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State Forecast
Oregon—Mostly cloudy to day, tonight and Sunday with occasional light rain. Warmer; mild. High both days 45 to 55. Low tonight 30 to 40.

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Flood Threat Diminishes Over Northwest

Symons, Johnson Receive Tribute For Citizenship

Myron H. Symons, one of the organizers of the Skyliners, a leader in tourist promotion, ardent sportsman and pioneer in the development of ice skating rinks in this area, last night was honored as Bend's No. 1 senior citizen at the Jaycees annual distinguished award banquet, held at the Pilot Butte inn. Sharing honors with Symons, Robert S. Johnson, Bend high school faculty member, was named as the city's first junior citizen.

Bert W. Hagen of Brooks-Scanlon, Inc., was selected as the outstanding member of the junior chamber of commerce, for his club activities in the year just past. Symons and Johnson also received their awards for activities in 1949.

Game Commission Establishes Bend Office, Announced
Establishment in Bend of an office to serve the central Oregon district, with Len Mathisen as supervisor of the area, was announced here today by representatives of the state game commission. With his wife and their two children, Sue, 6, and David, 4, Mathisen has arrived in Bend and is seeking an office location.

The office is to be opened in Bend so the state game department can better serve the area in which hunting and fishing play so prominent a part and to consolidate game and fish work. With Mathisen shifted to Bend, three game department men will be working out of here. They are Robert L. Borovicka, Paul H. Bonn, biologists and Mathisen. Mathisen's work at present will take him as far north as the Columbia river.

O.S.C. Graduate
The new district game supervisor is a graduate from Oregon State college with the class of 1939. At O.S.C. he majored in game management. Mathisen came to Bend from Reedsport, where he was stationed while engaged in the Umpqua river study. Mathisen hopes to obtain office quarters which will also hold some storage space. With Borovicka, Mathisen was "shopping" around town yesterday, hunting such quarters.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathisen have obtained a home in Bend.

County Receives Highway Cash

Distribution yesterday of \$26,977.55 to Deschutes county as its share of the 1949 final quarter apportionment of state highway funds, brought the county's 1949 receipts from this source to an all-time record total of \$91,600.63. It was reported today. Total apportionment to counties in the last quarter of the year amounted to \$1,709,798.21.

Previous high for the county was in 1947 when receipts amounted to \$80,649. This past year the return to Deschutes county was \$79,196.49.

The apportionment to counties from the state amounts to 19 per cent of state road fund receipts including motor vehicle license fees, motor carrier fees, and fines.

Final quarter distribution to Jefferson and Crook counties from this fund was \$5,355.05 and \$9,841.56, respectively.

Deschutes county yesterday also received \$141.86 as its share of a state distribution to counties of amusement device revenue. The county's total revenue from this source during 1949 amounted to \$961.74.

From the amusement device distribution made yesterday Crook county received \$74.34 and Jefferson county received \$25.17. This amusement device revenue reverts to the counties' public assistance funds.

Bend Ice Skating Meet Cancelled

Because of the sudden moderation in the weather, the Kiwanis sponsored ice skating meet arranged for Sunday afternoon has been cancelled. Wayne Hamilton, city director of recreation, announced today. The meet will be held later in the winter, if ice conditions permit.

Jaycees Honor Leading Citizens



Distinguished service awards were given men named as Bend's leading citizens at a banquet last night at the Pilot Butte Inn. At left is Bend's No. 1 senior citizen of 1949, Myron H. Symons. In center is Robert S. Johnson, No. 1 junior citizen. Bert W. Hagen, outstanding Jaycee of year and president of the group this year, is at right.

Elliott Elected Deschutes Farm Bureau President

Eugene Elliott, of Terrebonne, was named president of the Deschutes county Farm Bureau at an election that highlighted the annual meeting, held yesterday at the Redmond grange hall. He succeeds Palmer Botker in the office.

Other new officers are H. P. Eby, Terrebonne, vice-president; B. L. Fleck, Redmond, voting delegate; Delmer Davis, Tumalo, alternate delegate, and Mrs. Charles Porter, Tumalo, associated women's chairman.

The morning session, presided over by Palmer Botker, was devoted principally to the election of officers. Following a noon meal, the meeting was resumed under the direction of Jim Short, program chairman. M. A. Lynch spoke to the group, stressing the importance of farmer organization and the strength in unity.

Marshall Swearingin of Milton, executive vice-president of the state Farm Bureau, who was one of the principal speakers, gave the highlights of the work of the bureau in state and national legislation. Jay Shively, secretary of the Central Oregon Irrigation district, spoke on water rights.

Postmasters Set Convention Here

Oregon chapter No. 11 of the National Association of Postmasters of the United States will hold its 1950 convention in Bend, on June 6, 7 and 8, with headquarters to be at the Pilot Butte inn, Farley J. Elliott, Bend postmaster, announced today.

Dora Howard, postmaster at Hauser, is president of the state association, and A. F. Tiff, Redmond postmaster, is national director.

The Oregon chapter last held its convention in Bend in 1941, with R. H. Fox as host postmaster.

Plans for the Bend convention are now taking shape, according to information from Oregon officers of the group. Representatives of the national association will be present.

Andrei Vishinsky Makes Angry Denial of Acheson's Charge

By Henry Shapiro (United Press Staff Correspondent)
Moscow, Jan. 21 (UP)—Soviet foreign minister Andrei Vishinsky today accused U. S. Secretary of state Dean Acheson of "unconscionable lying" and angrily denied that Russia is annexing northern China.

Vishinsky denounced Acheson as Foreign minister Chou En-lai of the (communist) Chinese central government arrived in Moscow to join his president, Mao Tse-tung, in cementing Chinese-soviet friendship under the new Chinese regime.

Acheson's speech before the Washington Press club contained "not one word of truth," Vishinsky said. Acheson charged that the soviet union already has annexed outer Mongolia and is adding Manchuria, Inner Mongolia and Sianking province.

Vishinsky replied in a statement given to foreign correspondents by Yurdi Frantsev, chief of the foreign ministry's press department.

He said Acheson's charge was "so absurd and monstrous that we first doubted its genuineness."

"He (Acheson) said all those absurdities in order to put a decent face to a bad game, to blame soviet foreign policy and at the same time to place on the USSR the fault for the collapse of his own foreign policy.

Central Oregon Irrigated Land Very Productive, Shown By U.S. Reclamation Report

Three central Oregon irrigation projects, North Unit, C.O.I. and Arnold, in 1949 produced crops valued at \$10,530,565, it was announced today from the United States bureau of reclamation office in Boise, Ida.

The new North Unit project of Jefferson county, still in its pioneer stage, yielded a gross return of \$4,944,685, with 41,767 of an ultimate 50,000 acres in cultivation in the 1949 growing season. The gross per-acre return was \$118.39. Prior to the initial delivery of water in May, 1946, the Jefferson land was dry farmed, and periodically suffered from drought.

This past season, potatoes, clover and alfalfa flourished in irrigated basins where waving fields of wheat once thrived, in seasons of sufficient precipitation.

Clover Major Crop
Water for the Madras lands is stored in the upper Deschutes basin, in Wickiup reservoir. Nearly a third of the North Unit cultivated area was planted to the production of seed in the 1949 season, the crop census reveals. Clover was the principal crop. Gross returns from seed crops averaged \$180.24 per acre. The acreages and gross per-acre returns from seed production included:

Alfalfa, 218 acres, \$110.10; ladino clover, 6,831 acres, \$283.68; red clover, 2,637, \$72.89; and alsike clover, 1,505 acres, \$69.46. Seed growers on the North Unit have won national and international recognition for the quality of the seed grown.

Among the highest per-acre returns on the North Unit project was that from land that produced potatoes. The 2,668 acres planted to this crop grossed \$460.31 per acre. Other large acreages included alfalfa hay, 5,131 acres, and cereals, 15,733 acres.

Big Sum Grossed
The older Central Oregon Irrigation district, with approximately the same acreage, 42,531, under cultivation in the season, returned a higher average and total yield than did the new North Unit lands, the figures from Boise reveal. Farmers in the C.O.I. district grossed \$5,355,880, or \$125.92 per acre.

The Arnold Irrigation district, near Bend, reported 3,225 acres under cultivation and recorded a gross return of \$230,274, or \$71.39 per acre.

All districts reported a good growing season. Some potato loss was suffered at harvest time, due to freezing weather. The loss on the North Unit project was quite heavy, reports indicated.

Next season, it is expected that practically all of the 50,000 acre North Unit project will be under cultivation.

Another Robbery Suspect Freed

Boston, Jan. 21 (UP)—Police released one employee of Brink's, Inc., today but continued to hold a second one after hours of questioning about last Tuesday's \$1,500,000 holdup of the firm.

Herman E. Pfaff, 54, of Cambridge, was taken from his home by police at 2 a. m. today, a few hours after he had picked up William L. Manter, 49, of Waltham, also for questioning.

Police released Pfaff in mid-morning, giving him a ride to the company office where he went to his desk and refused to comment on the questioning.

Relays of investigators had questioned the two employees, together and separately, for several hours.

Neither Pfaff nor Manter was taken to the police lineup where 13 other suspects appeared this morning.

Range Buzzer
Manter, a Brink's employe for 22 years, had been transferred from guard duty the night before the holdup to a job as attendant in the garage. During the robbery he rang a buzzer for admittance to the vault gate, but left when he got no response.

Manter wore a blue pea-jacket when taken into custody. After a thorough search of his automobile, police removed a cap and a roll of tape. A detective said the tape was automobile tape, not adhesive tape, and that the cap was a Brink's cap.

The masked bandits who staged the robbery wore pea jackets and chauffeur's caps. They stuck adhesive tape on the mouths of the five employes before they scooped \$1,000,000 in bills and \$500,000 in checks into sacks and fled.

Last of Cold Air Dissipated By Chinook

The threat of flood to the weather-wracked Pacific Northwest abated Saturday as the region, warmed by mild Pacific breezes and light showers, shook off the last of a week-long chain of storms.

The Seattle river forecaster said the runoff of thawing snow would continue, "but all in all, it appears now that we'll come out of it nicely."

The only immediate threat to the northwest appeared to be snow and landslides. But all Cascade passes except Stevens were opened Saturday in Washington state after rain-loosened snow banks choked highways and railroad tracks.

Bus, railroad and airline officials said schedules would be "on-time" again by Saturday afternoon or night.

Most arterials were clear in Washington and Oregon Saturday. County lanes and secondary roads began to appear through the fast-melting snow.

Damage Tremendous
The series of storms caused untold millions of dollars in damage to boats, dock installations, bridges, roads, communications, structures and power lines.

Since the opening blizzard of Jan. 13, at least 40 persons died. Several froze to death, others died on storm-whipped highways.

The rain and snow-fed Chehalis river which threatened to spill into lowlands of southwestern Washington was leveling off Saturday morning.

All other streams in Washington state—far below normal because of the cold wave—were rising slowly but no danger of flood was seen. Minor flooding in the Fircrest district of Tacoma forced evacuation of five families Friday night.

The only serious flooding in Oregon was near Tillamook where the Kilchis river washed 18 inches deep over U.S. highway 101.

However, in storm-smitten British Columbia, authorities were still concerned about floods. The ice-jammed Fraser river, swollen by melting snow and rain, continued to rise.

Passes Opened
Still in the loosening grip of a "silver thaw" were northern sections east of the Cascade mountains. However, the weather bureau said the last of the cold air would be washed out this week end.

Snoqualmie pass was opened shortly after 2 o'clock Saturday morning to one-way traffic west of the summit and to two-way traffic east. One Milwaukee railroad passenger train from Chicago finally arrived in Seattle Saturday morning—37 hours late.

Curb-drip rivulets rapidly reduced waist-high banks of snow along Seattle city streets.

The sudden thaw brought a messy aftermath to the storm season. (Continued on Page 5)

Chamber Against Liquidation Sale

A letter of opposition to the sale of Pacific Power & Light company common stock, "any group that might be purchasing same for purely speculative purposes or whose intentions might be the liquidation of the company," yesterday was endorsed by the Bend chamber of commerce board of directors and sent to the U.S. securities exchange commission, which Monday is to hold a hearing on the proposed sale.

It will be recalled that the chamber this past week passed a resolution opposing the sale of the stock to eastern and midwestern interests, including: John Nuneven & Co., C. C. Allyn and Company, Inc., American Securities corporation, C. S. Mott and Guy C. Myers.

It is stated in the letter that "careful study and research of this proposed sale does not indicate to us that it is predicated for the welfare of the taxpayer, and consumers of electricity in the state of Oregon."

Pioneers Plan Annual Meeting On February 18

Deschutes pioneers will hold their annual meeting on February 18, at the Pine Forest Grange hall near the south city limits of Bend. E. A. Smith, president of the group, announced today. Last year, the association held its meeting in January, but the date was changed to February this year because of wintry weather conditions.

A highlight of the meeting this year will be a potluck dinner, with arrangements being made to accommodate more than 300 persons. Election of officers will follow, then will come the social part of the evening.

Last year, a prize waltz was featured, with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Tetherow, Redmond, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Stout as the finalists.

Tentative plans for this year's social part of the pioneers' program call for a square dance, with an old-time caller on the job. Organized several years ago, the Deschutes Pioneers' association is now one of the largest of its kind in the area.

Wanna Buy Some Cheap Potatoes? They Can be Had
Washington, Jan. 21 (UP)—For one cent the government will sell you a brand new burlap sack worth 47 cents.

There's practically no limit on the number you can buy—hundreds, thousands, millions. But there's a catch to it.

You also have to take the 100 pounds of potatoes in the bag. They're free, but you can't eat the potatoes or let anybody else in the country eat them. If you do, the government will charge you \$3 per bag.

And don't try to throw them away either. If you do, the government's charge is \$1 per bag. You have to export the potatoes and you can't ship them to Canada, Cuba or the Caribbean.

Suppose you decide to send them to Europe. That's when your trouble begins. It costs about 30 cents per bag to ship the potatoes to port from country shipping points up in Maine, where most of the potatoes are stored.

Then it costs another \$150 to get them across the ocean. If you can find a European buyer who'll pay \$1.81 per bag, which officials say is doubtful, you'll break even.

Not so Uncle Sam. He loses \$2.09 on every 100-pound bag you buy. The one-cent export deal is part of the government's program to get rid of—at any cost—surplus potatoes farmers have produced under the price support. Officials doubt it will help dispose of many of them.

Hospital Ground Breaking Given Consideration

Hospital Founders' organization members holding a special meeting this afternoon were considering tentative plans for a ground breaking ceremony marking the start of work on the St. Charles memorial hospital. A definite date, it was indicated, cannot yet be set, but may be announced in the next few days.

Paul W. Wise of the firm of J. W. Wise & Son, Boise, Ida., contractors who will erect the hospital, has announced that work will start on the foundation just as soon as snow disappears from the ground. He will notify the founders three days in advance of the starting date.

There is a possibility that the breaking of ground can be set for a Saturday—possibly next Saturday, if the present weather conditions continue.

Officers of the Hospital Founders' organization met yesterday and called a meeting of directors for this afternoon, to consider plans for the ceremony. Joseph G. Mack, the organization's representative on the Central Oregon Hospitals foundation, is in charge of preliminary arrangements.

FAIR EXCHANGE?

Frankfurt, Germany, Jan. 21 (UP)—Radio Peiping announced today that an exchange rate of one U. S. dollar to 25,000 dollars in "peoples currency" has been established by the Chinese communist government.