

Forecast: Mostly cloudy Wednesday night. Patches of fog Thursday morning becoming fair in the afternoon. Colder Wednesday night.

A special Christmas section, full of gift and decorating suggestions, will be included in Thursday's Register-Guard. Read it to get a head-start on the shopping rush.

U.S. Casualties in Korean War Exceed 100,000

22,000 Added to List Since Talks Opened

WASHINGTON (AP) — A 100,000th American has been killed or wounded in Korea.

Over 15,000 GIs Killed in Fighting

Since the Chinese Reds crossed the Manchurian border into the then virtually unpopulated Korean battlefield a little more than one year ago.

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37 MILLION FIRE RAGES

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — A raging fire in a port area customs warehouse killed one person and injured five others Tuesday.

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On-Again, Off-Again Cease-Fire Plans Currently On-Again

MUNSAN, Korea — (AP) — Truce hopes brightened Wednesday when Communist negotiators submitted a cease-fire plan of their own that could open the way for a Korean armistice by Christmas.

It was similar to a United Nations plan for creating a buffer zone along the present fighting line to take effect if an armistice is signed within 30 days.

A UN command communiqué referred to the resemblance as superficial.

But the command's official spokesman, Brig. Gen. William P. Nuckols, said if the Red plan "means what we think it means... then I think we are very close to solution" of the buffer zone question.

The point in doubt was whether the Communist proposal means "that troops will be withdrawn from the buffer zone after an armistice is signed" as the UN has proposed.

After the Communists submitted their counterproposal at Panmunjom at Wednesday's two-hour truce session, Allied negotiators tried to determine whether the Reds contemplated an immediate or delayed withdrawal from a buffer zone to be created along the present front.

At the close of the session Maj. Gen. Henry I. Hodes, heading the UN subcommittee, told the Red delegates "we will present you with the necessary revisions to clear up this proposal" at Thursday's meeting. It is set for 11 a.m. (6 p.m. Wednesday PST).

At Panmunjom Nuckols said there were traces of fundamental differences between the Allied and Red proposals. He said the Communist plan contained "rather ambiguous and vague phraseology." But at a later briefing for the press in Munsan he said: "I am more optimistic than I have been for some time past."

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Sewage Plant Site Selected By Utility Board

Willamette River Unanimous Choice

A site on Garden Way about one-half mile west of Springfield was picked for that city's planned sewage disposal plant by the Springfield Utility Board Tuesday night.

With a bare quorum of three of the board's five members on hand, the Garden Way site was an unanimous choice. Voting for it were board members Ed Starr and Dean Stevens. Chairman J. W. Boeshans presided.

Absent were D. W. Offley and Don Peglow. Stevens said both "seemed to be in accord" with selection of the chosen site.

Months of Controversy

Final selection of the site for the proposed \$430,000 Springfield disposal plant followed months of controversy.

In September, the utility board went on record as opposing a proposed Springfield tie-in with Eugene's new disposal plant. From that time on, argument has centered about whether to locate the plant on the Willamette or McKenzie river.

Investigated Site

A board committee investigated the proposed sites and recommended the Willamette one as the most economical. It is also more feasible in terms of better service for new housing developments west of Springfield, Stevens said.

The site is located on property owned by E. J. Rankin, who has expressed a willingness to sell land for the plant, it was stated.

Officially, the board passed a motion that it "go on record as favoring the acquisition of the E. J. Rankin property as the site for the Springfield sewage disposal plant."

Secondary Treatment

Sewage will be given primary and secondary treatment when the new plant is complete, according to Frank R. Brown, utility board secretary. This is the "full treatment," Brown said.

After settling upon the disposal plant site, the board discussed the problem of easement for the sewer line from the city limits to the plant. Tentative plans call for the line to run along Garden Way. It will be from two to five feet underground.

Israeli Group Admits Failure

PARIS (AP) — The United Nations Palestine conciliation commission announced Wednesday its failure to settle Arab-Israeli differences.

The commission said it had called off the fruitless talks begun here Aug. 10 because neither party showed willingness to make concessions.

The group—made up of representatives of the United States, France and Turkey—now is drafting a report of its failure to the General Assembly. It then will be up to the assembly to decide whether the commission should be liquidated or continue in existence.

All attempts of the commission to get the two sides to accept numerous compromise plans for a peace treaty have failed since the group first met in Jerusalem in February, 1949.

King Cleared In Tax Inquiry

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House investigating committee declared Wednesday there is no foundation for rumors that its chairman, Rep. King (D-Cal.), intervened in three southern California tax cases.

Rep. Combs (D-Tex.), acting chairman of a House ways and means sub-committee which has been looking into irregularities in the Internal Revenue Bureau, handed newsmen a statement saying: "The subcommittee has unanimously concluded that the rumors concerning actual or attempted intervention by Representative King in these matters are completely without foundation."

The subcommittee has held closed door hearings the past two days on the rumors.

Most Schools to Have Long Holiday Vacation

As usual, Eugene, Springfield, and Bethel, school kids can eat their Thanksgiving turkey without worrying about going to school on a full stomach the next day.

The annual two-day school holiday will be observed Thursday and Friday by all schools in these areas.

Most county schools will also be out for two days, but not all of them. A few districts plan to hold classes Friday. All will be dismissed Thursday.

Warren Has Operation

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Governor Earl Warren underwent an operation at the University of California Hospital Wednesday for removal of his appendix and a number of abdominal adhesions, the governor's office reported. He is a candidate for the Republican nomination for president.



THIS BUG, A DISTANT COUSIN of Lane County's spruce budworm, is 32-feet long. He will be a star performer Friday morning in the annual balloon parade which will inaugurate the Christmas shopping season in Eugene. Marching down Willamette St. with him at 9:30 a.m. will be 33 other balloons, 11 bands, two floats, drum majorettes and two color guards.

Court Defends Own Action In Springfield Zoning Issue

The county court Wednesday had an answer to reports of dissatisfaction over the body's refusal to sign a proposed zoning ordinance for the East Springfield area.

The court returned the proposal Nov. 10 with three recommendations of its own.

County Judge Day T. Bayly has been afflicted with an almost total loss of voice since his return from week-long sessions of county officials in Portland. However he issued this written, signed statement of his views on the matter:

"The Lane County Court is following a concept of democracy to the effect that the majority should not take undue advantage of the minority or even of individuals. When an area is zoned for the first time, great care should be exercised not to needlessly take vested property value from any individuals.

"The court attended two public hearings and carefully considered many phone calls and personal appearances. Just as our circuit judges are required, before passing sentence, to ask if the loser has anything further to say, we asked to hear from those, if any, who were dissatisfied with the way their property was being zoned.

"Letters were received from all but one of the owners whose property was affected by the court's recommendation. We considered their requests just, and we think any other zoning would be taking property without just compensation. These individuals had invested in property near a railroad track and were entitled to be protected in their judgment that any future zoning would apply the principle of the natural use of the property by a railroad track. Those who have foresight should not suffer because of lack of foresight by others."

The two county commissioners concurred generally with Bayly's views.

Commissioner Robert Maclay had this to say on the matter: "We saw modifications which could be made which would better meet the public need. We fully intend to sign some zoning ordinance. Our recommendations

will meet the public need better than the plan first broached."

These were Commissioner Lee Raish's views on the problem: "We are going to plan for the benefit of the whole of Lane County, not just for the benefit of a few people. That's what I call planning, not just this spot planning for the benefit of a few. That's what the county court is supposed to do, plan to the best of its knowledge. You must look over the board area. I don't care if you live in Springfield, Junction City or Florence."

Raish apparently referred to last Thursday's charge by County Planning Consultant Howard Buford that the courts' action was in accordance with the will of the majority. Buford said at that time he had in his office signed petitions from 90 per cent of the residents in the affected area favoring the zoning plan as presented to the court by the planning commission.

Young Logger Killed by Cable

Ernest Wilhelm Blom, 28, of 431 W. Broadway, Eugene, was killed instantly at 2:10 p.m. Tuesday when struck by a logging cable on Gate Creek near Vida.

A choker-setter for Gustina Bros. Lumber Co., Blom was told to go down a hill but to stay above the main line, Fred Buell, Lane County coroner, said the loggers told him.

Blom moved too close to the line, and when it was tightened it struck him in the head, Buell said.

The young man had been employed by the Gustina firm for three months, since coming to Eugene from Kathryn, N. D. Tuesday was his first day at the logging operation on Gate Creek.

Surviving are the widow, Linette Blom, and two sons, Stanley, 5, and Richard, 3, all of Kathryn, N. D.

W. W. Hellekson of Eugene, with whom Blom lived, said Blom's family had planned to move here during Christmas.

The body will be shipped to Valley City, N. D., for funeral services and interment.

Democrats, Republicans Trade Punches on Campaign Issues

By JACK BELL, Associated Press Staff Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Truman, in a speech reminiscent of his 1948 "give 'em hell" style, declared Tuesday night that the Democrats won't take lying down the "lies and smears" he said he anticipates from Republicans and "special interests" in the 1952 presidential campaign.

Mr. Truman told an audience of party members here he thinks more money will be spent "in trying to defeat the Democratic Party next year than has ever before been spent in any election in the history of the country."

Charge 'Corruption'

This brought from Republicans more "corruption" charges. Mr. Truman did not mention in his speech any of the charges of wrongdoing which have been alleged against his administration.

His declaration that "the truth and the facts are on our side" brought a retort from Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) that "President Truman should certainly get the prize for political effrontery" for his speech.

Reds Complain Of U.S. Plane Crossing Border

Craft Still Missing South of Germany

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — (AP) — Hungary and Romania complained officially Wednesday that a United States Army cargo plane — still missing after being fired on by the satellite border guards Monday — crossed over their territories illegally.

Notes were presented to the American missions in Budapest and Bucharest, even as U.S. planes prepared to search over Yugoslavia for the missing C-47 transport, which disappeared Monday with four crewmen and diplomatic cargo aboard.

The two Cominform countries maintain a tight control all along their borders with Yugoslavia.

The notes were presented after American inquiries were made concerning the whereabouts of the plane, whose pilot had radioed his base at Munich Monday afternoon that he had been fired upon by the border patrols of the two countries and had turned back westward.

The pilot's reports, as disclosed by the U.S. embassy in Belgrade, did not mention any damage from the shooting.

Bad weather hampered the search. Fifteen U.S. Air Force planes were poised at Treviso in northern Italy, at the juncture of the Italian, Austrian and Yugoslav borders, ready for the word that would send them over an area of 7000 square miles, much of it craggy mountains and wooded hills.

The plane, carrying a general cargo for the embassy here, was last reported somewhere north of Belgrade at dusk Monday, with its gasoline running low. It was attempting to retrace its route back to Udine, near Trieste, in the hope of refueling there.

Premier Marshal Tito's government gave the search planes permission to fly over the northwest part of Yugoslavia, an area previously forbidden to foreign planes which had been confined to several well-defined air corridors over the country.

Yugoslavia border guards reported seeing the plane Monday near both the Hungarian and Romanian borders, far off its scheduled route. Bellet was expressed here that the pilot mistook the Drava River for the Sava River, which it was supposed to follow.

Timber Levy Constitutional

SALEM (AP) — It is constitutional to assess penalties for failure to pay the state reforestation tax, the State Supreme Court ruled Wednesday.

The forest tax amounts to 5 cents an acre west of the Cascade Mountains, and 2½ cents on the east side. It is levied annually. In addition, there is an annual yield tax of 12½ cents an acre.

The suit was brought against the State Forestry Department by Fred Gooch Jr. and John V. Johnson, Linn County timber owners who owed \$574 in taxes and \$459 in penalty for failure to pay.

They contended the penalty is unconstitutional, but were overruled by Circuit Judge Victor Oliver, of Linn County. The high court's opinion, by Justice George Rossman, upheld Judge Oliver.

Eugene to Start Traffic School In Safety Drive

Many other U.S. cities have tried "traffic schools" as a means of reducing accident rates. Now Eugene is planning to give the idea a whirl.

Police Chief Ted Brown Tuesday reported the city plans to use a large storage space upstairs in the new city jail as the school site.

Working with Municipal Judge John L. Barber, Jr., Chief Brown has arranged for a "curriculum" of traffic safety instruction, driving tips and reviews of the state motor laws. The school, probably to be held once each month, also will have the stamp of modern education.

Audio-visual aids—projection slides and sound movies—will be used, Chief Brown reported. And, in this connection, he mentioned that General Petroleum Co. is sending Eugene a gift copy of its traffic film, "And Then There Were Four." Most cities must borrow copies of the film from the company for special occasions, but General Petroleum has been impressed by Eugene's efforts to improve driving safety. Hence, the gift, Brown said.

There'll be an old-fashioned touch about the school, too. Attendance will be compulsory for those errant drivers Judge Barber decides should become students.

Comic Books 'Not So Bad'

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A Michigan State College professor who spent six months reading comic books concludes, "they're not so bad."

Dr. Morton Malter, assistant professor of education, read through 10,440 pages of 185 comic books as part of a research project.

His report: "General attacks on comic magazines are unwarranted. It is not true that they are dominated by crime, sex and violence... 90 per cent of them would be acceptable for publication in newspapers."

The professor said that by percentages, adventure, animal antics and western stories outnumber love, detective and superhero stories. Adventure had the greatest single percentage—15.7, with westerns second with 11.

"Good" comic books, the professor concluded, "greatly outnumber the unacceptable ones."

Indian Plane Crash Kills 16

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Sixteen persons died Wednesday in the crash of an Indian airliner at Calcutta's Dum Dum Airport. The 17th person aboard was reported in a serious condition.

The plane, operated by Deccan Airways, was completing a flight from New Delhi to Calcutta and crashed as it came in for a landing.

First reports said all 14 passengers and three crew members aboard were killed. A communique later said that 15 were killed and two injured in the crash, but that one of the injured died en route to the hospital.

The dead included Deshbandhu Gupta, managing editor of the Delhi Indian News Chronicle

half million dollars per station and say it would cost about \$100,000 a year to operate one.

Dual Frequency Costs More

Standard TV receivers now in use would not pick up UHF signals, and converters cost from \$15 to \$50. Beginning to appear on the market now, however, are dual-frequency sets which would receive standard TV and UHF. They cost slightly more.

But another disadvantage to UHF which local radiomen believe may keep Hopalong and wrestling out of Lane County homes is the question mark concerning equipment.

Because UHF is new, it is not certain that practical equipment can be purchased now.

Why is the FCC trying to push this expensive, and as yet, uncertain type of TV off on the state? The main reason is that the channels available in the very high frequency ranges are pretty well filled and another frequency area must be opened.

Locally, it adds up to a fairly long, indefinite wait—unless the tentative plans are changed and Eugene is assigned one of the very few remaining regular channels.

TV for Eugene Next Spring? Radiomen Take Dim View

In addition, this week's summary of the TV situation lists the probable opening of 20 UHF ultra-high frequency television channels in the state come February. There would be two each for Eugene, Portland and Salem, and one each for Albany, Ashland, Astoria, Baker, Bend, Burns, Corvallis, Klamath Falls, La Grande and Salem. One Portland channel and two at Eugene and Corvallis would be reserved for educational institutions. Eugene's lone channel would probably go to the University of Oregon.

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Seven Cities On List

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