

THE BEND BULLETIN

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State Forecast

Oregon — Partly cloudy to day with scattered showers in mountains. Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday. High today 62-72. Thursday 68-78. Low tonight 38-48.

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Cooperation By District Groups Liked

Central Oregon Chamber Meets at Sisters; Air Show Efforts Get Praise

"The splendid cooperation between mid-state communities was the major factor in the success of the air-education day program recently held in Redmond," W. M. Bartlett, director of the state board of aeronautics, stated to Central Oregon chamber of commerce members, their wives, and guests, at a banquet meeting last night at Sisters.

Bartlett said that he believed the show was a huge success, and credit for it should go to the Central Oregon chamber because it served admirably in coordinating the efforts of all the mid-state communities in promotion of the show.

"Competitive cooperation," is what the director called the characteristic of the mid-state communities in working together toward ends which benefit the area.

Can Band Together

He explained that while the people here were vitally interested in their individual communities, they were capable of banding together to work for the best interests of central Oregon as a whole.

"There is need for the spirit of competitive cooperation in other areas of the state and in the northwest," Bartlett asserted.

He declared that only through such cooperation as exemplified in central Oregon can the economy of the state and Pacific Northwest be advanced.

He added that progress in development of the natural resources in this part of the country depends upon its people pooling their resources together, and working toward goals which will benefit the entire area.

In conclusion, Bartlett urged members of the Central Oregon chamber to continue their progressive work in building for better mid-state communities.

Cooperation Commended

Mrs. Melvin Whitmaker, a representative of the board of aeronautics who worked with the chamber in planning the air show, also commended the group for its cooperation and expressed her appreciation for the "wonderful" central Oregon hospitality.

Otto Hoppes, president of the chamber, said that the organization was well satisfied with the results of the show and praised the Redmond Buckaroo breakfast club for its outstanding work in serving over 800 pilots and guests in conjunction with the program.

In other actions at the meeting reports were given by various members on activities in which the chamber is now engaged.

Floyd West reported briefly on the meeting between McKenzie river and central Oregon chambers, which was held recently at Suttle lake lodge for the discussion of an all year route between the two areas.

A recommendation was made by Tommy Thompson, of Redmond, that the chamber participate in a ceremony to be held in Detroit, August 7, in celebration (Continued on Page 3)

Impressions of Central Oregon Visitors

"One of the primary reasons for our being in Bend at this time is to view the water pageant." So commented Mrs. Gail Avery, of Gordon, Neb., who is vacationing here with her mother, Mrs. Forest Johnson, and niece, Janice and Geraldine Ostrander, all of Gordon.

Mrs. Avery said that she had heard so many favorable reports about the pageant that she believed it would be worthwhile making the trip west for the occasion.

At present she and her party are visiting her brother and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Johnson of Bend.

Touring State

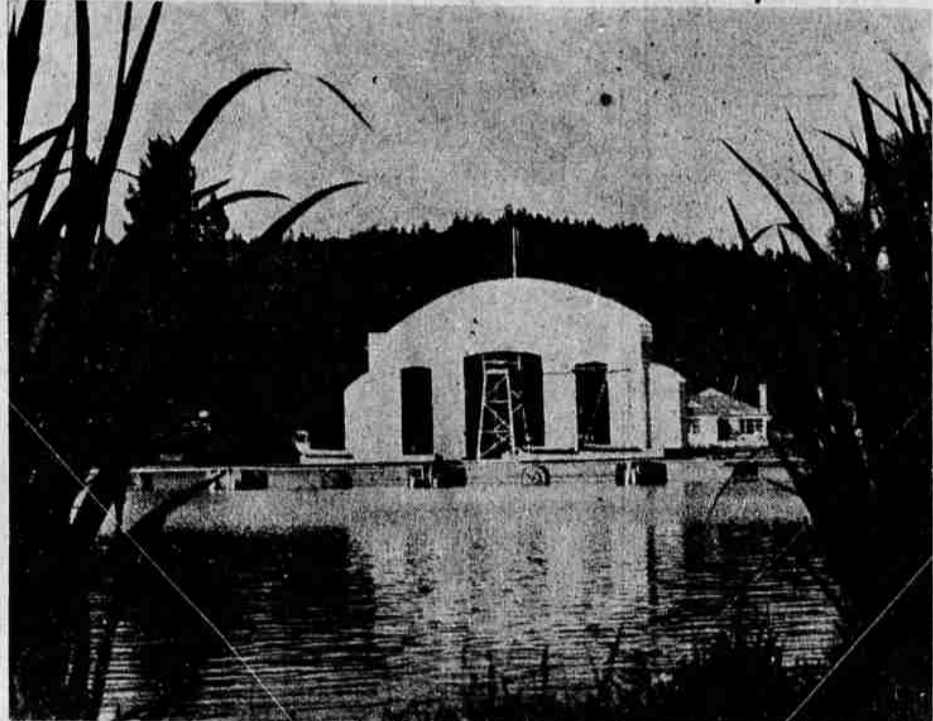
The Nebraska party has been traveling about the state of Oregon for the past few weeks. They have made trips to the coast and through the Columbia river gorge. Both places held many charms, according to the visitors.

Especially thrilled by the visit to the coast were the two girls, Janice, aged 6 years, and Geraldine, aged 8 years. It was the first time that the two girls had ever seen the ocean.

The visitors were also impressed with the scenic beauty found in central Oregon. One of the outstanding sights here, according to the Nebraskaans, is Petersen's Rock gardens. They agreed that anyone passing through the area should put the gardens on the "must see" list.

Mrs. Avery said that they will stay for the three day water pageant celebration and then leave for home about July 6.

Work on Mirror Pond Arch Nears Completion



Bend's Mirror pond arch of 1949, designed to provide a rainbow effect when its superstructure is illuminated, was nearing completion this afternoon as the pageant deadline neared. This picture was taken upstream from Drake park this morning. Floats in the foreground support a catwalk to be used by Portland Aquatic club performers in afternoon shows Saturday and Sunday. The catwalk will be removed prior to the evening pageants, on July 2 and 3.

Public Housing Bill Receives Adverse Vote

Washington, June 29 (AP)—The house voted tentatively today to kill the public housing program provided in the administration's long-range housing bill.

The teller vote was 168 to 165. This is subject to a roll call vote later.

Rep. Edward H. Rees, R., Kan., offered the motion to strike out the bill's provision for 810,000 public housing units in six years.

After an hour's hot debate in which several southern democrats supported Rees' proposal, the house voted in favor of the Rees amendment.

The public housing section is the most controversial part of the bill.

Final vote may be taken later in the day on the bill as a whole as well as another vote—a roll call this time — on the Rees amendment.

Democratic leader John W. McCormack unsuccessfully defended the public housing program. He said no community need await itself of federal aid under the program unless it wanted to do so.

The public housing program, if approved, would cost the federal government a maximum of \$308,000,000 a year for 40 years. The senate has approved this program.

Before tentatively rejecting the public housing feature of the housing bill, the house approved the administration proposal to cut it down to the senate-approved size.

The proposal, offered by Chairman Brent Spence of the house banking committee, was approved by a voice vote.

The Kentucky democrat's amendment called for a reduction in the number of public housing units provided in the long range housing bill from 1,050,000 to 810,000.

Good Weather This Week End

The United States weather bureau issued a five-day forecast today which indicates that fine weather is in the offing for Bend's Mirror pond pageant over the coming week-end. However, it is pointed out, five-day forecasts at times can go "haywire."

Normally, the weather bureau issues only 48-hour forecasts.

The five-day forecast for Oregon east of the Cascades calls for adequate sunshine through the five-day period ending July 3. There will be occasional light showers in mountain areas through Friday, the forecast states. And, the forecast, concludes: "Fair and warmer after Friday."

ASSIGNMENT MADE

Sergeant Floyd E. Norton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvie E. Norton, 225 East Kearney street, has been assigned to Regimental Headquarters company, 38th Infantry regiment, Lt. Col. Jack W. Rudolph, regimental commander, announced today. Sergeant Norton formerly was assigned to XXIV corps, Seoul, Korea. He enlisted December 3, 1945.

Hanford Plant Producing New, Deadlier Atom Bombs

Washington, June 29—Production of new and deadlier A-bombs got a big boost this week.

A \$25,000,000 plant for tooling plutonium into atomic bomb charges went into operation at Hanford, Wash., on Monday.

It is expected to be in full production by the week's end. The new plant will fabricate the explosive core of the new model bombs tested in 1948 at Eniwetok atoll in the western Pacific. It will do so—for the first time—on a production-line basis.

It is expected to step up the rate at which the A-bomb stockpile, now unofficially estimated at 200 to 300, is growing.

Chairman David E. Lilienthal of the atomic energy commission told congressional investigators on June 14 that:

"The plant is there in time to increase the stockpile." Up to this week, bomb cores were tooled only at Los Alamos, N.M., by laboratory scientists.

Little Information

Little has been revealed about the new bomb. The commission reported last January 31 that data recorded at its test showed "a substantial gain in energy release was obtained."

Just how much more powerful it is than the wartime bombs dropped on Japan the commission did not say. Unofficial published guesses have put the "substantial gain" in power at 50 per cent.

Guarded official announcements at the conclusion of the Eniwetok tests suggested that the new bomb is not only more powerful than the first ones made but also more economical in the use of costly "fissionable material."

This would mean that with the same amount of atomic explosive the Eniwetok bomb produces more blast power. That in itself would automatically step up the stockpile because it would mean (Continued on Page 3)

Judith Coplon Case Before Jury

Washington, June 29 (AP)—Judith Coplon sat quietly and her mother sobbed openly in federal court today as the former government girl's case went to the jury which will decide whether she spied for Russia.

The jury of eight men and four women got the case at 10:55 a.m. EDT, almost 10 weeks after it opened.

It will decide whether the 28-year-old Barnard college graduate stole government secrets with intent to aid Russia or was—as the defense claims—the victim of a frameup by the justice department.

Federal Judge Albert L. Reeves delivered a 25-minute charge to the jury, quietly pointing out questions of law on the two counts on which Miss Coplon was indicted.

She is liable to a maximum penalty of 13 years in prison and a \$12,000 fine if convicted on both counts.

Ten minutes after the judge completed his charge he recalled the jurors at the request of defense lawyer Archibald Palmer and slightly modified his judicial instructions. The jurors then began deliberation at 11:12 a.m. EDT.

Soviet Guards Seize Trucks Near Berlin

Cargoes Distributed in Russia Sector; Protest Made by Transport Chief

Berlin, June 29 (AP)—Russian guards seized 11 West German food and supply trucks on the edge of Berlin today and forced some of the drivers to distribute their produce in the soviet sector, American officials reported.

Charles A. Dix, U. S. transport chief in Berlin, said he was protesting to the soviet military government against the seizure of the trucks.

The seizure was described by U. S. officials as a new attempt to impede traffic between West Germany and Berlin. It followed allied protests over the failure of the Russian-controlled railway administration to resume scheduled services.

A month-long strike of 15,000 West Berlin railway workers ended yesterday. But no elevated trains in the city and no trains between Berlin and West Germany were operating.

Cleared Properly

Dix said the 11 trucks cleared the zonal border checkpoint at Helmsdorf without trouble, only to be seized on the outskirts of Berlin. They were forced to take back roads to the soviet sector of Berlin, he said, and there a number of drivers were told to distribute their supplies to the East Berliners.

Most of the trucks carried fish and other foodstuffs. One, a big trailer truck, was hauling machine parts for a power station under construction in the American sector. Whether the Russians seized the machine parts was not reported immediately.

Dix said the Russians claimed that the truck drivers' papers were not in order, but that German police checked them later and found them in order.

The railway management was charged with violating its agreement not to take reprisals against West Berlin railroad workers who went back to work yesterday.

25 Strikers Fired

Heinz Bracht, head of the union, said the soviet-controlled railway management had fired 25 strikers and told 110 others they must work in the soviet zone of Germany instead of Berlin if they want to keep their jobs.

Some 16,000 West Berlin railway workers called off their 39-day strike yesterday and reported for work after receiving a no- reprisal guarantee from the Russians and a joint east-west promise of 100 per cent of their pay in West German marks.

Bracht said he was awaiting further reports from union locals in the American, British and French zones before taking any "action."

He did not say whether the union is contemplating resuming the strike.

Neither Berlin's elevated railway nor the Berlin-Western German railway line had resumed service. The management said it still was checking tracks and other installations which it charged had been damaged by the strikers. Bracht denied any equipment had been damaged.

AFL Gives Up Taft-Hartley Law Repeal

Washington, June 29 (AP)—The AFL surrendered today in its fight to repeal the Taft-Hartley law this year and administration leaders in the senate appeared ready to follow suit.

The AFL threw in the towel as the senate agreed to start voting at 2 p.m. EDT tomorrow on the pay-off round. This will decide whether more basic features of the Taft-Hartley law will be written into the administration's repeal bill.

AFL president William Green said yesterday's senate vote to write Taft-Hartley injunction powers into the new bill made the measure "absolutely unacceptable" to labor.

Senate democratic leader Scott W. Lucas then predicted that President Truman will veto the bill if congress accepts the rest of the proposals sponsored by Sen. Robert A. Taft, R., O.

Consent Given

Lucas made his prediction as he asked the senate to accept his proposal to vote at 2 p.m. tomorrow on Taft's substitute for three major sections of the administration bill. The senate yesterday approved Taft's substitute for a fourth section when it approved continued use of the injunction as a weapon against national emergency strikes.

Sen. Irving M. Ives, R., N.Y., grumbled about Lucas' proposal but did not object. Unanimous consent was required and given.

It was yesterday's vote on the injunction that prompted the AFL to call it quits for this year.

Salt Lake City Has Bad Fire

Salt Lake City, June 29 (AP)—Clouds of odorless smoke billowed today from the ruins of a huge cold storage plant destroyed by fire with a property loss of almost \$2,000,000.

Flames still ate through tons of poultry and candy that had been stored in the plant.

At least 20 firemen, including five officers, were injured slightly or overcome by the thick smoke rolling through the big building. All were released after first aid treatment.

Damage to the plant, owned by the Utah Ice and Storage company, was estimated by President Albert Hahn at more than \$1,750,000, said Superintendent N. F. Hecker said the estimate "probably will have to be revised upward."

The fire broke out late yesterday near a room containing 500,000 pounds of candy. Flames crept through the three-story, half-block-long plant, seldom breaking into the open but causing tremendous volumes of smoke.

Cause of the fire was not determined. (Continued on Page 3)

Britain, Facing Economic Crisis, Calls on Dominions

By C. T. Hallinan (United Press Staff Correspondent)

London, June 29 (AP)—Britain, facing a major economic crisis and badgered by its Marshall plan neighbors, is looking to its dominions today for help and support.

The labor government has invited finance ministers of the commonwealth countries to an emergency meeting in London within two weeks to discuss means of stemming the drain on the sterling area's gold and dollar reserves.

Britain and other sterling area countries have been forced to dip with increasing frequency into their reserves to make up the difference between the income from their exports and the bills for their imports.

The drain on the reserves has been increasing alarmingly in the last few months despite help from Marshall plan funds.

May Be Alarming

Just how fast the reserves have been dwindling will be disclosed when the next figures are published early next month. Financial quarters believed the figures might be alarming enough to set off a panic.

Britain acts as banker for the whole sterling area, and any British collapse would bring financial disaster to many commonwealth countries.

Chancellor of the exchequer Sir Stafford Cripps, already nicknamed "Old Austerity" for the drastic economies he has imposed on Britain, is expected to present to his commonwealth colleagues a plan for further reducing British imports to save dollars.

The need to reduce imports further may force the labor government to call a general elec-

Queen's Coronation Scheduled Tonight At Elkhorn Lodge

Opening event of Bend's 1949 Mirror pond pageant will be held tonight, with the designation and coronation of a queen for the three-day fete, arranged for the Fourth of July holidays. The coronation will take place at an invitation dance at Elkhorn lodge. The dance will start at 9 p.m., with the coronation set for shortly after 10 p.m., Don Connor, dance chairman, has announced.

The coronation is to be the most colorful affair of its kind ever held in connection with the local river fete, Connor said in outlining plans for tonight's party. The coronation will be held in the spacious ballroom of the Elkhorn lodge, at the site of former Camp Abbot south of Bend. A throne has been erected on the stage.

Will Announce Winner

At the start of the ceremonies, the six girls who are candidates for queen will descend the winding stairs from the ballroom balcony. At the foot of the spiral stairs, they will be met by six senior members of the water pageant association and escorted across the hall to the stage. On the stage, the girls will be lined up, and Charles Clark, queen chairman, will "tap" the winner of the ticket sales contest. Not until then will the girls know which of their number is to reign over the 11th annual Mirror pond pageant as queen.

The coronation ball is also to be featured by a floor show, Connor has announced. Food will also be served. Persons who have not received invitations by mail may get them at the chamber of commerce office.

Queen candidates who will be presented at the coronation ball are Marilyn Bishop, Joan Tilden, Lila Bacon, Charleen Dahlin, Patt Blakely and Ella Sterling. Court jester for the queen at the coronation festivities will be Stanley Crawford. The queen's guard will be members of the Lady Elks' drill team, dressed in white.

Throne of Velvet

Following her designation, the pageant queen will be seated on a velvet throne.

Following the coronation, the next public appearance of the queen and her princesses will be Saturday night, when the rainbow arch, now nearing completion, bursts into aerial lights and the swan and cygnet float majestically moves into the Deschutes river. The pageant queen will ride a huge make-believe swan downstream and her princesses will be on cygnets. About midstream, queen and princesses will mount a river throne, the point from which they will review the gay fete.

Tonight's coronation will be slightly in advance of the three-day program, which will get under way Saturday, July 2, at 10 a.m. The Bend Junior chamber of commerce will sponsor this event, with Don Shingler as chairman. He announced today that all arrangements for the celebration (Continued on Page 3)

Central Oregon Gets Cold, Snow; 37 Above Here

Late June snow fell over the Central Oregon Cascades last night as the temperature dropped to freezing points on the mid-state plateau. Bend, however, was comparatively "warm" last night, with a minimum of 37 degrees.

To the north, the mercury dipped to 31 degrees at Redmond.

Motorists and bus operators crossing high Cascade passes last night reported that they encountered a near blizzard, with blinding snow driven by a strong wind falling along the mountain divide. At sunset last night, the McKenzie pass was enveloped in a blinding storm, motorists reported.

No Precipitation Here

Snow whitened resort areas in the eastern Cascades and Newberry crater this morning, with depths up to three inches reported. It was reported from East and Paulina lakes shortly before 9 o'clock this morning that the night fall of snow was rapidly disappearing.

Not even a trace of moisture fell in Bend as the storm raged through the night in the Cascades. A cold wind whipped over the upper Deschutes country through the night.

Weather forecasters say the weather is scheduled to warm up a bit by Thursday, and this news was welcomed by Bend's water pageant directors.

OREGON CHILLY

Portland, June 29 (AP)—Six inches of powder snow fell on the slopes of Mt. Hood last night.

It was snowing briskly early this morning, and Timberline lodge officials said sliding should be good for the next few days.

Generally, temperatures were lower throughout Oregon with frost reported in eastern Oregon.

The weather bureau said the cold air "condition, which drifted down from the Bering sea, would continue for another day, with some warming expected Thursday.

Lakeview was the coldest spot in Oregon this morning with 29 degrees recorded. Redmond recorded 31 degrees; Burns, 35; Klamath Falls, 98; La Grande, 38, and Baker, 37.

The weather bureau said the freezing temperatures were raised quickly and no serious crop damage was expected.

Cloudy weather with occasional showers was predicted by the weather bureau for today and Thursday.

Shanghai Hit In Bomb Raid

Shanghai, China, June 29 (AP)—Four-engineed nationalist bombers raided Shanghai today for the first time, killing or wounding at least 500 persons.

Seven or more bombs were dropped by two B-24 Liberators and possibly a third bomber which circled the city for three and a half hours. They apparently were aimed at Shanghai's big north station, but fell wide of the mark and smashed 80 houses in two slum areas.

More than 40 persons were killed and 50 wounded in one area of mid-huts a half mile north-east of the railway station. In the other district, three-quarters of a mile west of the station, more than 400 persons were killed or wounded.

A half-dozen big explosions were heard in downtown Shanghai. Communist machine-gunners and anti-aircraft crews fired on the circling raiders, but rain and clouds hampered their efforts.

It was the first raid since the nationalists began their air attacks June 10 in which Liberators have been used. Watchers said they saw at least two Liberators drop four bombs.



Pictured above is Judith Coplon, whose "spy" trial is expected to come to a conclusion today, with presentation of the case to a Washington federal court jury. She had just screamed "this case stinks to high heaven," when the photograph was taken.