

MOSTLY CLOUDY, occasional light showers tonight and Saturday. Little change in temperature. Lowest tonight, 53; highest Saturday, 76.

Maximum yesterday, 54; minimum today, 47. Total 24-hour precipitation: .02; for month: .28; normal, .11. Season precipitation: 42.25; normal, 37.45. River height: 3.4 feet. (Report by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

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## Scene All Set To Open New Highway Friday

### Breitenbush Bridge in Service; Railroad Abandoned Tonight

By JAMES D. OLSON  
With the new 435-foot Breitenbush bridge open, the Niagara-Detroit highway oiled throughout, all is in readiness for the formal opening of the new North Santiam highway Friday.

Abandonment of the Southern Pacific railroad line from Gates to Detroit is scheduled for 11:59 p.m. Friday. The state highway commission is expected to officially declare the road open to travel some time Friday.

All of which means that the highway dedication ceremony, at which Jeanne Bray will be crowned queen, will be held on Sunday as scheduled. County Judge Grant Murphy will preside at the ceremonies and the road will be formally opened by Gov. McKay.

But more important perhaps, so far as the projected Detroit dam is concerned, is the fact that Consolidated Builders, Inc., dam contractors, can now go full speed ahead on the preparatory work to the dam building. This work has been held up due to operation of the railroad.

### Will Now Speed Work

Likewise, contractors who are charged with clearing a 15-mile long area, that will be converted into a lake after the dam has been completed, will be able to speed up their work, using the railroad bed as a roadway.

Equipment used by the Klakenberg Construction company, contractors who have built 11 miles of the new road, is being moved away, the work of this firm having been completed Thursday. Engineers declare that the road building that this firm has completed during the last two years was one of the toughest road jobs in the nation.

### Breitenbush Bridge, which will be the scene of the dedication ceremony Sunday, is a through-girder type, with a main span, 140 feet in length, two measure 110 feet each and one is 75 feet long.

The bridge has a 26-foot deck with sidewalks on either side and its deck is 110 feet above the North Santiam river.

This bridge, and a 140-foot long bridge over Tumble creek, were constructed by the Port Construction company of Port Angeles, Wash., Louis Elterich, president of the firm, personally supervised the work. The cost of the two bridges was approximately \$275,000.

## Jersey Cow Stolen in City

A report of cattle rustling activity headed Salem police reports of thefts Friday according to disclosures made by R. J. Schmidt of 2086 Mission street.

Schmidt reported the theft of a light brown Jersey cow valued at \$150. He said a fence had been pulled down by the rustlers.

A more costly theft was reported by Roy Campbell, 430 S. 14th, who told police that his golf clubs, cart and carrying bag, all valued at \$200, had been stolen from his car.

O. C. Bennett reported the theft of a tire, tube and wheel from his auto.

Florence McLaughlin, 315 1/2 North Commercial, listed a guitar among stolen items. She said the guitar was being used by her husband who was studying to play the instrument and that it had been taken from their residence.

A watch belonging to Beverly Savage, 3260 Garden road, was listed as having been stolen while she was swimming at Olinger pool.

## McKay Leaves for Coos Bay Regatta

Gov. Douglas McKay left today for Coos Bay to take part in the Pirate club's celebration and regatta. He plans to return Saturday night as he plans to go to Detroit Sunday to take part in North Santiam highway dedication ceremonies.

## Allege Vaughan In Plot to Fill Top Army Post

### Home Freezers Said Donated Mrs. Truman and Justice Vinson

Washington, Aug. 12 (AP)—Senator Mundt (R., S.D.) told the five percent inquiry today that Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan appeared to have entered into an "ingenious plot" to fill a top army job.

The new turn in the investigation came amidst developments which:

1. Brought out the names of Mrs. Harry S. Truman, Chief Justice Vinson and other notables as reported recipients of home freezers from a company that has figured in the senate hearings. The White House said it knows nothing of the matter. Vinson said he'll let the senate investigating committee develop the matter.

2. Prompted an announcement that Vaughan, President Truman's army aide, has indicated he is ready to testify whenever the committee wants to hear him.

### Memorandum to Vaughan

The committee is looking into the activities of so-called five-percenters—persons who seek out government contracts for others at a fee.

Vaughan's name has entered the hearing on several counts—mainly as a reported close friend of James V. Hunt, former army officer, surplus property sales consultant and more recently a management consultant.

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## Barkley Says No Wedding--Yet

Washington, Aug. 12 (AP)—Vice President Barkley said today he has not even discussed the possibility of marriage with Mrs. Carleton S. Hadley, St. Louis widow.

The vice president, emerging from a cabinet session, told White House reporters:

"The matter of a wedding has never been mentioned or discussed, even on the fringes, between us."

Barkley described Mrs. Hadley, with whom he attended a baseball game last weekend as "a very lovely and charming woman." But he specifically denied that there would be a wedding in Paducah, Ky., tomorrow.

"I'm going to Paducah to participate in the dedication of an airport to be named Barkley field," he said.

He added that Mrs. Hadley and her daughter will be in Paducah as his guests and that he might possibly take them back to St. Louis Sunday before he returns to Washington.

"There will be no wedding?" he was asked.

"No, sir," he replied.

## Start New Hospital Unit When Money Pledged

As soon as enough money has been pledged to start a unit of the new Salem General hospital ground will be broken, Milton L. Meyers, chairman of the hospital board said today.

He made that declaration at a noon meeting of the campaign workers at the Senator hotel, announced that the drive, originally with a goal of \$1,100,000, has now reached \$352,325.

Of this total some \$230,965 was pledged in the advanced gifts campaign. The doctors contributed \$71,360, and the public campaign so far has reached an even \$50,000. The goal of the public phase drive now in full swing is \$100,000.

At the Friday noon meeting the women workers announced new pledges of \$5466.50 and the men workers \$19,092.35, making the total so far raised by the women's teams \$26,397.10, and the men's teams \$19,092.35.

At the campaign headquarters the busiest days of the drive ended today as the tag ends of the intensive and successful telephone campaign ended.

For four days a staff of enthusiastic, hard-working men and women, volunteer workers, had been making the pick-up calls getting contributions from hundreds of Salem citizens who had been contacted by the telephone workers, who are nearly as possible contacted every telephone user in Salem.



**Aid Rushed**—Mrs. Vera Grayson, route 3, is shown receiving first aid treatment at the scene of an accident Thursday at Summer and Market streets. She suffered cuts and shock when the auto was involved in a smashup with a vehicle driven by E. Gibbs Thurber, Yuma, Ariz. Mrs. Grayson was thrown from her car by the impact. The front of the Thurber car was smashed, while the left side of the Grayson auto was demolished. Her condition was described as good at Salem General hospital.

## Depression Seen in Raising Steel Wages

New York, Aug. 12 (AP)—The chairman of the American Management association told presidential fact-finders today that if steelworkers win their pay demands it could plunge the U. S. into a depression.

John M. Hancock, appearing in behalf of the steel industry, said that any wage increases granted the CIO United Steelworkers is likely to "go through the whole economy" and would lead "to a national pattern of another round of wage increases."

He said "the issue facing the country—and this board—is: Does America want more inflation? Can America stand more inflation?"

If the economy proceeds along lines that "will surely cause inflation," Hancock said it would mean "the end of our kind of economy."

"It means a disguised devaluation of the currency event if it does not reach the point of creating a fear of the value of all money—the ultimate result."

Hancock made clear that he was not receiving any compensation for his appearance. He said that while he had been invited to make his talk by steel company representatives, he was giving his own views without any dictation at all from the industry.

Philip Murray, president of the steelworkers and the CIO, arose and commented:

"Inasmuch as Mr. Hancock's speech is not to be entered as an industry exhibit, I move that it be identified as Wall Street exhibit No. one."

The board took no action on Murray's proposal.

## Truman Agreeable to Return of MacArthur

Washington, Aug. 12 (AP)—The White House indicated Thursday that President Truman has no objections to Gen. Douglas MacArthur coming home to tell Congress about the Far Eastern situation.

A new MacArthur-come-home movement was building up in the senate. Sponsors of the idea want him to testify on the China situation.

Presidential Press Secretary Charles G. Ross said he could not comment directly on that, but he recalled that Mr. Truman said more than a year ago that MacArthur is free to come home any time he wishes.

The combined senate foreign relations and armed services committees, which are considering the president's \$1,450,000,000 arms program, expected to vote before night on the proposal to invite MacArthur to testify.

### To End Wheat Export Ban

Portland, Ore., Aug. 12 (AP)—The ban that keeps export wheat from moving from inland points to ports may end early next week. Commodity Credit Corporation officials confirmed they might recommend lifting of the embargo by Sunday.

# McEwen Confesses Murder Of Frank Shupe in Arizona

## Russia Attacks Tito as Enemy Of Soviet Union

By EDDY GILMORE  
Moscow, Aug. 12 (AP)—Soviet Russia denounced the Yugoslav government today as an enemy of the Soviet Union and charged that Premier Marshal Tito's regime more and more is throwing in its lot with the west.

This sweeping soviet attack, made public by the Moscow radio, was contained in a Russian note to Yugoslavia.

The note stated that Tito's regime as early as April, 1947, had been willing to abandon its basic claims for Austrian territory as compensation for war losses, but wished to shift the responsibility for this decision to the Soviet government.

The note was the fourth in a series of bitter diplomatic exchanges between Moscow and Belgrade over what the Yugoslavs regarded as Russia's abandonment of Yugoslav territorial claims at the recent Big Four foreign ministers conference in Paris.

## Stewardess Crash Heroine

Portland, Me., Aug. 12 (AP)—A pretty and plucky stewardess was heroine of a Northeast Airliner crash from which 27 persons escaped safely last night.

Miss Patricia Donnellan, 23, of North Quincy, Mass., a rookie at her job, calmly herded the passengers out a rear door—a scant two minutes before the plane was enveloped in flames on Portland municipal airport.

The new, \$400,000 Convair—from New York to Boston—was a total loss.

Capt. Roderick Cote, 40, of Melrose, Mass., the pilot, said the propellers of the twin engine plane accidentally reversed 15 or 20 feet above the runway "and we started to plop straight down."

"Then our landing gear collapsed and the sparks began to fly."

The big plane slithered on its belly for several hundred feet in a shower of sparks. Then the right engine caught fire.

Shouting "follow me," Miss Donnellan led the way to the rear door when she couldn't open the front door—the hydraulic system wouldn't work—and flames blocked an emergency exit.

Thomas Clish, 50, of Falmouth, a passenger, said "all hands got out inside of a minute."

"That little stewardess was grand," he said. "She did a grand job."

The burning plane was evacuated without panic. Miss Donnellan said. There was "only a little natural confusion."

## Downey Endorses Judicial Candidates

Washington, Aug. 12 (AP)—Senator Downey (D., Calif.), today recommended to President Truman the appointment of Edward P. Murphy, San Francisco, and S. Victor Wagler, Oakland, as federal district judges for northern California.

Both Murphy and Wagler are serving as superior court judges. The two judgeships for northern California were created by a congressional act signed by the president Aug. 3.

## Police Search Woman Before Sears Crowd

Two big and burly Salem policemen startled customers and sightseers at the new Sears store Thursday by grabbing an embarrassed woman, poking through her packages and giving her a routine "shakedown."

The opening day crowd gaped. The officers chuckled. The "victim" blushed.

What was known only to the policemen and the woman was the fact that she is the Salem police matron.

## Churchill Hits At Limitations

Strasbourg, France, Aug. 12 (AP)—Led by Winston Churchill, the new council of Europe's first assembly today fought for greater independence from control by the 12 member governments.

Churchill, fiery advocate of a United Europe, called for the establishment of the consultative assembly of Europe as a free parliament.

In one of his first speeches to the 101-member assembly yesterday, Churchill rapped what he called "crippling limitation" on assembly debate imposed by the council's committee of foreign ministers.

The committee of ministers, representing the 12 governments which formed the council of Europe, is the guiding body of the new European organization. The committee has the power to decree what subjects shall be debated in the consultative assembly.

Churchill and other advocates of some form of European federation hope the assembly may be the forerunner of a genuine parliament of Europe, with legislative powers cutting across national boundaries. At present the council—divided into a consultative assembly and a committee of ministers—has only advisory powers to promote greater European unity.

Inspired by Churchill's oratory, the assembly delegates clearly indicated they will seek greater authority than the ministerial committee intend they shall have.

## Crack Down on Red Activities

Frankfurt, Germany, Aug. 12 (AP)—The western allies cracked down today on both communist and resurgent nationalists in western Germany's federal election campaign.

The U. S. military government civil division in Berlin banned a German communist election pamphlet depicting an American army sergeant as a black marketer.

British officials in Duesseldorf seized 500,000 copies of a communist leaflet signed by seven former Nazi S. S. (elite guard) men. It told Germans to vote "for those who work for Germany's freedom in building a national front" and attacked the west's administration of Germany as colonial rule.

An American military government spokesman lashed out last night at the "pronounced nationalism" displayed in the campaign. He warned that opinion abroad would not overlook "the sudden forgetfulness" by German politicians of American help.

Scattered violent incidents are marking the campaign, which winds up Sunday. Some 31,000, 000 voters are expected to go to the polls that day to choose a west German parliament.

## New OSC Seismograph

Corvallis, Aug. 12 (AP)—The new seismograph at Oregon State college, authorized by the state board of higher education, will be installed as soon as its little house is built.

## Texas Slaying Denied in Story Told to Sheriff

By DON UPJOHN  
Sheriff Denver Young announced Friday afternoon that Edward Charles McEwen had confessed in the county jail here to the slaying of Frank Shupe, Arizona citrus grower, near Phoenix, Arizona, June 12 of this year.

The statement was made to B. W. Wikstrum and Lin Constantine, special investigators from the Phoenix sheriff's office. His circumstantial statement followed virtually the lines that had been built up by the Arizona officers in reconstructing the story of the killing.

McEwen denied that he was guilty of the murder of Tex Thornton in Amarillo, Texas, 10 days after the Shupe murder. In doing this he gave the Arizona officers some information as to his whereabouts which he said, if checked on, would clear him completely of the other crime.

B. W. Wikstrum and Lin Constantine, investigators from the sheriff's office at Phoenix, Ariz., arrived in Salem Thursday night armed with requisition papers for the extradition of Edward Charles McEwen, Marion county jail inmate wanted in Phoenix for the murder of Frank Shupe, Arizona citrus grower, June 12 of this year.

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## Drop Fight on Arms Aid Bill

Washington, Aug. 12 (AP)—Advocates of cutting President Truman's \$1,450,000,000 arms aid bill gave up the fight in the house foreign affairs committee today. They decided to make their stand on the house floor instead.

The bill is due to reach the floor next week, after the foreign affairs committee votes on it Monday.

Representatives Vorys (R-Ohio) and Richards (D-S.C.), who had been spearheading the drive for cuts, told newsmen they plan no further committee action but will make their fight when the bill comes before the house.

Their decision to toss in the sponge in committee followed defeat yesterday, by a tie vote, of a Richards amendment to reduce the amount of arms aid for Atlantic pact nations to \$580,495,000, and rejection today, on a technically, of a similar amendment.

The amendment offered today would have done it by percentage.

Chairman Kee (D-W.Va.) ruled it out of order on the ground the committee already had rejected the same proposal.

Before adjourning until next Monday morning, the committee adopted several amendments designed to reiterate the hope of the U. S. for world peace and calling on administrators of the aid program to bring about "unified direction and effort" in developing defense plans.

Several amendments still must be considered by the committee.

## Vaughan Willing To Be Witness

Washington, Aug. 12 (AP)—Senator Hoye (D., N.C.), said today Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan, President Truman's army aide, has indicated his willingness to testify in the senate "five percent" hearings.

Hoye, chairman of the committee conducting the inquiry did not say when Vaughan would be called.

Hoye made the statement to reporters at the White House where he had called with constituents to invite Mr. Truman to a celebration in North Carolina next year.

General Vaughan has indicated his willingness to testify before the committee at "any time the committee wants to hear him," Hoye said.



**Breitenbush Bridge Completes North Santiam Highway**—North Santiam highway, opened today, will be dedicated at Breitenbush bridge with ceremonies on Sunday. This 435 foot structure is a thorough girder bridge and stands 110 feet above the Breitenbush river. Port Construction company of Port Angeles, Wash., built the bridge.