

THE WEATHER HERE

PARTLY CLOUDY tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature. Lowest tonight, 58; highest Tuesday, 88.

Maximum yesterday, 80; minimum today, 48. 24-hour precipitation, trace; for month, trace; normal, 0. Season precipitation, 41.87; normal, 37.52. River height, 2.5 feet.

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Legionnaires Arriving for Convention

1300 Register by Noon—Wednesday to Be 40 et 8 Day

Nearly 1300 Legionnaires had registered for the 31st annual Oregon state Legion convention by noon Monday...

The gay and colorful convention is scheduled for Wednesday through Saturday...

Legion dignitaries were beginning to drift into Salem Monday morning...

Carnival to Open The Browning brothers carnival will open in Marion square Tuesday...

Golf and bowling tournaments, sponsored by the Legion for Legion members...

Headquarters, which has been in the Senator hotel lobby for over a week...

Convention events actually begin Tuesday, though on a minor scale...

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British Cruiser In Bold Escape

Aboard H. M. S. Jamaica at Sea, Aug. 1 (AP)—This 8,000-ton cruiser sped today to rendezvous with the British sloop Amethyst...

Dramatic details of the Amethyst's dash for freedom were recounted by Vice-Adm. A. C. G. Madden...

The vessel had been pinned down by the communists in the Yangtze since April 20...

Madden said the escape was "all very well planned and conducted. The timing also was a vital factor."

The Amethyst slipped cable Saturday night, at 10:12 Hong-kong time, making as little noise as possible...

The ship was challenged and, ironically, a Red gunboat also in the same area was set afire by the Reds' gunfire.

The Amethyst replied to the shore batteries with one round of her main armament and a large amount of fire from her Bren and Oerlikon guns...

Salem Continues To Swelter in Heat

Salem area continued to swelter, Monday, with indication the day would be really a "scorching." The temperature reading was above the 85 mark at 11 a.m.

A few drops of rain registered a trace Sunday afternoon but threat of a shower or so passed.

Two Bodies Recovered Portland, Aug. 1 (AP)—The bodies of two unidentified men were found floating in the Willamette river here yesterday.

The coroner's office said a body dragged out by a tug crew was that of a middle aged man clad in striped trousers...

Silverton Road Scheduled for New Alignment

Improvement Under Federal Funds to Follow Right-of-Way

The county court was advised unofficially Monday that the state highway department contemplates including improvement of the Silverton road under federal aid funds...

While the county court has not taken a vote as result of a recent meeting when protests were lodged against the new right of way...

Money May Be Lost County Judge Grant Murphy stated that if the county is unable to accept the federal road funds on the basis of the new right of way...

C. A. Gardner, state highway department right of way agent who has been loaned to the county for purchase of right of way on the Silverton road improvement...

Seek Negotiations He indicated as it now stands there may be six or seven parcels on which he will recommend condemnation...

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11 Hurt in 6 Crashes Over the Week-end

Week-end Bad One for Accidents—A total of 11 persons were reported injured in six traffic accidents investigated by police over the week-end including Monday.

At top, car driven by Ralph Propeck, was wrecked when it hit a power pole, and power was cut off in the Keizer area.

Severed pole is shown below at left. At right below car driven by Art Scovell and City Transit bus driven by Roy Donald Anderson collide at State and 12th, causing hospital treatment for four.

Fire Menace Eased in Forests

Slightly cooler weather eased forest fire dangers in western Oregon today as foresters and loggers brought widely scattered timber fires under control.

State Forester Nels Rogers said a brush and small timber fire that scorched 800 acres 15 miles east of Grants Pass over the week-end was being controlled.

District Forester Frank Hamilton put 100 men on the blaze yesterday and headed it away from a more valuable timber tract.

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McKay Sends Charges To Aeronautics Board

Washington, Aug. 1 (AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall told congress today that it would be "a very dangerous thing" to delay President Truman's program of foreign arms aid.

He advised the lawmakers also against cutting the \$1,450,000,000 program until the U. S. has ironclad guarantees that west Europe will cooperate fully.

"You're trying to start the engine up," Marshal told the house foreign affairs committee. The president's program does not go "whole hog" he declared.

Talks on Arms Plan The former secretary of state, who was army chief of staff during World War II, appeared at the committee's hearing on the history-making plan of arms aid to European members of the North Atlantic alliance...

Some republican members of congress have proposed that foreign arms aid be limited to a smaller stop-gap program until the North Atlantic allies organize a defense council and adopt an over-all plan.

Senators Vandenberg (Mich.) and Dulles (N. Y.), who have been leading supporters of the bi-partisan foreign policy, have been among those making this suggestion.

Under questioning by Rep. Mellow (R., N. H.), Marshall said he believed it would be "a very dangerous thing" to hold up the program until congress can assure itself that western Europe has evolved a detailed plan for military coordination, cooperation and unit.

Marshall said he does not believe there will be any difficulty getting the benefitting nations to co-operate. He said he thinks "the formal conclusions" for cooperation have been reached already.

Endorsing President Truman's \$1,450,000,000 program, Marshall agreed with previous statements by Secretary of State Acheson and the army chief of staff, General Omar N. Bradley.

Urgently Necessary Marshall told the committee that he had not sat in on consultations while the plan was being worked out, but that he was briefed on it at the state department last Friday.

"I had been strongly of the opinion that action of this nature was urgently necessary," he added. "As to the fundamental policy involved there is no doubt in my mind as to the desirability of action of this nature immediately."

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To Ask Bids on Million Dollar Apartments

A call for bids on Salem's million dollar apartment house project is to be made in about 90 days, according to Victor N. Jones, Seattle architect, who is active in promotion of the enterprise.

Jones announced further that a commitment for the project has been made by the federal housing authority and that "it is in the working drawing stage."

The building, to be located at the southwest corner of Union and North Winter streets, will be a seven story building with 101 apartment units.

Jones said he was not yet ready to talk about the financing or other details of the project.

Joint Chiefs of Staff Confer

Frankfurt, Germany, Aug. 1 (AP)—The U. S. joint chiefs of staff conferred today with army officers of Italy and Luxembourg in the first of a series of talks with European military representatives.

Lieut. Gen. Eflisio Marias Italy's army chief of staff said at the conclusion of the talks the American chiefs "displayed a friendship on which we can rely without question."

Gen. Marras added "we discussed problems of mutual interest... there is no doubt these discussions will be of great mutual benefit."

Adm. Louis Denfeld, U. S. naval chief of operations said the Italians did not raise the question of U. S. arms aid for Western Europe.

Earlier, a spokesman for the joint staff said the Luxembourg group did not bring up the arms aid question at their session either.

The American chiefs—Gen. Omar N. Bradley, army; Adm. Louis Denfeld, navy; and Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, air force, flew in from Washington Saturday for a 10-day study of European defenses and potentialities under the Atlantic pact.

Heat Wave Lifts Over Country

Chicago, Aug. 1 (AP)—The entire nation is rid of the week-long heat wave.

Temperatures were around normal or cooler today over the country with skies mostly clear. There still were some hot spots in parts of the south but nothing worse than could be expected there for this time of year, the weather bureau reported.

In the great lakes region and the northern plains temperatures ranged lower than average and were pleasantly cool.

Rain was reported in the Carolinas and at scattered points from the Lake Superior area southwestward to eastern Nebraska and northern Kansas. Charleston, S. C., had three inches of rain in six hours.

Buzzing Caused Plane Collision

Fort Dix, N. J., Aug. 1 (AP)—A public hearing by the civil aeronautics board appeared possible today as an aftermath of the crash of a navy fighter plane and a commercial airliner in which 16 persons died Saturday.

The possibility of a public hearing was suggested last night by William K. Andrews, director of the board's bureau of safety investigation. CAB representatives and navy officials are investigating reports that the naval pilot was "buzzing" the Eastern Airlines plane when they collided in the air near Fort Dix, N. J.

An account of the buzzing from a Piper Cub pilot who witnessed the accident, George W. Humphries of Fairhaven, was backed up by pilots for Eastern Airlines and National Airlines. They said their planes had been buzzed by navy fighters in the same area shortly before the collision.

Identification of the Airlines' 15 victims—12 passengers and three crewmen—meanwhile was proceeding slowly. All were charred beyond recognition by a fire which broke out when the plane hit the ground. Teeth provided the only means of identification. The body of the navy pilot, Lt. (J.G.) Robert V. Poe, 26, of Hampton, Va., was found two miles away.

Admiral Lucian Moebus, assistant chief of naval operations for air, said in Washington that "if there was any buzzing it was in direct violation of our existing rules."



U. S. Military Chiefs in Europe—Top military chiefs of the United States arrive in Frankfurt, Germany, for a 10-day inspection tour of allied armaments in face of communist threats to "take action" before western Europe can rearm. Left to right: Admiral Louis E. Denfeld; John J. McCloy, U. S. high commissioner; Lt. Gen. Clarence R. Huebner, European theater; Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, air force; Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon, air force commander in Germany; and Gen. Omar N. Bradley, army chief of staff. (Acme Radio-Telephoto)