



RIISING WATER IN KENNEWICK—Rising water floods a residential and business area of Kennewick, Washington as heavy rains sent creek and rivers over banks to plague the Pacific northwest. (AP).

Grand Opening Set For South Stephens Hardware Business

A grand opening for the South Stephens Hardware will be held Friday and Saturday.

The store, formerly called Douglas Hardware, has been purchased by Lewis D. McAllister and Henry Hansen from Gordon and Elwyn Hansen.

The store will deal in hardware, appliances, furniture, television sets, sporting goods, paints and household items. McAllister recently resigned his position with the Montgomery Ward & Co. store here. He had been with the company 9½ years, including 4 years as head of the sporting goods department.

McAllister, who lives on Garden Valley Road about four miles west of Roseburg, has been active in YMCA basketball and softball, being district commissioner in softball. He is secretary-treasurer of the Roseburg Rifle Club, and has just been appointed to a water resources subcommittee in connection with a survey to be conducted in the Umpqua Basin. He and his wife have four children.

Hansen is affiliated with his brothers, Des and Arnold, in Hansen Bros. Logging Co. With his wife and six children, he lives on the North Umpqua Road about four miles east of Roseburg.

Remodeling and rearrangement of stock at the store, 121 SE Stephens St., has been under way the past few days in preparation for the grand opening.

At present, Gordon Hansen is working at Judd's Furniture, and Elwyn is working at Oerding's. The brothers have been quite active the past two years in developing uranium claims in southeastern Utah. Gordon is a former city councilman.

Skies Clear, Cold Sets In Over Many Sections

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Skies cleared and temperatures dropped in most sections of the mid-continent Tuesday.

The cold air from Canada spread southward into the Great Lakes region, Mississippi and Ohio. Temperatures were as much as 20 to 25 degrees lower than 24 hours earlier in some areas.

The northern Midwest region reported below zero readings in many sections of the Dakotas, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Lowest averages around 10 degrees below zero in the northern two-thirds of the state.

There was a slight warming trend in the South Atlantic states generally in the 60s.

Not much change in temperatures was reported in areas west of the Rockies with readings in the 40s along the West Coast and southern parts of Arizona and New Mexico and in the 20s in other sections.

Strong winds and rain hit South-eastern areas Monday and Monday night. A small tornado swept through a three-mile rural area near Gallatin, Tenn., injuring four persons. Two homes were destroyed and 20 damaged.

Another small twister struck along a half-mile path through timberland area near Russellville, Ga. No injuries were reported.

Entertainer Elsie Janis Succumbs, Friends Learn

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP)—Death has taken Elsie Janis, who sang and danced her way into the hearts of New York, London, Hollywood, and the doughboys of World War I.

She succumbed Sunday night, as quietly as she had lived, during the past decade, in her home here. Friends disclosed her passing in an announcement Monday. She would have been 67 next Tuesday.

Miss Janis spent nearly 30 years on the stage and in films. Her last few years were spent fighting illness.

WRITERS TO MEET

Roseburg Writers Club will meet Wednesday at home of Mrs. Robert W. Bellows at 8 p.m., 1180 N.E. Malheur Ave. (300 W. Third Ave. N.). Interested persons are invited to attend. The topic for the meeting is "Dogs."



PURCHASING AGENT

George Justice has been appointed purchasing agent for Youngs Bay Lumber Co. Inc. of Roseburg, Roy R. Cummings, plant manager reports. He will continue as chief engineer for the company. Harry Radford, millwright foreman and head operating millwright will be Justice's assistant. Justice has been with the company for 20 years. The company cuts 175,000 board feet per shift from timber holdings in the North Umpqua River watershed.

Tree Smashes Car; Two Escape Injury

Two North Bend, Wash., men narrowly escaped injury or death Monday afternoon when a tree toppled on their car as they headed south on Highway 99.

Howard Swaney, 43, and Harold Swaney, 47, were not injured, state police said, in the mishap near the Dodge Inn about two miles north of Canyonville.

The tree fell on the car as the men traveled along in a line of traffic. It crushed the rear window and part of the top of the vehicle. Traffic was tied up for a short time.

In another accident investigated by state police Monday, Mrs. Norman Charles (Betty Jean) Peterson, 23, Sutherlin, was taken to Community Hospital for observation and treatment of minor injuries after her car went off Highway 235 near Sutherlin.

Mrs. Peterson told officers she suddenly became dizzy, and the car went into a ditch before she could come to a stop. Two children with her, Norman C. Peterson Jr., 6, and Michael Richard Peterson, 3, were not injured.

Oregon Allocated More Salk Polio Vaccine

PORTLAND (AP)—Another allocation of Salk polio vaccine for Oregon was reported Monday by the State Board of Health.

Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer, said the newest allocation is of 18,803 cubic centimeters and will be available to private physicians shortly. It has not yet been delivered by manufacturers to the local pharmaceutical houses from which physicians will order it.

This allocation brings the state's total to 258,911 cubic centimeters received since last July, in addition to that used in the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis mass school clinics.

First Bloodshed Reported In Tiny Brazil Revolt

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP)—The first bloodshed was reported Tuesday in Brazil's miniature revolt. Field dispatches said an aide of rebel leader Mai Haroldo Veloso was killed and three Indian guerrillas captured in a brush with government troops.

The fight developed near San Luis, a small town north of the rebel-held jungle strip of Jacare-Arangá 1,500 miles northwest of Rio de Janeiro.

The rebels defying President Juscelino Kubitschek's government are believed to total less than 100 men.

Benefits Of OSEA Told At Meeting Held In Roseburg

At a meeting of Roseburg Chapter 2, Oregon State Employees Assn., James B. Daniels, new executive secretary of the state organization, contended that the OSEA had benefitted all Oregon state employees.

He was the guest speaker at the meeting in the State Highway Dept. office in Roseburg. For the local listeners, Daniels related that Tom Edwards, division engineer for the State Highway Dept., Roseburg, was one of the founding members of the Oregon State Employees Assn. That was in 1943, Daniels said, if the same situation existed now as then, membership would be no problem.

He said the state association has been instrumental in improving the working conditions of the state employee. He said it was instrumental in establishing civil service, which became law in 1945; assisted in getting the various wage increases for state employees over the years; was successful in improving working conditions for employees including the 40-hour week.

He went on to say OSEA has benefitted all Oregon state employees, whether members or not. He related that "We are going to make it so unprofitable to stay out of the association from a monetary standpoint that no state employee can afford to stay out." The stronger the membership, the more OSEA can do for state employees, he said.

Daniels, an attorney in the legal division of the highway department, was selected Jan. 1 from a group of candidates for the executive director's job of the Oregon State Employees Assn. (6,000 members). He replaces Forrest V. Stewart.

Pipeline Sliced; 3 Persons Burned

WEST LOS ANGELES, Calif. (AP)—Three persons were burned seriously and nine structures damaged Monday in the series of explosions and fires caused when a trench-digging machine smashed a pipeline and gasoline seeped into sewers.

Firemen declared an emergency in a 10-square-mile area for more than seven hours. Four schools were closed and pupils sent home. Six houses and three business establishments were hit by blast or flames.

Firemen and police massed in the area after a six-ton trench-digging machine working on a freeway project crunched through an underground gasoline line.

The raw fuel escaped into the freeways trench and seeped into sewers. Fumes spread into homes. Fires, apparently set in motion by appliances, began to dot all directions around the intersection of Sunset and Sepulveda Blvds.

House Committee Votes Same Corporation Tax

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House Ways and Means Committee voted Tuesday to continue corporation income taxes at the present 52 percent rate for another year.

The committee also voted to extend for an additional year present excise (sales) taxes on gasoline and special motor fuels, cigarettes, motor vehicles, and certain alcoholic beverages.

The tax rates are due to drop April 1 unless Congress acts. President Eisenhower has requested they be continued at existing levels until April 1, 1957, to prevent a revenue loss of approximately three billion dollars.

Kefauver Criticizes Farm 'Slogans' Of Ike

SIGOURNEY, Iowa (AP)—Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn.), carrying his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination into Iowa, attacked the Eisenhower administration Monday night for answering farmers' complaints with "slogans" and "pious excuses."

He told a crowd of more than 800 persons—mostly farmers—"it's going to take real money to get the farmers out of the difficulties they're in at the present time."

Algeria Rebels Warned To End Lengthy Revolt

PARIS (AP)—Premier Guy Mollet warned the nationalist rebels of Algeria Tuesday that France will be forced "to mobilize all her strength" to put down their 17-month-old revolt if they refuse to stop fighting.

The Premier promised free elections three months after fighting stopped.

The Premier's statements were made in an address he recorded for broadcast to all of France and revolt-torn North Africa.

The address followed development of sweeping new plans by the government to step up military action against the Algerian nationalists.

Soldiers To Move

These plans approved by the Cabinet would send at least 20,000 more French soldiers to Algeria, bringing the total of French fighting forces there to 350,000 men. They also would mean expenditure of 340 million dollars beyond the normal French military budget of 2½ billion dollars this year.

The program was submitted Tuesday to the National Security Council, France's top military advisers, for approval, and is to go to the National Assembly for endorsement.

In his recorded address, Mollet gave no details of what reinforcements the government is planning to send to Algeria, but he promised an "immense common effort" to protect French lives and property in appealing for cooperation of the French population there.

Negotiations Pledged

He told the Moslems of Algeria that France recognizes and respects the distinctive Algerian personality and repeated pledges to negotiate with Algerian representatives selected in free elections.

Sources close to the cabinet said the 60,000 conscripts to be called up this year are to serve eight months of their army term in Algeria. About 30,000 of the troops in Algeria are due to be released in the next few months.

Such mass use of conscripts overseas will be a marked change in French policy. Draftees have never been sent to North Africa only in limited numbers to avoid adverse political reaction at home.

Airplanes Crash Into Farmhouses In Missouri

KNOB NOSTER, Mo. (AP)—A mother and her son miraculously escaped serious injury yesterday when a six-engine B-47 jet bomber exploded and smashed into their small frame farmhouse.

The plane's four crewmen were killed. Mrs. Clay Curtis and her son Danny, 14, were in the dining room of the four-room house. Danny, ill with the flu, was lying on a couch in his pajamas. Suddenly they heard a terrific roar.

"That must have been an airplane," Danny recalled saying to his mother. Then the big ship came hurtling into the house, setting it on fire.

Mrs. Curtis and her son suffered only minor burns. The home was destroyed.

It was the second plane in one day to crash into a farmhouse. A four-engine Superfort crashed earlier near Dayton, Ohio, and smashed into an unoccupied dwelling, killing all 11 aboard.

Witnesses said the Knob Noster plane, based at nearby Whiteman Air Force Base, exploded about 200 feet above the ground before it crashed.

Austria's Coalition Government Deadlocks

VIENNA, Austria (AP)—Austria's two-party coalition government, deadlocked over questions of nationalization of industry, decided Tuesday to ask dissolution of Parliament and hold new general elections in May.

The Socialist and the Conservative People's Parties make up the government of Austria, which won independence as a neutral under a treaty with the Big Four powers last year.

The decision to seek election of a new Parliament was made at a special meeting of leaders of the two government parties.

The major differences between the Socialists and the Conservatives concern the future of Austria's oil fields and former German property which the Russians turned over to the government at the end of the occupation.

The Socialists insist on complete nationalization of both. The Conservatives want private capital to share in them.

Dulles Rejects Demo Plaints On Red Policy

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles Tuesday rejected Democratic criticism that he has been too optimistic in judging the danger of new Soviet policies. But he said the free world must continue to be fully alert.

Dulles told a news conference the first round of the cold war conflicts appears to be over. He said a second round may be beginning in which Communist leaders will be equally predatory through employing more guile and less naked force than heretofore.

In this situation, he said, complacency would be disastrous. Yet he added that it would not be fair to tell the American people their sacrifices in blood and treasure during the past 10 years have not forced improvements in Soviet behavior.

EQUIPMENT STOLEN

Some logging equipment, including two chainsaws and a pair of loading tongs, have been stolen from Mitchell Logging Co. near Sawyers Rapids. It was reported to the sheriff's office.

Flying Club Buys Another Airplane

Ted Heilman, president of the Umpqua Flying Club, announced today that the club has purchased its fifth plane.

It is a 1955 model 170 four-place, all-metal Cessna, which has been converted to tricycle landing gear. Heilman reports this brings to five the aircraft owned and operated by the club. Total valuation of the five is approximately \$26,000.

In addition to the aircraft owned by the club, seven others are owned privately by members of the club. Total valuation on these is approximately \$40,500.

The new airplane is equipped with very high frequency electronic navigation equipment, Heilman said.

The Umpqua Flying Club has a membership of 47. This year, it is celebrating its 20th anniversary. It was organized in 1936 and is probably the oldest organized flying club in the United States, Heilman related.

He said the club is devoted to the purpose of advancing aviation through sport and business flying.

Local Lumbermen To Attend Logging Session In Eugene

The annual Willamette Valley Logging Conference at the Eugene fairgrounds March 1, 2 and 3 will draw at least six delegates from the central Douglas County area. These men have said they would attend the conference: Cliff Bryden of Roseburg Lumber Co.; Kenneth Craig, manager of the Southern Oregon Scoring Bureau; Craig Dismann of Umpqua Plywood Corp.; Charles Neal of Neal and Germond Logging Co. of Roseburg; Harry Young of Young Logging Co. of Glendale; and Bud Lovell of Trico Logging Co. of Myrtle Creek.

The high point of the Thursday phase of the conference will be a panel discussion on forest access roads. Subjects to be covered are grades and types of roads.

On Friday, a discussion of log grading and re-covering of the woods is on tap. Another discussion series will involve prices of stumpage, grades and highest utilization of timber and methods of bucking to secure proper lengths of cuts to suit plywood plants.

The featured speaker, Friday will be State Rep. Loran L. Stewart of Cottage Grove. In the afternoon, a panel on the subject of contracts and company logging will be moderated by Robert van Orden of Hult Lumber Co. of Junction City.

Saturday will be devoted to displays of machinery and programs put on by machinery men.

The dates of the conference were set for earlier in the year, this year, because more loggers can attend.

Thornton Cancels Gubernatorial Talk

SALEM (AP)—Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton, Democrat, announced Monday he would stick with his original decision to run for reelection.

He announced, before the death of Gov. Paul Patterson, he would seek re-election. But after the governor's death, Thornton had been mentioned as a possible gubernatorial candidate.

So far, he is the only Democratic candidate for attorney general, but state Sen. Carl Francis, Dayton Republican, is seeking the office. Thornton's statement said: "A number of folks have contacted me suggesting that I change my plans and run either for governor or Congress."

"I have carefully considered all letters, phone calls and advice, but I have decided not to seek higher office at this time."

"While I appreciate the compliment I think that it is best that I stay with my original decision and submit my name to the voters for another term as attorney general."

"The work is interesting. I enjoy it and am getting a good grasp of the state's complex and technical legal problems. I would like to continue to serve the people of the state in this capacity."

Chessman Gets Chance To Appeal Case Again

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Condemned convict-author Carl Chessman has another chance to appeal the death sentence which has hung over him for nearly eight years.

Chief Judge William Denman of the U.S. Court of Appeals yesterday granted Chessman a "certificate of probable cause" to appeal to the court against Dist. Judge Louis E. Goodman's decision on Jan. 31. Goodman refused Chessman a writ of habeas corpus. Denman said the new appeal would be entertained solely on grounds of Chessman's contention that he was denied proper representation in Los Angeles Superior Court in April 1949, when his trial transcript was approved.

Judge Goodman ruled "there is not a scintilla of verity" in Chessman's allegations that the transcript was inaccurate and had been altered.

Two Seek Legislative Posts In Salem Filings

SALEM (AP)—Paul W. Houston, Oregon City Republican, filed Monday for state representative from Clackamas County.

Ben Evick, Madras Democrat, filed for state representative from Crook and Jefferson counties.

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Ike Holds Firm In Farm Battle Over Supports

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Eisenhower administration Tuesday ruled out any compromise on the farm bill, center of a close Senate battle over price support features.

Senate GOP leader Knowland of California said after the weekly meeting of the President and Republican legislative leaders that Eisenhower "has not changed his position" against rigid price supports.

Knowland added that he believes the Senate will defeat the Democratic move to restore fixed supports on a close vote. A vote is expected next week.

Knowland said there was no discussion at the White House of whether Eisenhower might veto the farm bill if it should reach him calling for abandonment of the administration's flexible price support system.

Position Seen Same

But he said "the President made it very clear that he has not changed his position."

At the Capitol, Sen. Ellender (D-La.), leading the fight to return to mandatory, high price supports, said the administration "is holding out some bait" to try to win support of cotton state senators for its position.

The bait, he said in an interview, apparently will take two terms — support for legislation which would prevent further cuts in cotton acreage and an announcement expected soon that cotton prices will be supported around 67 per cent of parity in 1956.

Asked if this might win some southern senators away from price supports fixed at 90 per cent, which they traditionally have backed, Ellender replied: "I don't know. But if they make the bait attractive enough, some might be tempted."

He added, however, that "some senators don't like these side deals."

There was no immediate comment from Republican backers of the administration's system of flexible price supports, which on cotton and other basic crops may range between 75 and 90 per cent of parity. Parity is a legal standard said to be fair to farmers in relation to their costs.

Derailment Blocks SP Cascade Tracks

OAKRIDGE, Ore. (AP)—Two Southern Pacific passenger trains were delayed Monday by the derailment of a two-unit diesel engine in the mountains east of here.

The main line was blocked eight hours while the railroad was sending a relief train and crane from Eugene to right the overturned engine. The engine was pushing a snow plow when the accident happened. It apparently hit a snow-covered stump and the snag tore out three ties.

The northbound Klamath was held at Crescent Lake 3½ hours and the southbound Shasta Daylight was stopped at Oakridge 4½ hours.

A snow slide near the same point a week ago hit a freight train, and the line was blocked 10 hours.

Blind Chemist Admits M&F Store Bombing

PORTLAND (AP)—Clarence Peddicord, 38-year-old blind chemist, was declared sane Monday and allowed to plead guilty to the April, 1955, extortion bombing of a department store here.

Earlier his attorney, over his opposition, had entered a plea of innocent because of insanity and this plea had been accepted by the court.

Peddicord admitted shortly after his arrest some time ago that he set off several sticks of dynamite in the Meier and Frank Department store in an attempt to extort \$30,000 from the firm's president, Aaron Frank.

Peddicord said that his sister-in-law, Joyce Keller, 28, helped him in the plot. She has pleaded innocent and is awaiting trial.

Psychiatrists' reports submitted to the court Monday said that although Peddicord has a psychopathic personality and is emotionally immature, he can distinguish right from wrong and is not legally insane.

Circuit Judge Alfred P. Dobson, who accepted the new plea, ordered an investigation preparatory to passing sentence.

PETITIONS FILED

Two Republicans and a Democrat filed petitions with the county clerk Monday for precinct committee posts. They are Ruth Collins, Laurelvale precinct, and R. R. Clarke, Coles Valley, both Republicans, and Claud C. Selleck, Oakland No. 1 precinct, Democrat.

BIKE STOLEN

A bicycle belonging to Jed Gerald Young, 1206 SE Hawthorne Dr., was taken from Central Junior High School Monday. It was reported to Roseburg police.

HOT PANTS

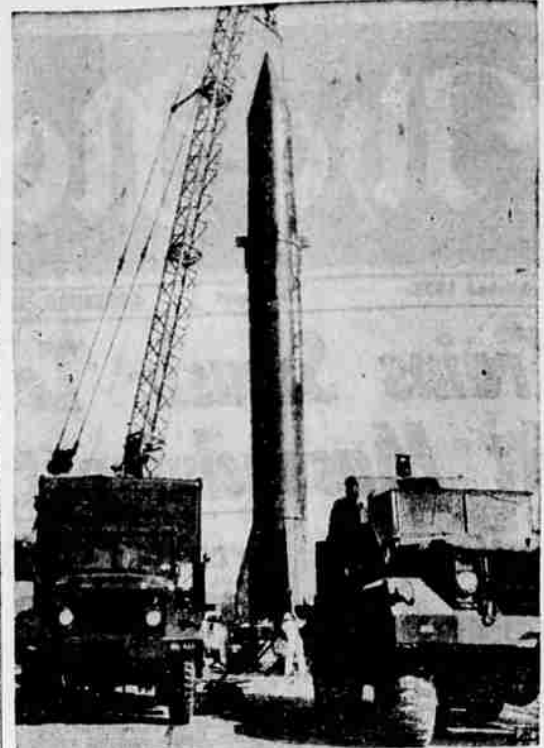
LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—A chemical on Harold Tinnell's pants exploded when he tried to dust it off. The 18-year-old high school student suffered a badly injured hand.

A brother, David, said Harold explained he was dusting potassium chlorate from his trousers and the friction apparently set off the blast.

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FORERUNNER OF ROCKET OF FUTURE—This 60-foot steel tube, capable of spanning hundreds of miles at supersonic speed, is the Army's hope of a 1,500-mile range ballistic missile. It is the "Redstone," developed at Redstone Army Arsenal, Ala., a rocket-testing center. It is being loaded on a launching platform with the help of a huge crane. Redstone so far has an unofficial range of between 200 and 300 miles. (AP).

West Virginia Solon Dies; Demo Majority Cut To One

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Harley Martin Kilgore, the first West Virginian ever elected to three successive terms to the U. S. Senate, died early today.

Death came at 2:23 a.m. to the 63-year-old Democrat at Bethesda Naval Hospital.

He became seriously ill Feb. 25 when he suffered "a minor stroke" at the hospital. He had gone there 12 days before for a physical checkup and treatment for high blood pressure.

Prior to the stroke he had responded favorably to treatment.

Fewer Executions Counted In 1955

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Federal Prisons Bureau said Tuesday 1955 again spotlighted a trend toward fewer civil executions, in evidence for a number of years.

Last year's 76 executions were the smallest number since the bureau started keeping such statistics in 1930, except for 1933, when 62 criminals were put to death.

"During the decade 1930-1939, an average of 167 prisoners were executed per year," the bureau reported. "During the 1940-49 decade the average dropped to 133; and during the six years 1950-55, it fell again to 82."

There were 82 executions in 1954. Forty-four jurisdictions — 42 states, the District of Columbia and federal reservations — provide the death penalty for grave offenses. The bureau said in 1955 executions were carried out in only 19 jurisdictions, the fewest for any of the record-keeping years.

Viola Player Scheduled At Eugene Wednesday

The man "Time Magazine" calls "the world's finest viola player," William Primrose, will be guest artist with the Portland Symphony Orchestra at a Eugene Civic Music Assn. concert Wednesday.

For ECMA members only, the concert will be held in McArthur Court, starting at 8 p.m. Primrose will be heard in Beethoven's "Harold In Italy." Other program selections will include works by Mozart and Oregon composer Ernest Bloch.

Violist Primrose was born in Scotland. He made his first public appearance at the age of 10 in the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto.

Metal Workers Return To Hanford Atom Works

RICHLAND (AP)—Work at a Hanford atomic works construction project resumed Tuesday morning after negotiators at Washington, D.C., hammered out an agreement Monday on a dispute that had idled 850 workers since Feb. 20.

The agreement was reached by spokesmen for the Atomic Energy Commission and the International Sheet Metal Workers' Union, according to word received here. The subject of the original dispute and the settlement were not announced.

The men idled were employed by the Jones Construction Co.

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