

FAIR AND continued warm to night and Sunday. Lowest temperature expected tonight, 50 degrees; highest Sunday, 90.

Maximum yesterday, 81; minimum today, 52. Total 24-hour precipitation, 0.1 for month, 0.1 normal, .20. Season rain-fall, 41.61; season normal, 37.15.

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Revision of Tax Schedules for Trucks Sought

Interim Group Strives At Equalization Of Classifications

An effort to adopt a tax schedule to equalize rates paid by various classifications of trucks in Oregon will be the first task of the legislative highway interim committee, it was decided Saturday. The committee will make its report to the 1951 legislature.

The committee, at its first meeting, named Rep. Ralph T. Moore of Coos county chairman and Sen. Paul L. Patterson, secretary.

It was the consensus of opinion among members of the committee that the schedule of fees adopted by the 1949 legislature allowed some truck classifications to escape without its full share of taxation.

Not Evenly Divided

"I believe that the policy adopted in Oregon whereby the commercial vehicles are required to contribute 33 1/3 of the total motor revenue to the state is fair and yet it is my opinion that the rates adopted by the last legislature were not evenly divided among the various classifications of vehicles," said Chairman Moore. "And this despite the long hours spent by both house and senate committees studying the problem."

Senator Patterson announced that he had obtained a digest of motor carrier rates and laws of all states that when brought down to date would prove of inestimable value to the committee members. The digest now contains information up to December 30, 1948.

New Information

Much information that the 1947-48 highway interim committee was desirous of obtaining in its year and half study, but was unable to obtain, is contained in the digest offered by Sen. Patterson.

The committee plans to meet once a month, beginning with meetings in Salem and later probably holding meetings at various points and cities in the state, as was done by the former committee.

The complete membership of the committee was present at the first meeting Saturday. In addition to Moore and Patterson, the committee members are: Senators Elmo Smith and Jack Bain and Reps. Max Langford, Vernon Wilson and Edward A. Geary.

Steel Strike May Start in Week

Pittsburgh, July 9 (AP)—A nationwide steel strike may begin one week from today although one segment of the industry is ready to go along partially on the CIO union Steelworkers' demands for a pension.

Inland Steel Corp. of Chicago, which employs about 16,000, opened the door on the pension issue last night. The steelworkers promptly closed it.

Philip Murray, president of both the CIO and the steelworkers, didn't comment on Inland's offer. However, another union spokesman said the proposal was "inadequate" and declared it will be rejected Monday.

Murray is believed willing to go down the line on his demand for pensions for the men who make steel. He hasn't said what amount he desires but the spokesman who termed Inland's offer inadequate said the union wants \$150 monthly pensions.

Murray has maintained his usual tight-lipped silence on just how much of a wage increase he wants. His men have received three wage boosts since the end of World War II and now average \$1.65 hourly.

The union's contract talks have been tied in knots by big steel's flat refusal to discuss the pension issue.

Flying Saucer Fans Call Convention

Alexandria, La., July 9 (AP)—Have you seen a flying saucer? If so, you are invited to a convention.

The young men's business club announced yesterday it is planning a convention for persons all over the nation who have seen the discs. It'll give them a chance to compare notes.

Scientists, science writers, and government investigators also are to be invited.

Offers to Pay For Privilege of Killing Negro

Dallas Lawyer's Threat Aftermath of Auto Accident

Dallas, Texas, July 9 (AP)—A Dallas lawyer offered to pay a Negro's peace bond for the privilege of killing him.

He was ordered jailed—but quickly released—by County Criminal Judge Joe E. Brown. Judge Brown had said, earlier in the case, that if he had been in the lawyer's shoes during a June 21 argument with the Negro, he would have killed the Negro.

It happened during yesterday's habeas corpus hearing for Ozzie B. Watson, 31, Dallas Negro. Watson had been jailed on charges of threatening to kill attorney Noah Roark and assault Mrs. Roark in an argument following a June 21 traffic accident. He was placed under \$25,000 peace bond.

Tells of Negro's Threat "If you want Watson to live, you'd better keep him in jail," Roark told Judge Brown during yesterday's hearing. "I'm going to kill him if I ever get the chance. As a matter of fact, I'll post his bond for the pleasure of doing it."

Watson's attorney, Joe Great-house of Fort Worth, turned to Judge Brown:

"You heard that threat. Under the law it's your duty to place Mr. Roark under peace bond."

Judge Brown told Chief Deputy Sheriff Millard Sweatt to jail Roark. To Roark he said:

"I'm sorry, Noah—but this is the way it's got to be."

Roark told the judge not to feel bad about it and added:

"That's O.K., Joe, I can put up the bond in cash up to \$25,000."

Judge Brown first said he would put Roark under \$25,000 peace bond and then decided (Continued on Page 5, Column 8)

Dulles for Cut In Rearming

Washington, July 9 (AP)—Senator Dulles (R-N.Y.) today called the administration's proposed \$1,130,000,000 program to rearm western Europe "too big."

Sworn in yesterday as a successor to democratic Senator Robert F. Wagner, Dulles told reporters he intends to speak next week in behalf of the North Atlantic security treaty, which he helped draft.

He said he also will support the proposal—expected to be sent to congress as soon as the senate completes action on the treaty next week—to help pact signers rebuild military defenses.

But the new senator said he doesn't now believe that any \$1,130,000,000 outlay, proposed for the first year, ought to be involved.

"The effect of the program is largely psychological," he said. "We cannot build up armies in Europe in less than five years that would stop a determined aggressor. But we need to help strengthen some defenses in strategic places."

Million Dollar Train Trip Makes Travel Delightful

Newspapermen and radio announcers from Salem, Portland, and many Willamette valley points were oblivious to the heat Friday as they enjoyed a cool, silent, bumpless journey from Salem to Portland on the Southern Pacific's new Shasta Daylight streamliner.

It was the last leg of a "press run" originating in San Francisco and carrying newspapermen for short trips in every section of the 718 miles of the Portland-San Francisco scenic route. The "million dollar train" as the railroad officials term it, will begin daily operation Sunday on a 15 1/2 hour schedule between Portland and the bay area.

Thousands of Salem residents viewed the train between noon and 4 p.m. Friday. A Salem delegation headed by Mayor Robert L. Elfstrom and Walter Musgrave of West Salem boarded the train at Albany and rode to Salem.

All of the guests on the Salem-Portland run were agreed that the trip was the "most comfortable train journey any of them had experienced."

Between Salem and Oregon City the train demonstrated the speed which the 6000 horsepower



Community Furnishes Home for This Displaced Family—Ardo Tarem and family, Estonians re-established in Salem through YMCA effort, are happy about their new home at 96 Lansing avenue. Mr. Tarem, for 29 years in Estonian YMCA service is also an accomplished linguist. Top, right: Mrs. Carl Greider instructs Mr. Tarem in use of an electric stove contributed by a Salem dealer. Lower, right: The washing machine, also donated by a local merchant, is demonstrated by Mrs. Marvin E. Moore. Closely observing are Mr. Tarem and daughters Anna, Astride and Eevi.

Tarem Family Happy in Lansing Avenue Home

Salem's growing group of displaced persons from Central Europe was increased Friday when the Estonian family of Ardo Tarem arrived here, and discovered with delight and surprise that the YMCA had provided them a home at 96 Lansing avenue, furnished to the minutest detail.

Mr. Tarem, a linguist fluent in German, Russian, Estonian and English, received his masters degree from Springfield college as a foreign student and has been in Estonian YMCA services during the past 29 years. He was accompanied to the United States by his wife, Lenora, and daughters Astrid, 19; Eevi, 15, and Anna 13. His arrival in this country was largely accomplished by the Salem YMCA and its officials, Marvin E. (Gus) Moore and Carl Greider.

Finding and establishing a Salem home for this displaced family was the cooperative effort of many local civic and religious groups. Location of a home and partial subsidy of rentals was a contribution of the Salem Realty board.

Bedding, furniture and utensils were contributed by the Salvation Army, Red Cross, Soroptimists, YMCA, Christian church and the Salem Woman's club. Ralph Johnson donated a washing machine, Doug Yeater an electric stove and Elfstroms a refrigerator. Besides gifts from individuals other donations came from Harry Scott, Y's Men's club, Salem Box factory, Memorial hospital and the Chamber of Commerce. Green groceries for immediate usage were contributed by Bergs.

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Consul Freed By Chinese Reds

Shanghai, July 9 (AP)—U. S. Vice Consul William B. Olive was released from jail by the communists today. The Red press said he "admitted his offenses" and had apologized to police after being "educated."

Immediately after his release, Olive went into a closed conference with Consul General John Cabot. Cabot would not permit Olive to comment on his three days in jail after being arrested in a minor traffic incident.

Comment from Olive "might endanger him," Cabot said. Before Olive's release, communist newspaper came out quoting this as Olive's apology:

"I am willing to tender my apologies to police whom I have insulted. I am willing to pay for all repairs and damages. I promise not to commit the same offenses and obey all laws and regulations of the peoples (communists) government."

Cabot would not say whether Olive had been injured by the police. The consulate said Thursday he was beaten and seriously injured.

Olive was able to leave the jail without aid and he seemed to bear no marks of violence.

Hot Weather Stifles East

(By the Associated Press) July's hot and sticky weather clung to many parts of the nation today—with no immediate relief from the high temperatures and humidity of more than a week.

Instead, forecasters said a general heat wave is expected to envelop the country after the week-end.

Drought conditions in the northeastern states appeared more serious. There were no signs of heavy rains to help the parched crops. In southern New England, New York and New Jersey crops have suffered millions of dollars damage after seven weeks of rainless weather.



Police Exams Passed by Seven

The names of seven successful candidates for employment in the Salem police department, including four men currently members of the force, were released Saturday by Chief Clyde A. Warren.

The announcement of the successful applicants followed a meeting of the civil service commission Friday afternoon at which records of the men were studied.

Harvey Tautfest, presently juvenile officer on the force, was at the top of the list of those who were approved by the commission. Others, currently members of the police department, were David Bain and L. D. DeKett. Ben Bello, a radio department technician, also passed the examination.

Three new names—Robert Tindell, Eugene Grunwald and Ronald Wiebe—were added to the list of eligibles by the commission action Friday.

The names of one other man who successfully passed the examination and was approved after a check of police records was withheld pending a medical check.

At the present time, two vacancies exist within the ranks of Salem patrolmen, and the results of the present examination meet the immediate need of the department. A new examination, however, is expected to be scheduled in the near future to meet with a plan to expand the department by 10 patrolmen and a captain.

According to those plans, the present roster of eligibles would be emptied, leaving the police department from 9 to 11 men short.

To Investigate Hiss Trial Judge

Washington, July 9 (AP)—A house spy hunter today called for a congressional investigation of Federal Judge Samuel H. Kaufman, who presided over the Alger Hiss perjury trial.

Rep. Richard M. Nixon, (R-Calif.), a member of the house un-American activities committee, said that during the trial Kaufman's "prejudice for the defense and against the prosecution was so obvious and apparent that the jury's eight to four vote for conviction came frankly as a surprise to me."

"When the full facts of the conduct of this trial are laid before the nation," he said, "I believe the people will be shocked."

Nixon indicated that he believed the inquiry into Kaufman's "fitness . . . to serve on the bench" should be conducted by his house committee, which made an all-out investigation of Whittaker Chambers' charges against Hiss last summer.

Ten Days Jail for Taking a Bath

Salem police records indicated Saturday that a man had been arrested for taking a bath.

But from the report, it was obvious that police didn't object to the idea of a bath, it was just the time and place. After police received information concerning a nude bather taking an afternoon dip in the mill race near Cottage and Mill streets, they found Fred Davis, Fall River, Wis. dressing.

He was sentenced to 10 days on a vagrancy charge.

ASSIGN SALEM BRIDGE \$1,250,000 U. S. FUNDS

Hiss Faces New Trial After Jury Deadlocks, 8 to 4

New York, July 9 (AP)—The perjury trial of Alger Hiss ended in a hung jury last night, and the government promptly ordered a new trial.

The jury, split eight to four in favor of a conviction, was dismissed at 8:01 p.m. after nearly 29 hours of fruitless effort to reach an agreement.

Shortly thereafter, Attorney General Tom Clark announced in Washington:

"The department of justice will vigorously prosecute the Hiss case again as quickly as the docket of the court will permit."

At the earliest, that probably would not be before next autumn.

Murphy to Prosecute A justice department spokesman here said that big, musty, (?) ed Thomas F. Murphy, the assistant U. S. attorney who handled the prosecution will have the same job again when the case is retried.

Hiss was continued in \$5,000 bail. Failure of the jury to reach a verdict left still in doubt the role—if any—that Hiss had played in an alleged prewar betrayal of his country.

Jurors said that almost from the outset, they had been deadlocked eight to four for conviction of the brilliant, 44-year-old Harvard graduate whom the state department sent to Dumbar Oaks, Yalta and the San Francisco conference where the United Nations was founded.

Federal Judge Samuel H. Kaufman, wearily and with reluctance, finally admitted the hopeless split and sent the jury home.

On two earlier occasions the small, thin-voiced jurist had sent the jury back to its chambers for another attempt at agreement.

The final deadlock left the lanky, handsome Hiss exactly where he was last December when a New York grand jury indicted him on two counts of perjury.

Hiss' gray-haired, stocky defense chief, Lloyd Paul Stryker, indicated he may try anew for a dismissal of the charges. The trial court refused to quash them.

His face haggard, Hiss managed a weak smile as the jury was dismissed but politely and firmly he declined comment.

Hirohito Makes Call

Tokyo, July 9 (AP)—Emperor Hirohito made a courtesy call on General MacArthur today at the United States embassy. As usual, the subject of their conversation was not disclosed.

Kiss for Madame Minister

Mrs. Perle Mesta, right, new minister to Luxembourg, gets a congratulatory kiss from former War Secretary Kenneth Royall after state department ceremony in Washington, in which Mrs. Mesta took oath.

Woman at left is Mrs. Royall. Mrs. Mesta holds her commission in container in left hand. (AP Wirephoto)

Circuit Court Work Divided As Formerly

Circuit Judge George R. Duncan and Judge Rex Kimmell, newly appointed to succeed Judge E. M. Page, will divide work of the court considerably on the basis it has been existing under Judges Duncan and Page with some slight changes under agreement reached in a conference between the jurists.

In the main Judge Duncan will handle jury and law cases while Judge Kimmell will take over the equity side also handling probate, birth certificates and some law cases as occasion demands. Juvenile work will probably fall largely onto Judge Kimmell, also, but this will be divided as the time allows.

Duncan's Position

It was definitely decided that the state cases pending involving statutory and constitutional construction such as the fish cases, public utility matters and similar suits now pending will be taken over by Judge Duncan (Concluded on Page 5, Column 6)

Hospital Drive Plans Listed

The office of the Salem Hospital Development program today announced the names of 10 commanders—five men and five women—who will have important parts in carrying forward the hospital drive for \$1,100,000.

This part of the organization will be solicitation of the general public. The public campaign is under the general chairmanship of Alfred Loucks.

Co-chairman for the men's division, previously announced, are Charles Edwards and Coburn Grabenhorst. Co-chairmen for the women's division are Mrs. Chandler Brown and Mrs. Ralph Moody.

Commanders, announced today, in the men's division are Burton Selberg, Al McMullen, Arthur Bates, Marvin Clatterback, and Harold Phillippe, and in the women's division, Mrs. Ward Davis, Mrs. Donald Burke, Mrs. Robert Wulf, Mrs. Ralph Schlesinger, and Mrs. Arthur Roethlin.

Each of these 10 commanders will have under his or her direction five teams of six members each, making a total of 300 men and women actively engaged in carrying forward the general campaign.

This part of the campaign is preceded by the advanced gifts campaign, now moving towards conclusion, in which a total of \$248,000 had been subscribed Friday of this week.

\$425,000 Allotted To Completion of Silverton Road Project

By DON UPJOHN

The Marion county court Saturday received formal notification from the state highway department that out of the \$23,500,000 in federal funds available for federal aid to roads in Oregon during 1950 and 1951, \$425,000 has been assigned to completion of the Salem-Silverton road project, from Steffen corner into Silverton and \$1,250,000 has been assigned for construction and right of way for the Salem-Dallas bridge at Salem over the Willamette river.

At this particular time the allocation of the money for the Salem-Silverton road improvement has added interest because of complications which have arisen among the land owners affected over the routing of the road, complaints being registered against using the proposed new right of way instead of following the old road.

New Right of Way

The information as to the allocation of federal funds indicates clearly that they are based on use of the proposed new right of way. It is stated that \$290,000 has been assigned for surfacing and asphaltic concrete. An additional \$60,000 is for use in construction of a bridge over Pudding river and \$75,000 for an overpass over the Southern Pacific railroad.

Court members indicated it was their understanding the allocations are based on the use of the proposed new routing and that in the final analysis where the road improvement work is largely up to officials in the bureau of public roads and the state highway department.

"I feel sure," said County Judge Grant Murphy, "that the county court, even if it wished to, could not change the routing back to the old road by resolution without the consent of the bureau of public roads and probably the state highway department."

Lose Federal Funds

"And in all likelihood, if it was decided to keep the road improvement approximately on the present route the allocation of federal funds now set up would be lost. That is, it would be necessary to start at the beginning again, secure a new allocation and this would take time and probably mean we'd be off the program with this road for 1950 and 1951. The information received plainly states that the allocation as set up is for these two years."

It also specifies its use in connection with the Pudding river bridge and overpass. Officials have stated there is no place where an overpass could be established if the present routing was selected for the improvement.

Russian Killed Attacking Yanks

Frankfurt, Germany, July 9 (AP)—A young Russian soldier was killed in a border gun battle between U. S. and Soviet army patrols yesterday near Coburg, American officials announced today.

A U. S. army lieutenant shot the Red trooper 200 yards inside the American zone after "numerous" Russian soldiers fired on an American patrol, the announcement said.

The U. S. constabulary command said a protest would be filed charging the Russians with firing on an American patrol in the U. S. zone and illegally crossing the zonal boundary.

The army announcement said the American patrol was checking markings along the American-Soviet boundary at Rothenbach, near Coburg in Bavaria; when it was "fired on."

"The patrol was forced to hit the dirt and then withdrew, returning shortly after with two officers," the announcement said. "They were fired on again and returned the fire."

"One officer's bullet instantly killed a Russian soldier."

The officer was identified by army sources as Lt. William C. Lindorse of Port Huron, Mich.

The Russian, a private about 18 or 19 years old, was left lying where he fell after the two officers "saw numerous Russian soldiers behind trees and under other cover," the announcement said.



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