

Holy Land Visit Plans Aid Pope's Popularity

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—Pope Paul's historic plan to visit the Holy Land next month appeared today to have turned him into a popular Roman hero.

The pontiff was mobbed and cheered Sunday when he rode in an open car on a nippy day to the heart of Rome to pray before a statue of the Madonna of the Immaculate Conception on her feast day.

It was the most enthusiastic popular reception of the sedate and often self-conscious Pope's young pontificate. It was also the biggest turnout for the feast of the Immaculate Conception that Romans could remember.

The Pope first prayed at the foot of a six-story high column topped by a tall slender statue of Mary. Fire department men had scaled extension ladders to deck the statue with bouquets of flowers, as they do every year.

The foot of the statue was swamped by more flowers and gifts Romans brought to the Madonna. The singing and praying lasted all day and thousands of people passed by.

After praying, the Pope received olive branches stripped from trees from the Garden of Gethsemane where Christ was

betrayed by Judas into captivity and crucifixion. The Pope will visit the Garden on his trip to Jerusalem.

The presentation was made by Jordanian Ambassador to Italy Edmond P.A. Roch.

Jordan is one of the two countries the Pope will visit in his tour of holy places at the birthplace of Christianity Jan. 4-6. The old city of Jerusalem is in Jordan.

The Pope will also move across the border into Israel during the pilgrimage. There were reports that a special Israeli-Jordanian coordinating committee under the sponsorship of the United Nations might be established for the pontifical trip.

RR Merger Gets Okay

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Supreme Court removed today the last obstacle to the merger of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway with the Baltimore & Ohio.

In a brief order the high court affirmed a ruling in favor of the railroads handed down on Aug. 13, 1963, by a special three-judge federal court in Detroit. The lower court upheld a 1962 decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) approving the merger.

The case was taken to court by four railroad unions and a parent group — the Railway Labor Executives' Association. Meantime a court order has been in effect protecting the job rights of all employees involved.

The association and the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Railway Employees told the Supreme Court the ICC did not give proper consideration to workers' rights.

In a separate appeal, the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen and the International Association of Machinists said the commission acted beyond the scope of the authority delegated to it by Congress.

The unions asserted the ICC should have considered the merger application along with those of the New York Central, Pennsylvania, Norfolk & Western, Nickel Plate and Wabash Railroads.

The Justice Department at first asserted that the commission had not made findings to support its decision. But later the department announced it would not further challenge the ICC order in view of a special government study showing that the public interest would benefit from the consolidation.

Winds Hit Midwest

By United Press International

Strong winds bit into the Midwest today. In Missouri and Kansas, plate glass windows were smashed, roofs torn off and power disrupted.

Michigan's upper peninsula shoveled from under six inches of snow and forecasters predicted another two inches before nightfall.

In the eastern Dakotas and northern Minnesota snow depths ranged to 10 inches. There was as much as four inches in northern New England.

Weatherman forecast colder temperatures from the north-eastern great plains and the Mississippi Valley eastward to the Atlantic Coast, with snow and windy conditions in the areas around the Great Lakes and snow flurries in the Ohio Valley southeastward to the Appalachians.

The wind at Kansas City reached more than 60 m.p.h., and many airplanes were diverted from the airport there. Six emergency crews worked to clear Kansas City streets of debris. More than 100 workmen were sent to repair power lines. At Topeka, winds reached 75 m.p.h. velocity.

Weather Roundup

Northern California: Occasional rain, snow higher mountains, colder.

The Dalles and Hood River: Snow or light freezing rain at times east; partial clearing tonight with some patchy fog west; highs 32-40; low tonight 23-25; gorgo winds east 10-18.

Bend, Baker and La Grande: Cloudy through Tuesday with some light snow flurries; highs around 35-40; low 13-23.

Portland - Vancouver: Mostly fair with patchy morning fog; highs near 40; low tonight about 28.

Western Oregon: Partly cloudy; highs 38-46; low tonight 28-35.

Eastern Oregon: Snow warnings southeast for two to four inches by noon, otherwise mostly cloudy or foggy with scattered flurries or freezing drizzle; highs 25-35; low 20-30.

Tatoosh to Blanco: East to northeast winds 12-33 becoming north tonight and Tuesday; partly cloudy.

Five Day Weather

Western Oregon: Highs 49-47; lows 25-35; less than normal precipitation, mostly after Thursday.

Eastern Oregon: Highs mostly 25-35 and lows 15-25; less than normal precipitation with scattered snow flurries.

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

Library Service Restored

SALEM (UPI)—The State Library Board Friday restored \$54,000 in cuts and adopted a \$70,000 austerity budget for the balance of the biennium.

As a result, most book lending services to elementary and secondary schools and colleges were restored.

In September, fearful of the Oct. 15 tax referendum and under the impression it would suffer a \$122,000 cutback if the tax bill was defeated, the board halted the book lending services and canceled purchase of children's books and fiction.

Those items also were restored at the Friday meeting.

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RULES ROSE BOWL — Queen Nancy Kneeland, 19, a student at Pasadena City College was chosen to reign over the 75th annual Tournament of Roses. The choice was made from seven finalists, of whom the remaining six reign as princesses in the Rose Bowl court.

Studebaker Corporation To Shut Down Auto Plant

DETROIT (UPI)—Studebaker Corp. will shut down its U. S. automotive assembly lines Tuesday, ending more than 61 years as a major automotive producer, it was learned today.

However, there were indications Studebaker would continue car production in Canada and market the cars in the United States.

The company is not dead. Studebaker recently has lost money on its automotive operation but 12 other divisions are operating at a profit, company sources said. They will continue.

Studebaker President Byers A. Burlingame and top company officials were in New York today for a board meeting.

The executives met in South Bend, Ind., with United Auto Workers union officials over the weekend to discuss the fate of about 5,000 workers who will lose their jobs as a result of the move.

Burlingame was expected to announce the demise of Studebaker's auto operations Tuesday. The company has a rich transportation history that traces its roots all the way to covered wagon days.

Burlingame was unavailable for comment in New York as were other top executives in South Bend. However, reliable sources here said the announcement would be made in New York Tuesday.

Reduces Auto Firms

The demise of Studebaker will reduce to four the number of major auto firms—General Motors, Ford, Chrysler and American Motors.

The automotive division of the company has been a money loser since 1959. That was its best year when it got the jump on the rest of the industry with a compact car and the corporation earned \$25.5 million.

However, Burlingame, in his first statement of policy since taking over the company, said early this month the other 12 divisions of the highly diversified corporation are operating at a profit this year.

Studebaker finished 1960-61-62 in the black but the automotive

division operated at a loss. Last year, Studebaker posted earnings of \$2.36 million on sales of \$365.45 million.

During the first nine months of the current year, sales totaled \$302.6 million, up from \$250.9 million during the same period last year. However, net losses for the first nine months of the year totaled \$9.63 million compared with \$4.49 million for the same period last year.

Announced Economy Measures

In his first statement of policy, Burlingame announced stringency economy measures to lower the break-even point of the division. Included was the layoff of more than 2,000 employees; curtailment of bidding on defense contracts; beefing up field sales force and cost reductions in all phases of Studebaker home office operation.

Studebaker's demise as an auto producer marks the end of two proud industry names. Studebaker merged with the Packard Motor Car Co. in 1954 when the automotive big three—General Motors, Ford and Chrysler—became too successful for some smaller companies.

Hudson and Nash also merged with American Motors Corp. and under the head of Michigan Gov. George Romney turned the corner and now is a highly profitable auto firm.

Legion Slates Party Dec. 15

The annual Christmas party for members of Post No. 8, American Legion and Auxiliary, and their families, will be held Sunday, Dec. 15, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the Legion Club. Children of all veterans in the Klamath Basin will be welcome.

Mrs. Mabel Dalbos, vice president and party chairman announced there will be a Santa Claus, a lighted tree, gifts for the children and refreshments.

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Community Calendar

- MONDAY**
- LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES**, 8 p.m., Christmas party, gift exchange, installation, Community Lounge.
- DEGREE OF HONOR**, 7:30 p.m., meeting, plan children's Christmas party, KC Hall.
- GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP**, 7:30 p.m., "St. Matthew," City Library basement.
- CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS**, 8 p.m., Christmas party, \$1 gift exchange, Sacred Heart parish hall.
- TUESDAY**
- KENO PTA**, 6 p.m., petluck dinner, 7 p.m. business meeting, 7:30 p.m., father-son basketball game.
- WOTM**, Friendship members, 7:30 p.m., Christmas party, \$1 gift exchange, Masonic Temple.
- CITY FACULTY WIVES**, 8 p.m., meeting, Elks party room.
- ALOHA 61, OES**, 8 p.m., Christmas meeting, \$1 gift exchange, Masonic Temple.
- ART AUCTION, SALE**, Klamath Art Association, 2 to 9 p.m., Maple Park gallery. Public invited.
- ROCK, ARROWHEAD SOCIAL CLUB**, 7:30 p.m., Christmas meeting, Mrs. Raymond White, 2327 White Ave.
- ALAMONT PTA**, 7:30 p.m., meeting, Christmas music program, school gym. Child care provided.
- WEDNESDAY**
- MANZANITA CHAPTER, OES**, 8 p.m., Christmas party, Scottish Rite Temple.
- YOUNG REPUBLICANS**, 7:30 p.m., meeting, county courthouse hearing room. Public invited.
- ART AUCTION, SALE**, Klamath Art Association, 7 to 9 p.m., Maple Park Gallery. Public invited.
- GOLDEN AGE CLUB**, 1 p.m., meeting, Klamath Auditorium.
- SOJOURNERS**, 12:30 p.m., Christmas luncheon, Willard Hotel. \$1 gift exchange of Christmas ornament or decoration.
- LINDLEY HEIGHTS HOME EXT.**, 10 a.m., Christmas party, gift exchange, Mrs. Evelyn Loomis, 216 Pine Street.
- MIDLAND HOME EXT.**, 10:30 a.m., meeting, Joan's Kitchen. Visitors welcome.

North GOP Leaders Urge 'Liberal' Hunt

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Some northern Republican leaders believe that the accession of Texas Lyndon B. Johnson to the White House has severely weakened Sen. Barry Goldwater's presidential chances.

And, they say, it is time for the GOP to start looking for a "liberal" candidate to offset the "southern" background of Johnson, the Democrats' expected nominee in 1964.

Among those declaring Sunday that the political picture had changed abruptly with President Kennedy's death were Sens. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., George D. Aiken, R-Vt., and John Sherman Cooper, R-Ky.

While these senators did not raise the point, there was considerable speculation that Goldwater might withdraw his name from any consideration for the Republican nomination. The Arizona Republican has said he will announce his intentions next month.

The senators' statements came amid reports that former President Dwight D. Eisenhower had urged Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge to make himself available for the Republican presidential nomination.

In Saigon, where he has served as U. S. ambassador to South Viet Nam since August, Lodge said he had not received any message from the former chief executive. But he added, "I would consider seriously anything the general asked of me."

There was a feeling in Washington that the reports accurately reflected the ex-president's views. This feeling was strengthened by the statements of such "Eisenhower Republicans" as Javits, Aiken and Cooper.

The gist of the Javits-Aiken-Cooper remarks was that a lot of Goldwater's strength lay in the belief he could capture the South for the GOP with his appeal for Dixie voters enraged by the late President Kennedy's civil rights efforts.

Small Atom Shell Told

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Defense Department today announced development for a shellfield use of a nuclear battery only six inches in diameter.

Developed by the Army and the Atomic Energy Commission, the new projectile will be fired from 155 mm. howitzers and is believed to be the world's smallest nuclear weapon.

The range of the 155 howitzer is eight to ten miles and the Pentagon said it would be the same for nuclear rounds as for conventional high explosives.

The smallest previously known nuclear weapons were the projectiles fired by eight-inch howitzers and Davy Crockett bazooka-like weapons, both in service in Europe and elsewhere.

The Defense Department said that "the actual nuclear ammunition will be available in the near future" for Army and Marine troops who already have received training in assembling and firing techniques.

SUGGESTS MEMORIAL

LONDON (UPI)—Patrick Gordon Walker, the man expected to be foreign minister if labor is returned to power, suggested Saturday that Britain's memorial to the late President Kennedy should be in the form of a new university.

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OEA Eases Tax Stand

PORTLAND (UPI)—The sharp contrasts of opinion regarding the Oregon Education Association's stand on a state sales tax earmarked for education was mitigated somewhat Saturday when the organization unofficially diluted its previous proposal in support of the measure.

The action came on the closing day of the OEA's session here.

Organization members made it clear Saturday they would like to have the OEA support an education sales tax, but not institute one. The proposal Friday called for active support and possible initiation of a sales tax.

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