

Mud Looking Up

Negro Families Face Problems

EDITOR'S NOTE: It has been four years since several Negro families were forced to vacate county-owned land...

By R. HARLOW SCHILLIOS Register-Guard Staff Writer The Negro congregation shucked the mud from their feet...

You could have shut your eyes—the way we Americans sometimes practice democracy—and imagined the finest cathedral about you...

When on Unemployed Lists Today he is a cement finisher, the father of five children...

Trusted Mill-Owner's Word Not so, say the colored men. "We were available as a group, if necessary..."

Many Skills Wasted One is an embalmer and funeral director, five men qualify as cabinet graders...

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The Dutchman' Plane Alert Remains Mum WASHINGTON (AP) — Henry (the Dutchman) Grunewald...

Plane Alert Fizzles Out NEWHALL, Cal. — (AP) — Reports of a big plane's crash in the rugged Tehachapi Mountains...

New Marine Chief Takes Oath of Office WASHINGTON (AP) — Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd was sworn in Friday as the 20th commandant of the Marine Corps...

Allies Open Gates For Italy to Rearm By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER Associated Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States and other Atlantic Allies Friday opened the way for Italy to rear arm on a large scale...

Prisoners Give Blood WASHINGTON (AP) — State prison convicts had a record blood giving day Thursday, donating 260 pints of Red Cross.

Inside Today WASHINGTON (AP) — The plague Soviet em-bassy check OSS slaying.

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Hungary to Try 4 U.S. Airmen As Saboteurs

'Border Violated,' Commies Contend

BUDAPEST, Hungary — (AP) — The four-man crew of an American C-47 forced down in Hungary by Soviet fighters on Nov. 19 will be tried here by a Hungarian court of justice.

The Hungarian foreign ministry handed a note to the U.S. legation. It said, in part: "The government of the Hungarian Peoples' Republic considers it as a fully established fact that it was premeditated intention that the American aircraft violated the Hungarian border."

'Violate Border' "The aircraft which violated the Hungarian border was a military transport aircraft and equipped with military operational maps, a radio transmitter, parachutes, etc."

The four have been identified in Washington as Capt. Dave Henderson of Shawnee, Okla., Capt. John J. Swift of Glen Falls, N.Y., Sgt. James A. Elam of Kingsland, Ark., and Tech. Sgt. Jess A. Duff of Spokane, Wash.

'Spies, Saboteurs' Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky told a U.N. Assembly committee in Paris Wednesday the four were "spies and saboteurs."

The fliers were forced down by Soviet fighters stationed in Hungary under the peace treaty. They were on a diplomatic mission to Belgrade from a base in Germany when, American authorities contended, they lost their way.

State Approves Bypass Route

PORTLAND (AP) — Seven Oregon towns will be bypassed by the Pacific Highway 99 relocation project which the State Highway Commission approved Friday.

R. H. Baldock, chief engineer, was given authority to award a contract for the first section of the new highway as soon as right of way purchases are completed.

The towns to be bypassed are Creswell, Cottage Grove, Drain, Yoncalla, Oakland, Sutherlin and Gold Hill. Hearings on the relocation plan were held in each of the towns from Oct. 7 to 9.

Leonard and State. Portland was low bidder to build the first part of the new road—a 5.6-mile section south of Cottage Grove. The firm's bid was \$1,530,464.

Other contract awards: Paving the Judkins Point-Goshen section of the relocated Highway 99 south of Eugene. E. C. Hall, Portland, and J. C. Comp-ton, McMinnville, submitted a joint low bid of \$886,361. The paving is to be completed by next October.

GM Asks OPS To Up Prices WASHINGTON (AP) — General Motors Friday asked a boost in wholesale ceiling prices on its five makes of passenger automobiles.

The requested raises ranged \$60 on the best selling Chevrolet to \$103 on the best selling Cadillac.

GM applied to the Office of Price Stabilization for the price adjustments under the Caperhart amendment to the Economic Controls Law. This allows manufacturers to add cost increases to pre-Korean selling prices to determine new ceilings.

GM, giant of the motor industry, was the second of the big three to ask such ceiling increases. Ford applied earlier in the week.

Studebaker, Hudson, and Kaiser-Frazer also have asked higher ceilings.



IKE IS HOST—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower greets British Prime Minister Winston Churchill on the latter's arrival for luncheon at Ike's Supreme Allied Command headquarters near Paris.

Cost of Living Climbs Again

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Government's cost of living index rose another 0.6 per cent to a new peak in November.

As a result, approximately a million and a quarter railroad workers will get a pay boost of four cents an hour. Their wage scales are tied to the rise and fall of the index.

The Assn. of American Railroads estimates that each cent an hour increase means for the carriers about an extra 30 million dollars a year. On this basis, beginning January 1, the railroad workers would begin receiving additional pay at the rate of 120 million dollars a year.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics, which keeps the tally, said its index reached 188.6 per cent of the 1935-39 base level. It said that increases for miscellaneous goods and services and in prices of fresh fruits and vegetables was mainly responsible for the rise.

The bureau said the Nov. 15 index was 10.8 per cent higher than in June 1950, before the outbreak of the Korean War, and 6.9 per cent above November, 1950.

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PANMUNJOM, Korea (Saturday)—(AP)—The Communists have failed to account for more than 1000 Allied prisoners, nearly all Americans, they had claimed as being in their hands, the United Nations command charged yesterday.

In a stern note to the Reds, the UN truce delegation demanded that they give a "complete, proper and satisfactory" explanation of the reason why these names were not included in the list of prisoners, among them 3198 Americans, they submitted as part of armistice negotiations.

In addition, the UN command reminded the Reds, tens of thousands of South Korean prisoners have not been accounted for.

Cowboy Boots Throw Actor For Big Loss

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A casualty of an effort to pull on a pair of cowboy boots, actor Joseph Cotten returned home Thursday night on a stretcher from an Arizona movie location.

He arrived by train on a stretcher, accompanied by a nurse, and was met at the station by a doctor.

Cotten fractured a disc in his spine, it was stated, when he tumbled backward in a Douglas Hotel room while trying on a pair of cowboy boots. His doctor said the injury is painful but not serious.

Ching Gives Up On Steel Talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Steel labor negotiations collapsed Friday and the dispute was referred to President Truman as being in a complete deadlock.

Cyrus S. Ching, federal mediation service director, ended his efforts to negotiate a settlement.

He told reporters he was sending the case to the White House as hopeless—leaving it up to the President to decide on the next step to try to avert a threatened New Year's Day strike in the vital steel industry.

Mr. Truman apparently has two courses to take. One is to invoke the Taft-Hartley Act, with its provisions for an 80-day court injunction prohibiting a walkout.

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Ellis R. Parker, teacher of thousands of Lane County folks during his 51 years of service, 30 in Eugene, died Friday at his home.

Heat Prevents Crew Boarding Burned Vessel

11 Bodies Missing In Ship Disaster

ASTORIA (UP) — The fire-swept Danish motorship Erria held the secret Friday of what happened to 11 missing passengers and crewmen while the Coast Guard announced the once palatial vessel was "still too hot" to board for an investigation.

The Erria, grounded near the Oregon side of the Columbia River to clear the stream for navigation, smoldered from flames that ate into a hold containing wheat and into the engine room. Some smoke still was visible over the superstructure.

Cmdr. Quentine Greeley, port captain for the Coast Guard at Astoria, said no one would go aboard Friday because of the heat.

He said it was possible that the bodies of eight passengers and three crewmen missing from an original list of 114 persons were all on board.

Investigation Slated Greeley said the Coast Guard might pump water into the wheat after cutting holes in the ship's side.

Emil Mogens Dagh, American manager for the East Asiatic Co., operators of the Erria, was scheduled to arrive here to aid the investigation.

The fire broke out early Thursday morning, possibly from a defective cable in the No. 5 hold. The flames quickly ate their way into the upper deck.

Captain M. Agge ordered the passengers and crew to abandon ship five minutes after the first alarm was sounded. Within 20 minutes, 23 passengers and 80 crew members had clambered down rope ladders to lifeboats and coast guard cutters.

Fishermen helped pull some of the passengers and crew members through portholes. Most of them hastily donned overcoats and their nightclothes, leaving their baggage behind.

No Boats Missing At first it was believed that the missing, who included eight passengers and three crew members, were in a lifeboat. However, a check showed all four of the Erria's lifeboats accounted for. One of them had capsized while being lowered. No one was in it.

The coast guard doubted that any of the missing swam to shore and no bodies were found in the water.

The ship was on its way from Portland to Liverpool with a cargo of wheat, apples and lumber.

Guard Denies Dope Dealing SALEM (AP) — Howard B. Hansen, 27, state prison guard accused of smuggling drugs into the penitentiary, pleaded innocent in district court Friday.

District Judge Val Sloper ordered a jury trial for December 27. Maximum punishment on this charge is \$600 fine and six months in jail.

Warden Virgil O'Malley accused Hansen Thursday of smuggling a drug similar to benzadrine to prisoners.

O'Malley said the prison drug problem has been serious for a long time, and that he catches about four prisoners a week using the drug.

The convicts use benzadrine and similar drugs to get "high," as the drugs' effects are similar to those of narcotics.

So What? Winter's Here Now

Winter, which for practical purposes like fuel bills has been here for some time, will arrive officially at 11:01 a.m. Saturday.

At that moment the North Pole will be tilted 23 degrees and 27 minutes away from the sun.

But nobody can tell by looking Saturday, the theoretical "shortest day" of the year, will be exactly the same length as Thursday and Friday. On those three days there were eight hours and 53 minutes between the 7:43 a.m. sunrise and the 4:36 p.m. sunset.

Sunday will be a minute longer than Thursday, Friday and Saturday. That day the sun will rise one minute later, at 7:44, but will set two minutes later, at 4:38. Sunday, with eight hours and 54 minutes, will be the same length as Wednesday when the sun came up at 7:42 a.m. and went down at 4:36.

And, as winter comes at 11:01 a.m. Saturday, there will be only one and a half shopping days until Christmas.

Quick Capture Follows Tavern Robbery, Fight

Twelve hours after he robbed and beat a Eugene tavern owner, a 20-year-old Coos County youth was arrested by state and Roseburg city police and confessed his guilt to them.

James McAlpine Clark, of Delwood, Ore., admitted that he held up John D. Motheral at the Friendly Tavern, 1687 W. 6th Ave., about 1:30 a.m. Thursday.

Recorded Statement In a wire recorded statement taken after his 1:30 p.m. arrest in an apartment north of Roseburg, Clark also confessed that he had beaten Motheral with a knife in a fight that preceded his escape from the tavern. Thirty stitches were needed to close Motheral's wounds after the fight.

Friday morning, Eugene officers were dispatched to return Clark for trial here. He was held overnight in the Douglas County jail, charged with assault and armed robbery. His bail was set at \$3000.

To Make Payments The Associated Press reported from Roseburg that Clark said he held up Motheral to get money to maintain payments on a new Ford convertible and a house trailer.

The Ford was found stalled on Pierce St., between 6th and 7th Aves., shortly after the holdup. Two \$5 bills and two \$20's were found in and around the car, and a bloodstained coat was in the seat. Later, officers found a money bag containing \$51.20 stuffed under the seat and identified it as the one Motheral had surrendered to Clark at gunpoint. Clark's pistol also was in the car.

Another \$77 of the estimated \$200 holdup loot was found on Clark when he was taken into custody.

Admits Car Theft The Associated Press also reported Friday that Clark admitted stealing a Chevrolet sedan to complete his getaway after his convertible bogged down on Pierce St.

The Chevrolet was recovered Thursday near the Eugene Hotel, and a friend of Clark's told police that Clark had abandoned it there an hour after the robbery.

Ignored Advice Information from Clark's friend provided the real "break" in the case and led to his arrest at Roseburg. Clark went to the friend's home about 3 a.m. Thursday and said he had been in a fight.

Later when Clark told his host about the tavern holdup, he was urged to turn himself in to the police. When he instead called another friend at Roseburg asking him to come to Eugene and give him transportation back to Roseburg, Clark's Eugene acquaintance reported all that he knew to city police.

A radio alert to state and local police at Roseburg then resulted in Clark's quick apprehension.

UN Negotiators Agree to Quit Korean Islands

'Major Concession' Made to Commies

PANMUNJOM, Korea — (UP) — The United Nations agreed Friday to give up all islands it holds off the east and west coasts of Communist North Korea in a major concession to speed up an armistice.

UN staff officers attached no strings to the offer, but a spokesman said it was made in anticipation that the Reds would yield later to other Allied demands—perhaps on the key issue of rotation of troops during a truce.

The U.N. gave in to the Communists on the island question at a two-hour morning meeting of three Allied and two Communist staff officers.

Talks Resumed Altogether the staff officers agreed during the morning on three "ground rules" for carrying out an armistice. However, they resumed their negotiations at 3 p.m. with the most controversial issues still before them—notably the U.N. demands for unlimited troop rotation and a ban on new airfield construction.

The U.N. and Communist truce delegates threw the whole problem of carrying out and polling an armistice to the staff officers Thursday for solution after they found themselves apparently hopelessly deadlocked.

3 Ground Rules U.N. spokesman Brig. Gen. William P. Nuckols said the agreement on the first three "ground rules" put the staff officers on "the road to solution" despite the obstacles which lie ahead.

The three "ground rules" were: 1. All armed forces of both sides shall cease-fire within 24 hours after an armistice agreement is signed and becomes effective.

2. Armed forces of both sides shall withdraw approximately 1 1/2 miles from the cease-fire line within 72 hours of an armistice to form a demilitarized buffer zone 2 1/2 miles wide.

3. All ground, naval and air forces of either side shall be withdrawn within five days from the rear and the coastal islands and waters of the other side "and any others specifically and mutually agreed" upon.

Nuckols called the Allied agreement to withdraw from islands off the Communist coasts "definitely a major concession."

3 Main Groups The concession means that the Allies will give up three main groups of islands—off the mouth of the Yalu River, which forms the boundary between Korea and Manchuria; off Chinnampo, the west coast port for Pyongyang, the North Korean capital; and off the east coast port of Wonsan.

Actually, the Communists claimed to have recaptured six of the islands off the west coast this month, but this has not been confirmed by the U. N. command.

Rains Plague Tent Dwellers

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—Two weeks of torrential rains have left a trail of death and destruction among tens of thousands of tent-dwelling Arab refugees in the Middle East, it was reported here Friday.

(Jewish immigrant families in tent camps in Israel also were suffering, reports from Jerusalem and Tel Aviv said.)

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) headquarters in Beirut said all relief organizations were taxed to the limit to meet the emergency.

Gaza, ancient biblical coastal city in Palestine was the hardest hit. UNRWA reported that 36,000 persons have been evacuated from the Gaza area. Some 20,000 have found emergency accommodations in mosques and churches. The agency reported that the unprecedented rains tore down nearly 5000 refugee tents in the Gaza area.

Annual Christmas Party Show Slated Saturday

One of the county's biggest Christmas parties will begin at 9:15 a.m. Saturday when the Elks Lodge opens the doors of the McDonald Theater for a free show.

Elks members said after the special show the guests will be escorted by Santa to the lodge to receive presents. Elks emphasized all children are invited.

UN Defeats Red Charge

PARIS (AP)—The United Nations Political Committee gave the United States a vote of confidence Friday by rejecting Russian charges that the U. S. was supporting anti-Kremlin plotters on Soviet soil.

The vote was 39 against the Russian resolution, 5 for it and 11 abstentions.

An American spokesman said the vote backing up U. S. denials of the charges would have been even larger except that several pro-American delegations had already left Paris for the Christmas holidays.

OREGON WAGES HIGHER

SALEM (AP) — The average hourly wage of Oregon's industrial workers during November went over the \$2 mark for the first time, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission said Friday.