

The weather

Northwestern California: Fair through Wednesday except for coastal fog, slightly cooler along coast; high today and low tonight Ukiah 68-84.

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ABSENTEE CHECKS—Chester Deaver, left, State Grange Master, confers with Lars Nelson, Seattle, National Grange overseer and Master of the State Grange of Washington, as the agenda for the four-day State Grange convention opening today. Upwards of 2,000 Grange officers, members and convention delegates are expected to attend.—Photo by George

State Grange making Ukiah 'home' for 4-day convention

For the first time in nearly a quarter of a century, the city of Ukiah today is host to the annual meeting of the California State Grange as it commences its four-day convention here today.

Some 2,000 state and local Grange officers and members—representing 377 local marketing programs and 250 county Granges throughout the state—will spend four solid days in general business and special sessions with State Grange Master Chester Deaver as presiding officer at the convention, which will be held at the Ukiah Hotel from Oct. 21 through Oct. 24.

Other special visitors will include Lars Nelson, Seattle, overseer of the national Grange and Washington State Grange Master; and State Sen. Randolph Collier, Portland, master of the Oregon Grange.

The annual convention is a major event for the Grange, which was founded in 1830 and 1918.

Following a Grange delegates conference and committee meetings last night, Grange Master Deaver this noon gave his address to the delegates.

In his annual address, State Master Deaver cited the agricultural revolution of recent years that has brought greater production capacity but not greater marketing strength. The farmer is caught in a cost-price squeeze, he said.

"The farmer is the backbone of the community and the backbone of the nation," Deaver said. "We must find ways to help him. We must find ways to help him. We must find ways to help him."

'Zodiac' suspect is cleared

Bloody shirt, knife discovered in auto

A flurry of excitement generated locally by the arrest of a 26-year-old man from Pleasant Hill as a possible suspect in the "Zodiac" slaying of a young couple at Lake Berryessa subsided today as Napa County sheriff's office dropped murder charges against him.

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at Gobb with an assault from the sheriff's unit.

Swanson was booked at county jail for reckless driving and defrauding an employer and the evidence tendered by Napa County was placed after a search of the car turned up a bloody shirt and a kitchen knife.

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on two teen-age girls and an infant.

Zodiac is wanted for the murders of a young couple, two young women and a San Francisco cab driver in four separate attacks in the north Bay area over a period of 10 months.

The teen-agers and a two-year-old girl were victims of two separate attacks over a three-month period in the South Bay area near San Jose. The girls were stabbed at the end of 6th street and an autopsy of the infant revealed 191 stab wounds.

Officers from Alameda and local agencies met here Monday to go over evidence in the case. His hunting knife and a rare 9-millimeter pistol were considered prime clues.

Police said they were checking the handwriting on the note, which is thought to be a list of permits for purchase of the pistol. Only 143 such weapons have been sold in

Like another funeral

Mary Jo's father at autopsy hearing

By WILLIAM M. COOMBS

EDY, July 20 in returning with his wife to Pennsylvania because of bad weather.

He said he also thought that the autopsy on his daughter, killed in an accident involving a truck, was "like another funeral."

"We have had it," the father said at a hearing on a request for an autopsy on the body of the 18-year-old daughter, who died July 18 in a head-on collision with a truck on I-5 near Ukiah.

The father, speaking in a barely audible voice, said he and his wife, who was not in court, felt authorities "had not done it right."

Edmund S. Diney, a Massachusetts doctor who is seeking the autopsy, said that the one-armed appearance of the young woman at the morgue was "not what you would expect."

Diney, who is a forensic pathologist, said he was not sure if the autopsy would be held on Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the Coroner's Office in Ukiah.

Numerous social events as well as entertaining and educational projects in the Ukiah area also have been planned for the convention.

Grange leaders and delegates will start today shaping—and some seem positively dramatic—plans for the convention, which will be held at the Ukiah Hotel from Oct. 21 through Oct. 24.

Dos Rios 'collision' looms

By ARTHUR HUTCHINSON

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—The secretary and a key agency head of the state Resources Conservation Department, who earlier start on the controversial dam enhancement operation, will meet today to discuss the project.

Valley, Gianelli had wanted the reservoir to supply water for protection of the environment from man-made water projects.

But Livermore Jr. Monday questioned the project, saying that the Los Angeles audience would be "in a position to question the project."

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Senior Citizen programming

The transportation, educational, recreational and social needs of senior citizens were discussed at a meeting of the Ukiah Senior Citizens Club. A committee was appointed to work toward a greater community-wide awareness of the special needs of senior citizens.

A small but interested group was formed to work with senior citizens, after Marshall Love of the Ukiah Unified Adult Education department spoke on the need for closer cooperative action between the community and senior citizens.

Director Dave Strong outlined the special needs of the elderly and how other communities are meeting these needs; and Dr. Love spoke of organizations for senior citizens and the varied recreational and educational services they provide.

Mrs. Dorothy Reichel, who introduced the special guests, noted school groups are readily available to provide club entertainment and a general discussion followed on travel, leisure and educational programs available.

Continuing throughout the evening's discussion was the availability of transportation, mass or small group, for senior citizens so they can take part in community or special senior citizen activities.

A follow-up meeting at which representatives of the city, county, state, schools and local senior citizens will be present to go into greater depth on the problems explored last night will be held at noon on Tuesday, Oct. 22, at the Ukiah Methodist Church. Those interested are invited to attend the meeting and bring a sack lunch.

Dr. Taylor, in his description of special activities for senior citizens, spoke glowingly of the work done by a Long Beach senior citizens group, including preparation of current event topics for group discussions and planning group senior citizens tours of America and other countries.

Among pertinent suggestions was availability of a transportation service for senior citizens.

Strong touched upon the various possible Disneyland, and other recreational and educational trips available in Southern California and the investigation into the long-term, chert, rummy, shuffleboard and other activities to help senior citizens stay active and mentally alert and busy.

A number of these ideas from Southern California could be adapted to local needs, Strong pointed out.

Youth held following car mishap

Steven Ewing, 20, of Ukiah, a member of the Juvenile Crime Commission was arrested early this morning and charged with drunk driving and possession of marijuana.

Ewing was taken into custody by sheriff's office and California Highway Patrol personnel following an accident at 1:28 a.m. just south of Coltona on State Street.

When the sheriff's and CHP units arrived, they found a wrecked car mired into the bank bordering the highway and Michael Ewing, 20, of Ukiah, near the car.

Michael, who had a broken arm, was placed in the sheriff's car. While the deputy was making a run for it but was caught by Deputy Gary Halgadó and taken to County Hospital for treatment.

While Halgadó was investigating, he found a quantity of marijuana in the car.

In the meantime, Steven had made his way to Coltona where he asked Ralph Lawson, a passing motorist for a ride to Ukiah where he was taken to hospital for treatment.

Steven is being held in the county jail. No charges have been made against Michael.

Hurricane-wary flee 'Laurie'

NEW ORLEANS (UPI)—Hurricane Laurie, kicking gales inland along the mouth of the Mississippi River, caused an exodus of people toward the Gulf Coast today.

Laurie's point of impact along the coast was uncertain, but the New Orleans Weather Bureau said the hurricane's course would be slow and erratic today.

But a hurricane watch remained in effect along the Gulf Coast from Galveston, Texas, to Appalachicola, Fla.'s 700-mile stretch.

Hurricane Camille this year, which struck the Gulf Coast, was a "bad" hurricane.

"You have to run like scared rabbits," said Mrs. Mitchell

New deputy D.A. comes from Santa Rosa office

Burgess Williams, a firm, athletic 30-year-old, former practicing attorney, is the newest member of the staff of Mendocino County District Attorney Duncan James.

Williams, whose wife, Judith, had the same maiden name, has joined the D.A.'s staff as a deputy district attorney, after serving for a year with the Santa Rosa law firm of DeMoo, DeMoo, Foster and Warner, handling general legal work.

Williams had a clerk with the law firm of Crook, Adams and Kennedy, San Rafael, while in Ukiah.

Williams, who has among his chief outside interests horticulture, particularly raising flowering trees such as ligustrum, flowering plums, ginkgo, gump in Placenta, in Ingrid County. He has a large contact sports and track, as a hurdler, half-mile and relay runner at University of Colorado, Boulder, where he also met his wife. They have three children, John, age 8, and Tim, age 7.

Why is the school tax increase needed?

A series of articles summarizing the reasons for the school tax, which will be voted on by Ukiah Unified school district patrons Tuesday, Oct. 28, in yesterday's edition of the Journal.

The school, the third and final article in the series, is a school board, summarized both in the school board's own words and in the taxpayer. Previous articles on bonds appeared in the Journal 10-11 columns.

By PAUL LEONIDA

Today, the subject of school taxes will be introduced. Reasons for the need for additional tax are outlined in questions and answers.

Why is there a tax election? Without additional income, it will be impossible to maintain the present school programs next year. Additional funds will be needed to balance the budget to maintain present services.

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Fire Calls

MUNDAY—3:11 p.m.—Fire call to Ukiah. Fire engine and truck responded to a fire at the Ukiah Hotel. Fire was extinguished.

reasonable class sizes. Funds are needed to provide instructional materials, supplies and equipment, to insure continuation of present school programs, replace worn out equipment, and to adequately staff the schools with additional educational facilities.

Can school taxes be used to "buy us out"? Unfortunately, the answer is NO. Why? During the first year of utilization, 1969, the state furnished approximately 50 percent of the cost of the school program. The state will be required to fund the day for kindergarten through third grade. The state will be required to fund the day for kindergarten through third grade.

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regular student in the classroom. Why is this? When the project starts, the regular teacher has fewer pupils and is able to give more attention to those students who receive special services.

Does the district have too many administrators? This problem could be solved by having a three-member committee to study the California School Board, California Teachers' Association and California Administrative Association. The committee should be made up of one teacher, one administrator, and one parent.

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