House into an amendment against violence in racial matters.

Thousands Of Cage Fans Stranded By Driving Midwestern Snowstorm

United Press International
A driving snowstorm stranded thousands of basketball fans, stalled hundreds of cars on snow-blockaded highways and closed schools throughout the Midwest today.

The storm, striking with blizzard-like fury, bowled out of the Central Plains, powered eastward through the heart of the Iowa-Illinois corn belt and aimed heavy punches at the heavily populated lower Great Lakes area.

It came with spring only fog days away on the calendar, and threatened to wreak even greater damage and hardships than a long string of late-winter blows that preceded it.

The storm caught crowds of Illinois and Iowa basketball fans away from home attending annual

state high school basketball tournaments.

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At Red Oak, Iowa, hundreds of Southern Iowa basketball fans were snowbound in the high school gymnasium, and 200 girl volleyball players and their coaches were stranded at a tournament in Peru, Neb.

The giant storm dumped 19 inches of snow on Monmouth, in northwestern Illinois, 8 inches in southern Iowa. It left Kansas City crippled under a 20-inch snow-rack — most of its industrial plants shut down — and raised Omaha's snow accumulation to 27 inches, topping the Nebraska metropolis' all-time record by 5 inches.

The storm slowed surface traffic to a mere crawl in Chicago during the morning rush hour and caused chain-reaction pile-ups on the city's superhighways. Thousands of commuters stayed home and suburban trains ran half-filled.

Chicago Midway Airport, the world's busiest, was closed to incoming traffic but planes were still taking off at midmorning.