

THE WEATHER HERE

MOSTLY CLOUDY with fog, smoke tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature. Lowest tonight, 38; highest Tuesday, 52.

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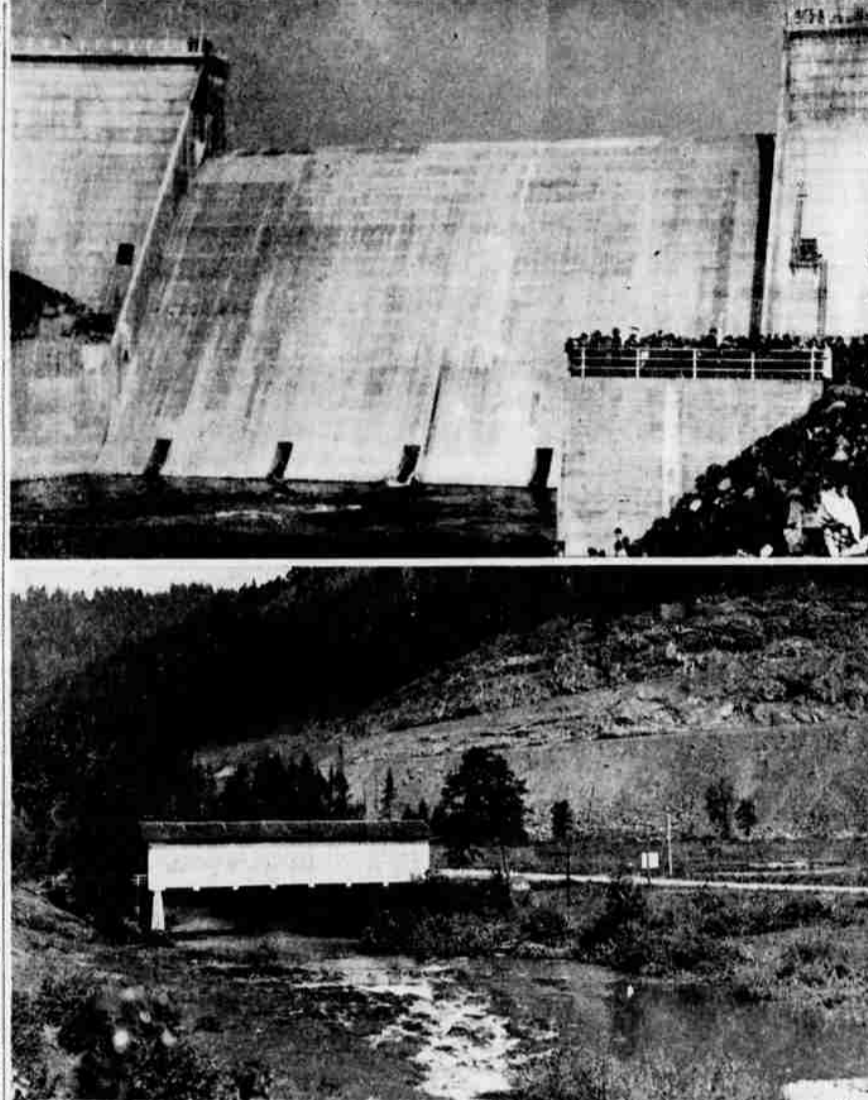
Valley People Meet at Celebration of Dorena Project

By JAMES D. OLSON Verbal blasts at the proposed Columbia Valley Authority featured Sunday's dedication of the \$14,000,000 Dorena dam seven miles southeast of Cottage Grove.

Hopes for Early End Crippling Strikes Vanish

No Apparent Progress Toward a Break in Coal or Steel Tie-ups

Thickening gloom appeared to have smothered today any hope for early peace in the nation's industrial-crippling coal and steel strikes.



Dorena Dam Dedicated—Top: Governor McKay opens spillway gate releasing waters impounded by \$14,000,000 Dorena dam dedicated Sunday. This flood control dam is 146 feet high, 3,390 feet long and the reservoir will contain 70,000 acre feet of water available to irrigate 6,000 acres along the Willamette tributary area. Below: Approximate site of Dorena dam showing covered bridge across Row river May 3, 1947, before work started. Dorena dam was completed one year ahead of schedule.

No Relief in Sight from Fog

A heavy fog belt lay over western Oregon and Washington today, grounding airplane travel and slowing motorists to a crawl.

They crawled so conscientiously that the Portland area, usually a rash of traffic crashes on foggy mornings, reported only two minor motor mishaps between midnight and dawn.

Both the Portland and Seattle airports were completely closed. Commercial airline flights, though normal south of Medford and east of the Cascade mountains, were halted in the fog belt.

There was no trace of a light plane which vanished from over the Salem airport in the midst of a dense fog last night.

CAW Held Part Of Red Front

Washington, Oct. 24 (AP)—The house un-American activities committee has described the Congress of American Women (CAW) as "an anti-American and pro-Soviet" snare for gullible women.

The committee said CAW is "just another communist hoax specifically designed to ensnare ideologically minded but, politically gullible women," the chief purpose of which "is to act as part of a world-wide pressure mechanism among women in support of Soviet foreign and domestic policy."

The CAW described itself as "an organization of women whose openly avowed goal since its inception has been the furtherance of world peace, and the betterment of the conditions of life for themselves and their children."

500 School Teachers Of 5 Counties Meeting

High school teachers, principals and administrators totaling approximately 500 from Benton, Lincoln, Linn, Polk and Marion counties in joint assembly at Salem senior high Monday forenoon heard an informal talk by Governor Douglas McKay regarding conservation.

The governor told the group that teachers had the best opportunity to mould public opinion since they were dealing with youth and not with persons who had become pretty well fixed in their convictions.

Conservation means "wise use" in his vocabulary said the chief executive as he discussed the possibilities of Oregon's hydroelectric development. And while the state is busily engaged in making room for the vast number of new citizens, building dams and cutting down the forests, Governor McKay urged that those things Oregonians hold dear from a recreational viewpoint be retained.

Atlantis Ghost Dictates Book

London, Oct. 24 (AP)—British author Frances Dale did the typing, but she insisted today that her last book really was written by a ghost who has been dead thousands and thousands of years.

He lived, so said his ghost, on the continent of Atlantis which sank in the Atlantic ocean a long time ago.

So certain is the 40-year old writer that the book which fairly flew from her finger tips is none of her work that she told her astonished publisher that she will accept no royalties.

"I can't explain it," said Miss Dale, who has written numerous novels, children's books and a cook book. "But a voice inside me said 'write this down' and I just typed with exhausting speed. How that chap could dictate!"

The voice, she explained, identified itself as being that of a priest named Armatus, and he warned of dangers confronting civilization. She said she understood him to say he'd been dead nine million years. Too much materialism and selfishness are what's wrong in this age, said the old Atlantiastian.

City Plans to Take Over Vets Housing Project

A resolution is being prepared for introduction at the city council meeting Monday night to approve transfer of the veterans' housing project from the federal government to the city.

The project is in the south part of the city, bordered approximately by 16th, 19th, Hines and Wilbur streets. It has a total of 172 housing units with only three vacant. All units have been occupied since the project was established.

The proposed transfer is because of a policy of the federal government to transfer to local control all temporary housing projects except those on government or government-controlled land. The government is stressing permanent housing.

At present the government collects a percentage of the rental income from the project, the percentage amounting to about \$20,000 a year. Total rentals from the 172 units run between \$50,000 and \$60,000 a year.

If the transfer is made the Salem housing authority will receive all the income and also absorb any losses. It is possible that instead of the money going into the city's general fund it may be held in a separate account for possible future use for permanent housing. That, however, is indefinite. At present the city's part of the income goes into the general fund, but is earmarked for special purposes.

Schrank Named to Sheriff Elliott's Job

Portland, Ore., Oct. 24 (AP)—Multnomah county commissioners today named Terry Schrank, Portland fire department captain, to be sheriff here, succeeding Marion LeRoy (Mike) Elliott.

Elliott was recalled in a special election Friday 59,059 to 44,810. Schrank, like Elliott, is a registered democrat. He was named to serve until the 1950 election.

Truman Calls on Nations To Outlaw Atomic Warfare

Britain Slashes Defense Costs To Ease Crisis

London, Oct. 24 (AP)—Prime Minister Attlee slashed dollar spending and defense costs and cut down on free medical services today to ease Britain's economic crisis.

The prime minister laid before the house of commons a program which will mean that some food costs for hungry, rationed Britons will rise.

Attlee told the house of commons he estimated cuts would save 280,000,000 pounds (\$784,000,000) in Britain's 1949-1950 budget. The budget totals 3,300,000,000 pounds. The British pound now is worth \$2.80. It was devalued from \$4.03 on Sept. 18.

5 Day Week on County Roads

Faced with a restricted budget for the balance of the year due to extraordinary expenses since July 1, the county court decided that beginning with November 1 all county road employees will be placed on a five day week. They now work on a full six-day basis. About 35 employees will be affected by the cut.

This, said court members, will effect a saving of about \$8000 a month. Also laying off of four private trucks used in connection with oiled road operations which costs about \$1000 a month for each truck will save another \$4000.

But, even at that, it was pointed out there will still only be about \$40,000 a month left for the balance of the fiscal year to operate the road work which normally runs about \$50,000 a month with the crews working full time.

The road appropriation for the year was \$643,820 and the last report up to September 30, showed \$206,646 expended which is about one-third of the appropriation used up in a fourth of the year for which it was assigned. But that doesn't tell the whole story, as there are about \$70,000 in oiled road charges which do not show up in the expenditures but probably will be in until the October report is out, so all told it is estimated about \$40,000 a month is left to take care of the rest of the fiscal year's work.

If the county should run into some similar condition to last winter when freezing and thawing broke up roads all over the county, it would present a grave situation for road financing.



Bidault Tries For a Cabinet

Paris, Oct. 24 (AP)—France turned today to Georges Bidault, former foreign minister and premier, in efforts to find another centrist government that will end the 19-day-old government crisis.

Bidault, a popular republican (MRP), accepted designation as premier after Socialist Jules Moch and radical socialist Rene Mayer failed to whip the middle-road parties into line.

Negotiations with party leaders which began this morning were complicated by a strike threat from Socialist workers. The socialist workers force, the largest non-communist union in France, authorized its executive committee to call a strike unless salary demands are met.

Gen. Charles De Gaulle's right-wing followers continued their demands for dissolution of parliament and new elections. The cry for elections was taken up by one section of the radical socialists, the third part of the centrist coalition, in the Rhone department.

The Rhone radicals voted in favor of an interim cabinet to prepare the way for new elections.

Bidault will appear before the national assembly tomorrow for a vote of confidence, which is sure to receive.

Cornerstone of United Nations Building Laid

New York, Oct. 24 (AP)—President Truman pleaded anew today for safeguards to banish the atom bomb and "negotiation and mutual adjustment" to end the cold war's threat to peace.

The president addressed 16,000 at an unprecedented open air session of the United Nations assembly. The principal speaker at the cornerstone ceremony for the United Nations' new home here, the president referred to the structures as "the most important buildings in the world."

All mankind, the president declared, is in fear of destruction from the awesome atom bomb.

"To assure that atomic energy will be devoted to man's welfare and not to his destruction is a continuing challenge to all nations and all peoples," President Truman said.

Mr. Truman spoke after a tumultuous welcome to New York from a police-estimated crowd of 750,000 along his route from Pennsylvania station to the UN site on 42nd street. It was his first visit to the big city since his victorious election campaign.

The band played "Sidelwalks of New York" as the chief executive drove up in a 25-car motorcade. The song was chosen by the UN officials who decided no national anthems would be played on this international occasion.

A slight cheer arose from the crowd as Mr. Truman shook hands with Russia's Andrei Y. Vishinsky upon his arrival with Secretary of State Acheson at the blue and white draped rostrum at the dead end of East 42nd street on the East river.

Pencil Tear Bomb Used on Police

A pencil style tear gas bomb, accidentally exploded by a man called to assist an officer handcuff a drunk, temporarily blinded Patrolman Ernie Finch and his quarry early Monday morning.

Finch had been detailed to check the apartment of Edith Insko, 594 North Commercial, when she told police she feared to return there, believing that a man was there.

The officer accompanied by the complainant, Lorraine Izzo, 1064 Howard and Jack Turner, 2096 State, went to the apartment and found Jack Truxall, 2987 Brooks. Clothing as well as the bed had been torn up and kitchen knives were found lying about.

Finch managed to place Truxall under arrest and bring him down to the prowl car, but there he broke loose. After he was subdued, the patrolman asked Turner to slip on the handcuffs, but the tear gas bomb was released in the attempt.

Truxall was sentenced to pay a \$25 fine and was ordered to spend five days in the city jail.

Dock Strike at Honolulu Ends

Honolulu, Oct. 24 (AP)—Hawaii's striking CIO stevedores will go back to work tomorrow and Wednesday in five of the islands' six ports. They started the territory's most crippling labor tie-up May 1.

Salem Airport Puzzled By Stray Plane in Fog

A phantom airplane loomed out of a heavy fog over McNary field at 8:14 Sunday night, nearly crashed into the civil aeronautics administration control tower, skimmed over the top of Oregon State prison, then disappeared.

The light plane never returned to the local field, and no clue as to its whereabouts had been received by noon Monday. CAA headquarters in Portland contacted airfields throughout the state, but were unable to find any reports of a plane landing last night.

No airplanes are reported missing in this area. In fact, as far as airfields throughout Oregon are concerned, no plane even took off late Sunday to fly over the Willamette valley. Flying conditions were so bad that commercial flights were cancelled.