

THE WEATHER HERE

FAIR TONIGHT and Tuesday, except for some morning fog and low cloudiness. Cooler Tuesday. Lowest temperature tonight, 40; highest Tuesday, 68.

Maximum yesterday, 72; minimum today, 38. Total 24-hour precipitation, 0. For month, 2.31; normal, 2.84. Season precipitation, 3.88; normal, 4.84. River height, -2.4 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

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Strike Ending Pact Agreed to By Bethlehem

Major Feature Calls For Expansion of Existing Pension Plan

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—Steel industry sources said today a strike-ending agreement has been reached between Bethlehem Steel Corp. and the CIO Steelworkers union.

These sources said an announcement of the agreement will be made at Cleveland late this afternoon by Philip Murray, head of the CIO and its striking steelworkers union.

They said a major feature of the agreement calls for expansion of the corporation's existing pension plan, with the employer still paying the entire cost of pensions.

Cost to Workers

In Cleveland, it was reported workers and the company each would contribute two and one-half cents an hour toward an expanded social insurance and hospitalization program.

The company's new pension plan, it was said, would cost about nine cents an hour per worker.

(In Bethlehem, Pa., officials of Bethlehem Steel Corp. declined to confirm or deny reports that it was about to come to terms with the steelworkers union.)

There were also rumors of a settlement in the office on coal, but nothing to indicate that they were more than rumors.

Coal Strike End Near?

A usually well-informed government official said at Cleveland that announcement of Murray's settlement was being held up to allow simultaneous strike-end signals in steel and John L. Lewis' 43-day-old coal strike.

Bethlehem for a quarter century has had a wholly employer-paid pension plan in effect.

Thus the argument over whether worker pensions should be employer-financed as the steel strikers have insisted, or partially paid for by the workers, as the U.S. Steel Corp. has demanded, never figured very prominently in the Bethlehem situation.

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Chrysler Plants To Close Friday

Detroit, Oct. 31 (AP)—The auto industry's first major shutdown resulting from the steel strike is set for Friday, when Chrysler Corp. plans to close three divisions indefinitely.

The move will throw a majority of 35,000 Detroit area Dodge, De Soto and Chrysler plant employees out of work.

Chrysler officials said they hoped to maintain production of Dodge trucks until Nov. 11, and to keep assembly lines moving at the Plymouth plant "as close to Thanksgiving as possible."

The last of the dwindling steel supplies will go into Plymouth cars, the corporation said.

"After all our steel is gone, we won't be able to call our people back on any substantial basis for at least a month after the steel strike is settled," a spokesman added.

A few of the Dodge, De Soto and Chrysler workers will be retained for inventory, parts and engine work.

The Ford Motor Co., also running short of steel, expects to start closing down its big Rouge plant Nov. 11.

"By Nov. 15, when the assembly lines there stop," reported Ford Vice President Ernest R. Breech, "we'll have 115,000 off the payroll."

General Motors Corp., third member of the automobile industry's "big three," already has closed a few of its plants temporarily.

Strikes Reversing Employment Climb

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—Secretary of Commerce Sawyer said today that strikes have reversed the late summer climb in employment. He predicted that once they are settled the number of people at work will start rising again.

Metropolitan Area for Salem After Census

Washington Says 50,000 Population to Qualify City's Rank

By STEPHEN A. STONE

When the 1950 census is tabulated, Salem will qualify by population for a standard metropolitan area.

There seems to be good authority for this statement with arrival of information from Washington Monday in reply to a recent inquiry by the Capital Journal.

The message said that "since standard metropolitan areas will be defined only for cities that have 50,000 inhabitants, Salem does not qualify."

That, however, is based on the old census figure of 1940, which gave Salem only 30,773 population. The message continues: "Estimates Exceed 50,000."

"Should Salem attain a population of 50,000 in the 1950 census, it could be expected that a metropolitan area would be designated."

The 1949 estimate of Salem's population made several months ago by the Chamber of Commerce puts the figure at 52,800. However, later reliable estimates, based on post office and utility calculations, heavy influx of new residents, and recent annexations, particularly West Salem, put the city's population nearer 60,000 than 50,000.

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Murray Pledges Purge of Reds

Cleveland, Oct. 31 (AP)—CIO President Philip Murray touched off a rousing demonstration at the opening session of the 11th convention today when he promised to "cleanse" the organization of pro communists.

After referring to abuse directed at him by the Moscow radio Murray, in his keynote address, said that at meetings of his own CIO executive board:

"I did not know whether I was talking to a fink (strikebreaker), a commie, or an FBI man.

"If we are going to cleanse this movement, which by the way, we are going to do at this convention," Murray started to say when the more than 600 delegates broke into the noisy cheers.

Murray was unable to finish his sentence.

At least three, and possibly a dozen unions under so-called left-wing leadership are threatened with ouster from the CIO.

Murray declared that left-wingers follow the interest of the Soviet government, even "if that means destruction of democratic trade unions."

"They have no devotion to their unions," Murray shouted. "They have no devotion to their country."

Murray got another cheer when he said that "no subtleties engaged in by the representatives of this (left wing) group that are not serving the interest of the communist party in this convention will satisfy this delegation."

By next July the navy expects to have 237 combat vessels in operation as compared with 268 on September 1. The fleet will be reduced by four aircraft carriers and the craft which support them. Most of the reduction will be in the Atlantic fleet.

Essex class carriers (27,000 tons) will be reduced from five to three, smaller carriers of about 14,000 tons will be increased from three to four and the small "jeep" escort carriers will be reduced from seven to four.

The navy will keep in operation its three big 45,000-ton carriers, the Midway, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Coral Sea. The same is true of the 45,000-ton battleship Missouri.

The navy announcement,



U. S. Asks Recall Of Czech Envoys

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—The United States demanded today that communist Czechoslovakia recall immediately two Czech officials now in this country.

They are Dr. Erwin Munk, consul general at New York, and Jan Horvath, housekeeper of the Czech embassy in the capital.

The action was in apparent reprisal for the recent ousting of two American attaches from the embassy at Prague. However, in announcing the order, the state department declined to give any explanation except that the two are both "persona non grata."

That means they are personally unacceptable to this government.

The Czech ambassador, Vladimir Outrata, asked for an appointment with Undersecretary of State James E. Webb, pre-

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Marshall Plan For Asia Looms

Paris, Oct. 31 (AP)—United States experts are drawing preliminary plans for a Marshall plan in Asia designed to help halt the spread of communism in the Orient.

This was disclosed yesterday by an American official who predicted that the project would win support in congress.

The projected program for the Orient would not involve as large an outlay of money as the system of American aid now functioning in Europe.

Early estimates contemplate a request to congress next summer for \$1,000,000,000 to \$1,250,000,000 for the first year of the proposed Asia program, said the informant, who preferred not to be identified. Smaller requests would taper off the program in the next two or three years, just as it is intended to ease off Marshall plan appropriations for Europe.

The informant said the experts believe the following countries should be invited to participate: India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Burma, Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines and perhaps Indonesia and Viet-Nam, the Indonesian state recently given increased self-government by France.

Where Welk's Body Was Found—The X on this picture shows the spot where the body of Donald Welk was found on Mt. Hood where he was killed Saturday after falling and sliding for almost a mile. A pair of skis and a stretcher were used to move the body over the rough and icy part of the mountain. The rescue party was from Timberline lodge. They were James Carskadon, superintendent of the ski crew; Walter Aeppli, an experienced mountain climber from Switzerland; Benjamin Lentell, Jr., and Walter Byrne. Welk, 20, was a sophomore at Lewis and Clark college, Portland. His sister, Miss Alice Welk, and Bob Buscho were with him at the time of the accident. (Photo by Bert Foote)

County to Cooperate On City Drainage Plans

By DON UPJOHN

The county court at a conference with J. L. Franzen, Salem city manager, and J. H. Davis, city engineer, Monday agreed to quick cooperation in carrying out its share of what drainage plans northeast of Salem are contemplated by the city this fall.

Included in this is the county's agreement to deepen a ditch between Hollywood avenues and Hadley street running north from the Silverton road where the city had run into some controversy with property owners.

However, the county will deepen the ditch only about 300 feet where it was expected no difficulty would be encountered.

In deepening the ditch the county will act under statutory provisions which allows it to go on private land when necessary to take care of water condition which is damaging one of its roads.

The main request made by city officials to the court was the installation of the equivalent of two 48-inch box culverts under the Silverton road about 100 feet west of Hollywood avenue. The city plans to run a 24-inch pipe line from about Lansing avenue for 2500 feet along the south side of the Silverton road to the proposed new culvert where the water will be carried across the road into the ditch to be deepened. The deepening of the ditch will be necessary to meet the level of the new culvert.

The county's interest lies in the fact that at certain flood times water collects at least a foot high over the Silverton road near Lansing avenue. It is at this point children will have to cross to reach the new Capitola school, city officials said, and there is no other way of their reaching it. Eventually it is expected a sidewalk will be constructed over the proposed 24-inch pipe line along the south side of the road. It is believed by the city officials carrying out of this plan this fall will relieve conditions in case of flash floods.

Fireman E. Henkes reported the flames were seen by neighbors at 9 a.m. He said volunteer Bruce Schroeder tried to crawl into the home but the floor crumbled. Earlier, neighbor S. E. Moore had been forced to retreat from the flames. The two-story frame dwelling was completely engulfed by the time firemen arrived.

Dr. Perkins was born January 3, 1884, on the ranch his great-grandfather had homesteaded in 1844. He was a graduate of the University of Oregon, class of 1906, and was a star athlete and track team captain.

Mrs. Perkins was born in Vancouver, Wash. Her mother, now 92, lives near the Perkins' home site. One great grandfather, W. H. Gray, was secretary of the first provisional government formed at Champeog. He earlier had been a secular agent for the Marcus Whitman mission and later built Willamette university's first structure. He also wrote an early history of Oregon. She had attended the University of Oregon as an art student.

National Quest For Historic Sites

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—A national trust, created under a bill signed by President Truman, now can receive donations of historic sites and buildings.

It also will receive private contributions of funds to maintain such places.

The trust's program will supplement the federal government's efforts to preserve historic spots.

The legislation designates the secretary of interior, the director of the National Gallery of Arts, and the attorney general as members of the board of trustees of the trust. At least six additional trustees are to be named by the executive board of the National Council for Historic Sites and Buildings, a private organization.

Coffee Futures Soar

New York, Oct. 31 (AP)—Coffee prices resumed their upward trend today, with quotations for future deliveries advancing the daily limit or two cents a pound shortly after the market opened.

West Europe Warned to Get Results Soon

Told by Hoffman to Promote Trade by Easing Money Controls

Paris, Oct. 31 (AP)—Paul G. Hoffman, Marshall Plan boss, warned Western Europe today to show results early next year in promoting free trade by knocking down national tariff barriers and erasing complex money controls.

He made it pretty plain it might be hard to get more aid funds from the U.S. congress unless the Marshall Plan countries showed more willingness to join in a single economic unit.

Goods in the big western European market, he said, must move freely across the many national boundaries — like trade between the 48 states of the U.S. Economic Unity Needed

Failure to achieve economic unity, Hoffman warned, means "disaster for nations and poverty for peoples."

He made his call for concrete action by early next year in a prepared statement to the general council of the Organization for European Economic Cooperation (OEEC), the European organization that helps administer the Marshall Plan.

Hoffman said the Marshall Plan countries have made "truly amazing progress" in restoring industrial and agricultural production in the last two years. But he said cooperative action between nations is needed if western Europe's economic problems are to be solved.

"This, I believe, means nothing less than an integration of the western European economy," he said.

Procedure Suggested

"The substance of such integration would be the formation of a single large market within which quantitative restrictions on the movement of goods, monetary barriers to the flow of payments, and, eventually, all tariffs are permanently swept away."

"The fact that we have in the United States a single market of 150,000,000 consumers has been indispensable to the strength and efficiency of our economy. The creation of a permanent, freely trading area, comprising 170,000,000 consumers in western Europe, would have a multitude of helpful consequences."

Hoffman's speech climaxed numerous recent demands that Europe do something more positive toward unification while the American aid program is still in effect.

Farm Price Bill Remains Unsigned

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—President Truman cleared his desk today of all but four bills sent to him by the first session of the 61st congress.

The deadline for action on the remaining bills, including the farm bill, is midnight tomorrow, the White House said.

Press Secretary Charles G. Ross said he did not know whether Mr. Truman would act today on the long-range agriculture bill.

1000 Children Pledge Peaceful Hallowe'en

More than 1,000 Salem children were bound by signed pledges Monday to be on their best behavior Halloween night—but police laid plans to deal with them or any others who may be tempted by the witching hours.

The pledges were obtained by the Busick markets from youngsters who traded away plans for unlawful behavior by accepting tickets to a special show Saturday at the Capitol theater.

For the others, however, police had well prepared plans to deal with the problem. A copy of the city ordinance dealing with curfew hours for underage persons was posted by the juvenile officer so that every patrolman would be ready to enforce it.

The curfew ordinance establishes 10:30 p.m. as the hour for juveniles to be off the streets. Those who are not at home or accompanied by adults at that time are subject to arrest.

The law orders police to bring the juveniles to police headquarters to be held for parents or other legal guardians. A fine up to \$250 can be imposed along with a jail term up to 60 days. Every available officer will be



Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.

Ex-Secretary Of State Dies

Greenwich, Conn., Oct. 31 (AP)—Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., wartime head of lend-lease and U.S. secretary of state when the United Nations came into being, died today at the age of 49.

The white-haired, handsome Stettinius, who at 37 became board chairman of the U.S. Steel corporation, was his country's first UN delegate. He was named rector of the University of Virginia after leaving the UN post in 1946.

Death came at 7:30 a.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Trippe here. Mrs. Trippe is Stettinius' sister. Her husband is head of Pan-American World Airways.

A rich man's son, Stettinius went into government service and shortly became administrator of the \$60,000,000 lend-lease program that played a major role in the final defeat of Nazi Germany.

The former cabinet member's secretary said members of the household found Stettinius unconscious in bed this morning. He died soon after a physician arrived at the house.

Stettinius had suffered from a heart condition since last spring, his secretary said.

His wife and her mother, Mrs. W. J. Wallace, were with him when he died.

His three sons, Edward R., Wallace and Joseph, and another sister, Mrs. John B. Marsh also survive.

The Greenwich medical examiner, Dr. C. Stanley Knapp, said death apparently resulted from two forms of heart ailment.

Senator Cordon to Speak Here Friday

United States Senator Guy Cordon will be the speaker for next Friday evening's banquet of the Oregon Republican club's convention, it is announced by Dr. E. E. Boring, general chairman. The banquet is slated for 7 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

Senator Cordon left Washington today en route home to Roseburg and the Friday talk will be one of his first in Oregon after arriving from the national capital.

Because Senator Cordon must leave the same evening for Klamath Falls by train, the banquet will begin promptly at 7 o'clock and will adjourn early, Boring states.

The convention opens Friday noon for two days here.

Sherman Over Atlantic on Way to Capital

Admiral Refuses to Comment on Rumored Appointment

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—Vice Admiral Forrest P. Sherman headed today for Washington, bolstering speculation that he will be picked to succeed Adm. Louis Denfeld as chief of naval operations.

The commander of the sixth task force in the Mediterranean has been mentioned prominently for the job from which Denfeld was ousted. He has stayed on the sidelines in the armed services scrap which brought Denfeld's removal.

Sherman, who landed in London en route, told reporters at the airport "I have no comment to make on any subject."

Left Fleet in Beirut

He conferred briefly with Adm. Richard L. Conolly, commander in chief of the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean fleet, before boarding a Pan American Airways plane again for New York.

Sherman left his fleet at Beirut, Lebanon, and boarded a Pan American airliner for the flight to this country. Officials at London headquarters of U. S. naval forces in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean said he had been ordered to return to the capital.

He is due to arrive in New York early tomorrow.

An announcement on Denfeld's successor as well as a decision on whether Denfeld will retire or accept a lesser assignment is expected soon.

Claim Johnson Broke Pledges

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—Four congressmen in a joint statement today accused Secretary of Defense Johnson and Secretary of the Navy Matthews of "broken pledges and smearing tactics" in the case of Admiral Louis E. Denfeld.

The four lashing out at Johnson and Matthews were Reps. Sasser of Maryland and Herbert of Louisiana, democrats, and Arends of Illinois and Cole of New York, republicans.

They said the Johnson-Matthews stand that Denfeld was ousted for lack of qualification — rather than in reprisal for his criticism of high military policy — "takes the prize for outright quackery and injustice."

All four are members of the house armed services committee which held public hearings on differences among the armed services. They said in their statement that Johnson pledged there would be no reprisals against any witness.

The action against Denfeld, they went on, confronts future witnesses "with the gag rule and intimidation" and raises the issue of the right of congress to secure information on military policies.

Truman Thanked By Wallgren

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—Mon C. Wallgren called on President Truman today to thank him for appointment as a member of the Federal Power commission.

The former Washington governor said he expects to take his oath of office within a few days.

Mr. Truman nominated Wallgren, a close personal friend, for the power commission post after the senate turned down the reappointment of Leland Olds as chairman of that commission.

The commission now must elect a new chairman.

Wallgren said he has been vacationing at Palm Desert in California, where he and Mrs. Wallgren have a place. She will join him later in Washington, where the Wallgrens have an apartment at the Wardman Park hotel.

Wallgren's confirmation for the FPC post came after the senate armed services committee previously had shelved his nomination as chairman of the national security resources board.

Name Change Asked

Fresno, Cal., Oct. 31 (AP)—Jack Asadorian had his name changed to Jack Dorian today because people always pronounced his old name too fast.