

# Two Area Students Advance May Lose In Merit Award Competition

A Klamath Falls girl and a Lakeview youth are among 13,000 high school students named semifinalists Wednesday in the nationwide competition for Merit Scholarships.

They become semifinalists in the 1963-64 program through their outstanding performances on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The test was given last March to students in more than 16,500 high schools across the nation.

The Klamath Falls winner is Judith E. Weinberg, a senior at Klamath Union High School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Weinberg, 708 North Ninth Street.

The Lakeview youth is James N. Ackerman, a senior at Lakeview High School.

Their semifinalist status is the first step towards winning four-year Merit Scholarships to colleges of their choice.

All semifinalists must take a second test and fill other requirements to be named finalists. In past years 97 per cent of the semifinalists have become finalists. All scholarships are awarded to finalists.

John M. Stalnaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, said of the finalists: "They are not only intellectually able, but characteristically they are also ambitious, energetic and resourceful. In honoring them we pay credit, too, to the families, teachers and communities which have aided them in their efforts to succeed."

The scholarships are awarded by the NMSC, which is sponsored by about 175 business corporations, foundations, colleges, unions, trusts, professional associations and individuals.

With the finalist test, the students will be judged on high school grades, creative accomplishments, leadership qualities, extracurricular activities and school citizenship.

Merit scholars will be announced next April. About 1,500 scholarships will be awarded. Each scholarship covers four full years of college and may reach a maximum of \$6,000. The program was established in 1955 and thus far \$17 million has been contributed for scholarships.

Oregon high schools accounted for 144 of the 13,000 semifinalists announced Wednesday.

# N.W. Cities May Lose Air Service

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) said Tuesday that 99 cities, including many in the Northwest, are failing to meet its "use it or lose it" standard under which the board subsidizes air service by local service airlines.

CAB Chairman Alan S. Boyd sent letters to the mayors of more than 500 communities served by the subsidized airlines, saying that the board may start proceedings to determine whether air service should be discontinued at cities falling short of the "use it or lose it" policy — originating at least five passengers daily.

Boyd's letter listed the communities served by local service airlines. Cities which failed to meet the CAB minimum of five passengers daily in the 12-month period ending June 30, 1963, include:

Pacific-Medford, Ore. (4.05); West Coast—Baker, Ore. (2.23); Bellingham (2.99); Bend - Redmond, Ore. (3.57); Burns, Ore. (1.19); Coeur d'Alene, Idaho (4.16); Cut Bank-Shelby, Mont. (0.96); Great Falls, Mont. (3.26); Lakeview, Ore. (1.66); Olympia (3.23); Ontario, Ore.-Payette, Idaho (2.24); Pendleton, Ore. (2.20); Roseburg, Ore. (4.88); Salem, Ore. (3.77); Sun Valley-Hailey-Ketchum, Idaho (3.93).

# FBI Adds Dangerous Bank Robber To 'Most Wanted' List

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Carl Close, a fugitive bank robber who once tried to engineer an airlift escape from a penitentiary by helicopter, who placed today on the FBI's list of 10 most wanted criminals.

Close is sought for armed bank robberies in Baltimore and Roanoke, Va., in March and June of this year. Described as "extremely dangerous," he is believed hiding out with a man, a woman and an infant who are relatives.

He has been quoted as vowing never to be taken alive.

Close's bank robbing career dates back to 1949 when he and two relatives were caught after hold ups in Maryland and West Virginia.

Sent to Atlanta Penitentiary, Close and several fellow inmates schemed to escape by having a helicopter airlift them from a prison roof. The plot was thwarted when prison authorities learned of it. They had Close transferred to Alcatraz.

Upon parole in 1961, Close, a native of Sullivan, W. Va., made his home in Nokomis, Fla. But last March he left in company with a brother to resume his bank robbery pursuits.

The Baltimore holdup netted them \$21,078, but in their hurried escape they dropped \$4,141 of the loot and Close's brother was picked up in Roanoke on a vagrancy charge.

The wanted man's robbery of the bank in Roanoke in June was worth \$6,330.

Close, 48, is described as a reserved individual who drinks beer and occasionally whisky in moderation.

For identification purposes, there is a small mole on his chin, a small scar on his right palm, another on his right thigh. In addition, he has scars from appendectomy and hernia operations.

Close stands 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs around 190 pounds. He has a medium complexion and has a heavy muscular build, black hair and brown eyes.

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# Weather Roundup

Temperatures during the 24 hours ending at 4 a.m. PDT today.

City	High	Low
Astoria	72	47
Baker	79	49
Brookings	62	51
Medford	89	48
Newport	77	51
N. Bend	85	52
Pendleton	79	51
Portland	76	49
Redmond	84	38
Salem	78	47
The Dalles	69	51
Chicago	66	60
Los Angeles	91	70
New York	62	46
Phoenix	105	73
San Fran.	82	62
Washington	64	39

Portland-Vancouver: Mostly fair through Thursday; highs 75 - 80; low 47.

Western Oregon: Mostly fair; highs 76-80 inland, 65 - 75 coast; low 44-54.

Eastern Oregon: Fair; highs 75-85; low 35-45.

Tatoosh to Blanco: Variable winds 7-13; some night and morning fog and clouds.

# Reds Ratify Test Treaty

MOSCOW (UPI)—The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet — this nation's highest legislative body—unanimously ratified the partial nuclear test ban treaty today.

The ratification, a formality under the Soviet system, came less than 24 hours after the U.S. Senate also voted overwhelmingly to ratify the treaty, which prohibits nuclear explosions in the atmosphere, outer space and underwater.

The Supreme Soviet's foreign Affairs committee earlier recommended ratification and the Soviet press has praised the treaty constantly since the day it was signed.

The Supreme Soviet acts as the Soviet legislature. The Presidium handles the Supreme Soviet's business while the main body is in recess, as it is now.

**SUBS FOR FIRST LADY**

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Mrs. Rose Kennedy, the President's mother, will fill in for Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy as official hostess at a state dinner Oct. 1 honoring Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia.

The First Lady will leave for Greece Oct. 2 for a vacation.

# Oregon Lads Put In Home

OMAHA, Neb. (UPI)—Juvenile Court Judge Seward Hart Tuesday placed two Oregon boys sent here by their ill mother and out-of-work stepfather in the home of a pastor.

Hart said he placed Danny Pressnell, 12 and Ronald, 10, with the Rev. William Pounds because of the environment of Omaha youth center. There they were thrown into daily contact with youngsters being detained for delinquency, Hart said.

The Pounds have four children, all younger than Danny and Ronald.

Rev. Pounds is assistant pastor of St. Andrews Episcopal Church. He said he discussing getting the boys started back in school with officials of school district 66.

Danny and Ray—both described as bright, alert youngsters—turned up here last Thursday. They carried 90 cents, an old suitcase, and a note from their mother, Mrs. Dudley Hackworth, Salem, Ore. She has since moved with her husband to North Bend, Ore., where he was seeking work as a longshoreman.

The note asked that Boys Town take in Danny and Ronald. Hart has set Oct. 9 for a hearing.

# Fire Report

**FIRE REPORT**

(From noon Tuesday through 10 a.m. Wednesday.)

6:39 p.m., Tuesday, 1800 Block on Wall Street, false alarm. Klamath Falls Fire Department.

2:58 p.m., Tuesday, grass fire on vacant lot at corner of Patterson Street and Shasta Way, no damage, Suburban Fire Department.

# Boys' Death Due To Heart Attack

MEDFORD (UPI)—An autopsy Tuesday revealed that a 14-year-old boy who died while swimming in a city pool here Friday afternoon suffered a fatal heart attack.

Gerald Hobbs of Medford was swimming underwater at the shallow end of the pool when he stood up, complained of feeling dizzy and collapsed. He was taken to a hospital where he was pronounced dead.

# YEMEN CELEBRATES

CAIRO, U.A.R. (UPI) — A 21-gun salute will usher in festivities marking the Yemeni republic's first anniversary, the Middle East New Agency (MENA) reported Tuesday.

MENA said a new electric power station and new roads will be opened Thursday on the anniversary of the revolt against the royalist regime.

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