

Forecast

A few showers through Friday; low tonight 32-38; high Friday 55-60

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High and Low

High yesterday, 45 degrees. Low last night, 32 degrees. Sunset today, 6:56. Sunrise tomorrow, 5:11.

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Bend's Guard Joins National Surprise Alert

A surprise nation-wide alert involving an estimated 400,000 guardsmen was broadcast through Oregon shortly after 5 p.m. Wednesday and by 6:30 Bend guardsmen reported a mustered strength of 92 per cent.

Bend guardsmen quickly swung into action, and within half an hour of the alert walking patrols were on duty at the municipal water tanks, the power plant and the radio tower.

Teen-Agers Had Planned Own Nation

LOS ANGELES (UP) — Police today held four teen-aged boys for questioning on their elaborate plans to seize the Navy-owned offshore island of San Miguel and "set up their own nation."

The youths, missing from their homes in nearby Venice since Tuesday, were picked up by a police officer after their car stalled. In the trunk of the car, officers found a small arsenal including two shotguns, two .22 rifles, a machine gun, two sticks of dynamite, knives and bayonets.

When police told them the rocky island of San Miguel was used as a Navy target range and asked what they would have done if the Navy opened fire on them, one of the youths answered, "We'd shoot back."

"Governor" Wayne Young Police identified the would-be nation founders as "governor" Wayne Young, 15, Raymond Clark, 14, Robert Burt, 13 and Jimmy Howard, 13, all of Venice.

Their method of getting to the island was not decided but their other plans were scrupulously worked out.

A long, badly spelled constitution, laid out 14 laws, which included: "There shall (sic) be no stealing of one's private property."

"There shall be no excess killing of animals on this island."

"All parties including women shall carry a gun."

"All crimes shall be punished. The defence shall have a judge and jury."

"There shall be no arguing on this island at any time."

"Every person on this island shall do his or hers share of work."

Pregnancy Not Tolerated

"No pregnancy will be tolerated on this island, except this rule may be broken by the governor."

The four youths planned to set themselves up as officers of the island with other inhabitants in a "peasant" classification. Besides a constitution, and by-laws, the youths had drawn a crude map of Southern California with caves marked to hide supplies before their invasion.

Vaccine Appeal Made by State

PORTLAND (UP) — The State Board of Health today broadcast an appeal to limit to children between one and 14 years, and pregnant women, inoculations with the Salk polio vaccine.

The appeal was made by Dr. A. O. Pitman, president of the State Medical Society, and Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer to make the limited amount of vaccine available to those who need it.

A joint letter has been sent to all the state's physicians requesting cooperation in the "rationing" program. The letter said persons within the 15-20 age group would be vaccinated by fall "if sufficient vaccine is available."

Dr. Erickson said Oregon had not yet received any vaccine shipments for school immunization clinics. Only a "very small amount" had been received for distribution through private outlets.

FAIR ENOUGH
OSCEOLA, Neb. — (UP) — Albert Ryan, president of Polk County's fair board, received a letter with 50 cents enclosed. The unidentified writer wrote, "A long time ago I gained admission to the fair without paying."



GUARDSMEN MOBILIZE — Co. 1 Guardsmen with headquarters in Bend quickly mobilized and moved to assigned posts last night when a test alert called out citizen soldiers in all parts of the United States. Top picture show members of a squad that simulated a road block on U. S. Highway 97 in the south part of Bend. Pvt. Gary L. Gentry is pictured standing at edge of highway, at left, watching oncoming cars. At right is Sgt. Dennis D. Smith, squad leader. Below, some of the "brass" check on plans, at the armory, in mid-evening. From the left they are Sgt. Robert A. Kohfield, First Lt. Jack W. Perry, Co. 1 executive officer, and Second Lt. Clifton G. Hutchins, platoon leader. (Bend Bulletin Photos)

Welfare Budget Trimming Draws Sharp Protest from Commission

Tentative cuts made by the State Welfare Commission in Deschutes county's already pruned welfare budget for the next fiscal year drew sharp protest from members of the county's welfare commission at an afternoon meeting in the county building yesterday.

The commission authorized the sending of a letter to the state body objecting to further cuts in the local budget considered "pared to the bone."

The state commission which has final authority over all county welfare expenditures tentatively trimmed \$6,500 from the budget already cut \$21,000 by local commissioners.

The local welfare commission at its March meeting authorized a budget of \$286,322. But the state group has tentatively chopped the figure to \$259,822. Miss Olive Jameson, county welfare director, reported.

Originally she proposed a budget of \$287,346, but county commissioners decided to hold the line in fiscal 1955-56 at present levels and authorized a \$21,000 reduction.

The state commission in considering the budget for Deschutes county lopped \$6,000 from the old age assistance fund, \$1,800 from the disabled persons fund, and \$700 to the aid of the blind fund.

The body, however, revised upward the amount locally budgeted for the aid to dependent children fund and added \$2,000. The local commission allowed \$11,000 for this fund.

The state commission, Miss Jameson reported, is making general cuts in welfare budgets submitted for the next fiscal period. She said the commission has approved state-wide slices of five per cent in aid to dependent children funds and two per cent in old age assistance funds.

In March the local department spent \$23,622.11 for welfare, Miss Jameson reported.

Expenditures break down as follows: General assistance, \$3,587.21; aid age assistance, \$13,549; aid to dependent children, \$4,125; aid to the blind, \$59; and aid to the disabled, \$2,342.

The month's total is about equal with that spent the previous month. The February total was \$23,462.69.

Senate Approves Colorado Project

WASHINGTON (UP) — A House sponsor of a bill to authorize the \$1.2 billion dollar Upper Colorado Project, passed by a 38 to 23 vote in the Senate late yesterday, presided today the project will get House committee approval early next month.

Rep. Wayne Aspinall (D-Colo.) said, however, the House bill may "differ in many respects from the Senate measure. He is author of one of several House bills to authorize the project and is chairman of the Interior Subcommittee handling them."

He declined to predict whether the House committee will keep controversial Echo Park Dam in the project. The Senate voted 52 to 30 to retain the dam, which conservationists have condemned as an invasion of Dinosaur National Monument.

Delay Planned In Granting TV Franchise Here

The city commission last night pledged not to grant a television franchise for 30 days and to give Bend TV Cable, Inc. first crack at exclusive rights at the end of the moratorium.

Request for consideration of a franchise for the recently incorporated group was presented the commission by Alvin J. Gray, Bend attorney.

He said the group is made up of "six to eight" local residents interested in establishing a coaxial television cable system in the community.

Two local residents most active in the new company are Fred L. Harfmann and Loy Robideaux, it was indicated at the meeting.

In a formal letter to the commission, Gray asked that Bend TV Cable, Inc. be given exclusive testing rights in the city for three months.

But Commissioner W. M. Loy who proposed the 30-day stay on the granting of a franchise urged against limiting testing preparatory to the establishment of a cable system.

To his motion for the month-long moratorium, Loy attached the provision that Bend T-V Cable, Inc. be given first hearing on an application for a franchise.

Gray, who attended the meeting in city hall, said Loy's proposal seemed satisfactory.

He said his clients sought sufficient time to complete technical surveys and testing and assurance they would "be on the ground floor" when a franchise is granted.

Loy first proposed that consideration of a franchise be delayed for a period of three months, but set the time ahead to a month when informed that the new company very likely will complete tests within that time.

Gray reported his clients were prepared to hire a technical crew within a day or two to complete testing of an antenna site.

Don Ries of Ries Radio and Record shop, who has done some of the preliminary testing for the group, told commissioners that an antenna survey could be completed in 10 days and other necessary tests in two to three weeks.

Gray in his formal letter to the commission asked for "exclusive rights" to conducting necessary tests and the authority to meet with commissioners to work out details of a franchise.

Commissioners seemed agreed with Loy that the commission should not curtail testing, but should wait the result of all testing before awarding a franchise. Loy's motion won unanimously.

Gray mentioned in his letter that "it is established" that tests and surveys will be completed in approximately 30 days.

Ries at an earlier meeting of the commission reported that strong signals from metropolitan stations have been received at several testing sites in the Bend area.

MUST DO SOMETHING
CHENOA, Ill. (UP) — Mayor-elect Theodore Hoselton told his police force today "we've got to do something about this crime in Chenoa" after his roofing firm was burglarized for the second time in four months.

TEARS EXPLAINED
DALLAS, Tex. (UP) — Mike Corbill 6, explained to his father that he didn't cry while waiting for his shot of the new Salk anti-polio vaccine.

Forum Session Set by Chamber

The story of the Midstate Soil Conservation district and the role it is playing in the betterment of Deschutes county agriculture and range lands will be told at the Friday forum meeting of the Bend Chamber of Commerce.

Kessler Cannon will present the speakers, including Rodney Rosebrook, Bend, and Theo Thorson, from the SCS office in Redmond.

The Midstate district, which placed second in a state contest last year, is seeking top recognition this year, and attendance at the luncheon Friday will count in points that already are reaching an impressive mark.

One Bend guardsman, Linus Dahlheim, showed up with a broken arm, and another, Bill Gerdes, left a sick bed. One of three guardsmen unable to report was Fred Crouch, who recently suffered a broken neck in a swimming accident at Prineville.

Out at LaPine, John Allison, CO 1 member, heard over the radio the sounding of the alert in Portland. He hopped in his car, raced toward Bend, was stopped by an officer to explain his speed, and arrived at the Bend Armory before the commanding officer.

In Sisters, Chet Bell of the U.S. Forest Service staff got the alert, rounded up the five members of the guard there and hurried to Bend.

First Lt. Jack F. Pierce, commanding officer of CO 1, declared today the mobilization locally was highly successful, considering the fact that the company's 97 per cent show up compares with a national figure of 66.7 per cent.

Soldiers in uniform stationed at road blocks at the city entrance appeared to mystify most motorists, who slacked speed and prepared to stop, only to be motioned on by the rifle-bearing men.

Locally, the guardsmen were on the job four hours. In the evening hours, company cooks reported for duty and served "hot dogs" and coffee to the patrols.

Early in the evening, after the patrols had been placed, remaining guardsmen swung through downtown Bend in company formation.

Twenty units in Oregon reported 100 per cent strength, some at the end of the first hour.

Seventy-four members of the 80 members of the Redmond unit of the national guard were alerted in last night's nation-wide drill. Members of the unit from Redmond, Madras and Prineville manned gun emplacements at the southern approaches of the city, at 6th and Evergreen and at the airport.

Gard Will Head Special Week

Statewide observance of Mental Health week in Oregon, scheduled nationally this year from May 1 to May 8 will be coordinated by a committee headed by a former Central Oregonian, Dwight E. Gard, now president of the Multnomah Bank near Portland.

County health officers are serving as local chairman, with Dr. J. H. Stewart in charge in Bend.

The state chairman of Mental Health week began his banking career in Bend where he served as an officer of the U.S. National Bank of Portland. Prior to Pearl Harbor he was commissioned into the army and was assigned to General MacArthur's staff at Manila, as finance officer. It was Gard who supervised the dumping of millions of dollars worth of U.S. and Philippine silver into Manila bay as the Japanese marched on the city.

Gard was prisoner of war from May, 1942, until his liberation in September, 1945, after surviving the sinking of two prison ships by the allies.

Liquor Policies Receive Airing At City Session

Question of approving additional liquor by the drink licenses until those pending before the State Liquor Commission are endorsed was debated by city commissioners at their regularly scheduled meeting last night in city hall.

Two licenses were presented for consideration, and commissioners finally agreed not to approve new licenses until those previously approved and sent to the liquor commission are acted upon.

The commission acted favorably on the license of Bill Mayer of the Ponderosa, who previously had presented petitions for a license to the city commission and the state body.

Turned down was an application for a by the drink license presented by John Daly of the D and D club. This marked Daly's first application try.

The commission in rejecting Daly's application said that no question was cast on his operation and that he would be given early consideration should the state board pass local applications now pending.

Other commission business:

1. Awarded bid for placing curbing and sidewalks to Duncan bid. The bid, low of four presented, was for \$7,902.29.

2. Awarded bid for excavation of street projects to Oscar Murry, who submitted a low bid of \$10,047.20.

3. Delayed for second reading a proposed ordinance prohibiting construction of outhouses until several technical details can be worked out.

4. Instructed City Manager Walter T. Thompson to contact the Deschutes County Advertising committee for an itemization of expenses preliminary to granting \$500 budgeted for the group.

5. Authorizing reimbursing the local E.R. club with \$1,000 for lights on the ball field.

6. Designated the city manager as enforcement officer of city planning.

7. Set public hearing for May 18 on a petition rezoning the four corners of the intersection of Albany and Columbia from residential to neighborhood commercial.

8. Authorized city crews to demolish a shack on the property of G. L. Eckman in Lytle acres. Eckman granted permission for the destruction of the building.

Post of Editor Given Bend Girl

A Bend girl, Shirley W. Schultz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fredman Schultz, has been named editor of the Beaver, Oregon State college yearbook, for 1956.

Miss Schultz is a junior in education at OSC. She was named for the editor post by the college publication committee, Fred M. Shideler, head of the OSC journalism department, reported.

The Bend girl is a member of Delta Delta Delta social sorority. She held an upper staff position on the yearbook this year.

Coon Introduces Bill to Construct John Day Dam

WASHINGTON (UP) — Rep. Sam Coon (R-Ore.) said he is introducing a bill today for construction of John Day dam on the Columbia river under a plan which would have local interests pay 90 per cent of the estimated 310-million dollars cost.

The dam would be authorized for federal construction. Coon said his plan would have the Army engineers build, own and operate it. But the bill would require contributions from public or private local interests, as "prepayment for power," of about 273-million dollars.

The local interests could be state agencies, municipalities, public utility districts, rural electrification groups, or private electric companies. They would qualify for participation in the project by application to the federal power commission, which would select one or more.

Advance Sale of Power

The government would put up an estimated 37-million dollars, figured to be the benefits for flood control, navigation, and irrigation.

"In effect," Coon said, "my bill simply provides for an advance sale of power, rather than waiting until the generators are on the line before disposing of it."

He said expressions of interest by local agencies assure financial feasibility of the proposal. The Portland General Electric Co., Pacific Power & Light Co., and the city of Eugene, Ore., were said to be interested in the plan.

The local agencies would get 50-year power rights.

Differs From Gordon Bill

Coon's bill differs substantially, his office said, from one introduced last year by former Sen. Guy Gordon (R-Ore.). Gordon's bill would have had local interests pay only for power features of the project, estimated at about 30 per cent of the total cost.

Meanwhile, Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) announced he is pressing for an increase in planning funds for the dam. He said \$500,000 has been budgeted for fiscal 1956 and he is urging that the fund be tripled.

He pointed out that it will take about six years to get initial power production from the dam after construction is started and eight to nine years to get full production of 1,165,000 kilowatts. The Pacific Northwest meanwhile is increasing its power consumption by some 600,000 kilowatts a year, he said.

Thomas W. Delzell, PGE board chairman; Paul B. McKee, president of the Pacific Power & Light Co., and Kinsey M. Robinson, president of the Washington Power Co., today issued a joint statement relative to the proposed dam.

"The proposed legislation offers a sensible and practical method of getting the John Day project built quickly in conformance with the comprehensive Columbia River development plan of the Corps of Engineers to help meet urgent power needs of the Pacific Northwest and improve navigation."

"We are very much interested in seeing the John Day project built promptly because it means more power for the region and will help meet the needs of the 600,000 customers who look to us for their electric service requirements."

"There is every reason to believe that the \$273,000,000 needed for construction of the power facilities at John Day can be supplied to the government by power distributors of the area if Congress will act to make this possible. Since the power investment represents nearly 90 per cent of the total estimated cost of the project, the proposed plan of financing would assure a rapid and efficient construction program."

"It is definitely understood that participation in the plan is open to any electric system, public or private, that is ready and willing to advance funds to help get the project built. Each participant would share proportionately in the power produced at the dam."

"If necessary, the companies we represent are willing to undertake to put up the full \$273,000,000 needed for the power development. It should be made clear, however, that the amount of power we may obtain would depend entirely upon the volume of applications made to the Federal Power Commission by other responsible utilities seeking to participate in the program."

"The dam's generators would be tied in with the Northwest Power Pool and operation of the project would be fully integrated with other river developments of the region."

"The project would be built, owned and operated by the government and would remain the property of the government when the money advanced by local interests had been repaid by power deliveries to the financial participants."

Guilty Plea Is Entered By Chambers

Jack E. Chambers, 31, was taken into circuit court late yesterday afternoon where he pleaded guilty to a charge of embezzling funds of Local 6-7 of the International Woodworkers of America.

Chambers, who surrendered himself to Bend police early yesterday morning, waived preliminary hearing in justice court, appearance before the grand jury and the right to counsel before entering his plea before Judge Ralph S. Hamilton.

Hamilton deferred sentence and ordered District Attorney George F. Rakestraw and local probation authorities to prepare a presentencing report on Chambers.

Chambers walked into local police headquarters shortly before 5 a.m. yesterday and announced, "I guess you're looking for me."

Taken before Justice of the Peace O. W. Grubb later in the morning he waived preliminary hearing. And when conferring with the district attorney he indicated he would waive indictment and said he preferred to be brought into circuit court as quickly as possible.

The afternoon hearing in circuit court was brief. In five minutes the proceeding was completed and Chambers escorted back to his county jail cell where he is being held in lieu of \$10,000 bond.

Judge Hamilton outlined Chambers' legal rights and asked if he wanted to consult an attorney. Chambers answered no.

Chambers also waived right to consider a plea for two days, saying he'd prefer to enter a plea immediately.

The information filed by Rakestraw against Chambers charges the former union official of embezzling \$7,288.43 from the coffers of Local 6-7 over a period of almost a year and a half.

The information charged Chambers with pilfering the union treasury from Nov. 1, 1953 through March of this year.

Chambers' answers during the brief hearing in circuit court were held by and large to "yes" or "no" replies to the judge's questions.

Judge Ralph S. Hamilton asked for a complete report on Chambers' background and indicated that preparation of such a report may take a week or two.

figures to amortize its investment on street lights over 20 years

The fee set up in the budget for street lighting would be repaid through the 20 years, English said.

Some question was raised by commissioners on the cost of the program. Commissioner Vernon W. Larson suggested that possibly it would be cheaper for the city if it installed and maintained its own light fixtures.

Thompson said he didn't think such a program would result in a saving for the city and indicated he believed such a city launched program would be contrary to federal power regulations.

Thompson said the power company has proposed installing steel standards along Greenwood from Bond to the underpass at an estimated annual maintenance cost of \$1170.

For Franklin, the company proposed two plans, Thompson reported. The first calls for steel poles to the underpass for an annual fee of \$1584. The alternate, for wooden poles at the corners and at mid-block between Bond and Hill streets for \$720.

The commission authorized budgeting the total of the Greenwood plan and the most expensive proposal for Franklin, but specified adoption of the alternate scheme for Franklin.

The more than \$800 saving made by installing the less expensive wooden poles along Franklin could finance the installation of lighting in residential neighborhoods, the commission figured.

During discussion of lighting plans, it was pointed out that the cheaper of the proposals for Franklin would mean less lighting for the street. But commissioners seemed agreed that immediate steps should be taken to find funds for lighting on several streets now without.

City Attorney Harry A. English advised that the power company

Lighting Improvements Favored