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INCREASING CLOUDINESS to-night and Friday. Slightly cooler afternoon temperatures. Lowest tonight, 38; highest Friday, 62.

Maximum yesterday, 68; minimum today, 35. Total 24-hour precipitation: none for month; 8; normal, 42. Season precipitation, 3.68; normal, 5.65. River height, 1.3 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

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10-Year Plan Outlined for City Projects

Program Outlined by Franzen for Salem's Improvement

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City Manager J. L. Franzen Wednesday night outlined a 10-year city improvement program which he will offer to the council by the first of the year.

The program is so shaped that it will put on an orderly basis the necessary projects that come up in various city departments, and so that it will keep the public fully informed at all times, which is important because the program will depend on public cooperation.

The plan was revealed at the first of a series of conferences that the manager will have with members of city departments. The conference Wednesday night was about public parks, and meeting with the manager were representatives of the city park advisory committee and the park committee of the long-range planning commission.

Airport development Thursday night the manager will meet with the airport advisory committee and representatives of the state board of aeronautics and the civil aeronautics administration to talk about airport development.

Franzen has prepared program forms on which will be listed proposed projects for each city department. The forms are in 13 columns. The first column lists the projects, the second the method of financing, the third the estimated cost of each project, and the other columns are for estimated yearly expenditure on the projects for 10 years, from 1950 to 1959 inclusive.

The years are paired, so that at the May election of each even-numbered year the people may vote on the financing for projects of that and the following year, and if approved, the funds may be entered in the city budget which is effective in July.

Program Flexible The program will not be so rigid that it can't be changed, and a project may be shifted from one year to another if advisable.

A summary form is being prepared by the manager to show the overall 10-year program and total estimated cost from year to year. (Concluded on Page 5, Column 7)

Group Seeks to Buy Senators

A group of five business men headed by Howard Maple is negotiating with Bill Mulligan, business manager of the Portland Beavers, for the purchase of the Salem Senator franchise, Western International league.

In making this announcement Thursday, Maple said the deal did not involve the immediate purchase of Waters park, home of the Senators. He stated that present plans called for the leasing of the plant.

No announcement was made concerning the money involved in the negotiations which have been negotiated by Mulligan to George Norgan, Vancouver, B.C., principal stockholder of the Portland Beavers who have operated the Senators as a farm club since the war. Maple expects a reply to his offer within a short time.

While here early in the week Mulligan disclosed that the Portland parent club had placed its local holdings on the market. At the same time he said that negotiations with a Salem committee which had sought to raise funds with which to purchase both the franchise and the park had been terminated.

Maple, a graduate of Oregon State college where he was prominent in baseball and football, later played professional baseball with a number of clubs including the Washington Senators. He was business manager for the Senators for a period early in the war. Later he went to Alaska where he was a member of an organization which was engaged in building a railroad for defense purposes.

Gamblers Arrested

Portland, Nov. 3 (AP)—Thirteen men and two women were arrested yesterday in a basement room on charges of operating a policy numbers lottery. Detectives seized numbered slips, receipts and \$401 in cash along with a "cage" used for the drawing.

Big Reservoir For City Water On Turner Hill

Survey and Tests Being Made for 50 to 75 Million Gallon Storage

A reservoir storing from 50,000,000 to 75,000,000 gallons may be built by the Salem water department on Turner hill at Turner.

City Manager J. L. Franzen said Thursday that a decision probably will be made by the first of the year as to whether the project is feasible, and if it is the city will immediately start moving toward the development.

Survey and tests are now being made at the location. If and when built the reservoir will lie in a horseshoe shape around the hill and be about 200 feet wide. If the ground formation is found suitable it could store, says the city manager, up to 75,000,000 gallons.

Use Detroit Dam A bigger water supply to the city of Salem has become a necessity. The present pipe line to Staytoh island can carry only 20,000,000 gallons a day. At the peak period last summer the city was using 28,000,000, which caused a heavy drain on the 10,000,000-gallon reservoir on Rural avenue.

Source of additional water for the Turner reservoir would be the Detroit reservoir, the city having been promised the necessary water rights by the army engineers. For the Turner storage the water would be carried from Detroit by the channel of the North Santiam river as far as Staytoh, and from there would be piped to Turner. (Concluded on Page 5, Column 6)

No Canadian Deals by Nehru

Vancouver, B.C., Nov. 3 (AP)—Prime Minister Nehru of India said today he has made no financial deals with the Canadian government and indicated that none had been completed yet with the United States.

At a press conference, he said it would be "convenient for us" to get needed capital goods and food for India, paying for at least part of it by credits from blocked sterling balances.

"Either country can help," he added. He refrained from saying specifically that he knows whether he will get that help.

Following the conference, the prime minister reviewed a colorful parade and attended a ceremony at the city hall.

At the meeting with the press he did not say how far he would go in collecting Britain's big debts to India in the form of imports from Canada, the United States and Britain herself.

Nehru told questioners India would oppose any effort from the outside to impose a settlement of conflict between Indo-Chinese communists and anti-communists. A settlement, he said, should be made by "the people themselves." The people should have the opportunity to decide their own fate.

His information was that the regime of the non-communist leader Bao Dai is "not a very successful one."

Hopes of Early End to Steel Strike Collapse

Cleveland, O., Nov. 3 (AP)—Striking CIO Steelworkers have upped the cost of settling their pension fights, dashing all hopes today that the Bethlehem pension agreement would bring a quick end to the 34-day steel strike.

There was no rush of steel companies to accept the Bethlehem settlement as a pattern. USW spokesmen were confident however that large independents would fall in line, one-by-one within a few days.

Chances for piece-meal settlements were good. Although the union has not heard from U. S. Steel Corp., which apparently is standing by and watching the maneuvering, a half-dozen other companies have contacted the union.

Executive board members of the CIO-United Steelworkers met with President Philip Murray last night to hear details of the Bethlehem settlement. They were told that it should be used as a basis for settling other steel strikes and that negotiators should use the employee benefits, not the cost to the companies, to gain uniformity of pension benefits in the industry.

The union's drive to bring the big independents into line apparently will pick up steam after the close of the CIO's 11th convention here Saturday. The union's strategy appears to be to wear Jones & Laughlin, Republic, Inland and Youngstown Sheet & Tube into the fold. USW officials figure that U. S. Steel would be forced into settlement or lose customers to the independents.



Japan Nearing Independence

Manila, Nov. 3 (AP)—Japan has moved closer toward independence in the last few weeks than at any time since the end of the war.

The trend gives added importance to the recent series of reports a formal peace treaty may be near.

Occupation headquarters in Tokyo now is in the process of turning over a wide range of local authority to the Japanese. The latest move was the announcement that private trade would be re-established on Dec. 1.

Equally important, perhaps, is the new eagerness of Japanese officials to take over control and assume responsibility. A year ago they refused several chances to gain more autonomy.

At the same time the Japanese are conspicuously anxious to please the United States. No one has explained completely why the coal production quota is being met when for more than three years the output of this vital commodity has lagged badly.

This suggests the Japanese have been told, or have decided, now is the time to put forward their best efforts for the big push to regain domestic power.

There is new emphasis on speed in this overall trend which can not be explained in terms of local development.

Right Wing Forces Control Bridges Union

San Francisco, Nov. 3 (AP)—Right wing forces have gained control of the executive board of one of Harry Bridge's largest local unions.

Continuing a trend set last week when four right wing business agents were elected by the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union in San Francisco, right wingers have captured all 13 executive board seats of warehouse local 6.

This local, claiming 18,000 members, has divisions in San Francisco, in Oakland, Crockett, Petaluma and Stockton.

Ease Bans on Tito's Supplies

Washington, Nov. 3 (AP)—The United States and Britain have eased their ban on the sale of commercial planes and aviation equipment to Yugoslavia. The first shipments, limited quantities of gasoline and lubricants, were cleared by the state department today.

Diplomatic officials, reporting the U.S.-British move just before the fuel and lubricants sale was announced, said it marks the latest step by the west to bolster Marshal Tito in his fight with Moscow and her eastern European allies.

The state and national defense departments are reported to have decided on the move as another of the "calculated risks" of the cold war.

The matter was agreed upon with the British. Then the two westerners decided to notify other western governments of their action in the hope that they will do the same.

One idea is to clear the way for an "airlift" to Yugoslavia if that rebel against Moscow domination of world communism should be cut off by guerrilla attack from normal transport.

Pilot Told He Killed 55 No Longer Wants to Live

Washington, Nov. 3 (AP)—Eric Rios Bridoux has been told that he killed 55 persons in Tuesday's air disaster here and he no longer wants to live, the Bolivian pilot's physicians said today.

The doctor, who asked that his name be withheld, said the pilot near death late last night. He took a turn for the worse today and has developed a lung congestion.

Although his tough body still is fighting on, rallying from the release, the 28-year-old Rios now seems to prefer death to recovery, the physician said.

Until yesterday afternoon the 28-year-old South American air ace did not know that his P-38 fighter on Tuesday had sent a packed eastern air transport crashing in history's worst civil aviation disaster—a disaster of which he is the sole survivor.

The strictest orders had been issued to keep the grim knowledge from him while doctors fought to save him from the effects of a back fracture and other severe injuries.

Rios knew his plane had hit something and that he had come to struggling in the water. But he was able to tell officials investigators and others little else. Civil aeronautics board officials hope to learn more from the mercifully drugged flyer when—and if—his condition improves.

When, rousing from his frequent blackouts, Rios would ask what happened to the plane he hit, doctors tried to turn his thoughts to something else. All visitors were ordered to do the same.

But yesterday afternoon one of them—perhaps it was a slip of the tongue—said the forbidden words.

Rios almost immediately began weeping. Last night he nearly died. Bolivian officials were hastily called to his bedside.

Today the flyer's personal physician learned what had caused the relapse. The Bolivian, whose condition had been promising before, had discarded his desire to survive.

Census Office Located Here

Salem will be the seat of one new office of the census bureau when the federal census is taken next year, it was reported Thursday from Washington. The other office will be in Astoria.

Existing offices in Oregon are in Portland, Eugene, Bend and La Grande.

The census bureau announced establishment of new field offices on the west coast in preparation for the 1950 census-taking.

Bureau spokesmen said they hoped the new offices would be set up by the end of January. Their staffs will consist of a supervisor, an assistant and three or four clerks in addition to the actual census takers.

Government Likely to Act In Big Strikes

Indiana Operators Reject Separate Peace Offer Made by Lewis

Washington, Nov. 3 (AP)—Reports that the government may soon step into the coal strike revived today with word that Indiana operators have refused separate peace talks with John L. Lewis.

One highly-placed official closely watching the steel-coal strike crisis said: "We can't let Lewis go much beyond this week-end."

He indicated that unless there is some progress toward settling the 46-day coal strike the government will invite Lewis and operators to Washington negotiations, probably some time next week.

Failure of such federal talks would put the coal problem up to President Truman. Up to now Mr. Truman has held that neither the coal nor steel strikes has reached the national emergency stage.

Rejected in Indiana The Indiana operators last night turned down a proposal of Gov. Henry Schricker of Indiana for a separate coal pact covering that state. Lewis had accepted the idea, saying he could submit any tentative offer to his union's policy committee at its meeting in Chicago Monday.

The Indiana operators discussed the idea and rejected it. Harvey Cartwright, secretary of the Indiana Coal Producers association, said: "The issues involved are national in character and cannot be reconciled to district negotiations."

This evident decision to stick to industry-wide bargaining was a blow to Lewis' strategy to make a separate deal with Indiana or Illinois mine operators in hopes the rest of the soft coal industry would go along. (Concluded on Page 5, Column 6)

Jail Pickets of Pineapple Ship

Portland, Nov. 3 (AP)—Fifteen CIO longshoremen, indicted in the Sept. 28 pineapple riot at The Dalles, were in jail today as police sought nine others missed in a night-long round-up.

Thirteen of the men spent the night in the Portland city jail and one, refusing to cross the state line, was jailed in Vancouver, Wash. The fifteenth man was arrested this morning.

State and city police, hampered by faulty addresses or by finding no one at home, continued the hunt for the other nine men named in secret grand jury indictments, resulting from waterfront violence that halted unloading of a pineapple barge at The Dalles. They started the roundup at midnight.

All were held under "fugitive" warrants from Wasco county. Bail was set at \$2,500 but offers by members of a longshore protest committee were rejected.

None of those arrested was a top officer in the Portland Longshore local, which picketed the unloading operation.



Visits Bolivian Pilot—Ambassador R. Martinez Vargas of Bolivia visits Erick Rios Bridoux, Bolivian pilot in an Alexandria, Va., hospital. Bridoux was the pilot of a fighter plane which collided with an airliner near Washington with a loss of 55 lives. Bridoux, told of the 55 dead, no longer wants to live. He has a broken vertebra, two broken ribs and lacerations of the face and scalp. (AP Wirephoto)

Pearson's Bill For Printing Paid by State

With a big grin on his round face, State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson announced today that the state had paid the \$160 bill for printing Pearson's statement of the duties of his office.

That is the bill which Governor Douglas McKay had refused to approve. It caused a quarrel between McKay and Pearson at last week's board of control meeting.

The claim was honored by Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry, who ruled that his office could pay it without approval of the board of control.

Pearson said today that if the state hadn't paid it, he wouldn't have paid it, either.

To Free Top Reds on Bail

New York, Nov. 3 (AP)—The U. S. court of appeals ruled today that the 11 top communists convicted of conspiracy may be released on bail pending appeal of their case.

The court ruled that seven could be released in \$20,000 bail each and four in \$30,000 bail apiece.

The government originally asked that their total bail be set at \$1,000,000.

Shortly after 11 a. m. three officials of the bail fund of the civil rights congress posted \$260,000 in negotiable 2½ percent U. S. treasury bonds in \$5,000 denominations. The civil rights congress has been listed by the U. S. attorney general's office as subversive.

Their release was delayed, however, when the U. S. attorney's office raised the question of whether the fines of \$10,000 imposed on each of the 11 should be paid today in addition to supplying bond.

An opinion handed down by Judges Learned Hand, Thomas W. Swan and Jerome N. Frank said that bail was being set because the government "conceded" that the appeal herein raises a "substantial question."

Bail of \$30,000 was set for Eugene Dennis, John B. Williamson, Jacob Stachel, and Irving Potash.

A \$20,000 bail was fixed for Robert G. Thompson, Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., Harry Winston, John Gates, Gilbert Green, Carl Winter and Gus Hall.

Previously the government asked \$100,000 bail each for Dennis, Potash, Stachel, Williamson, Hall, Green and Thompson. It recommended \$75,000 bail each for Davis, Winston, Gates and Winter.

Dutch Grant Amnesty To Political Prisoners

Batavia, Nov. 3 (AP)—The Dutch government today granted amnesty to "practically all political prisoners" in Indonesia, a government spokesman said, as a follow-up to the agreement signed yesterday between the Dutch and Indonesians.

He said several thousand will be affected.

At the same time the Dutch army commander in the islands told his troops they all could count on being home in The Netherlands by July, 1950. The

Ballentine to Get Sherman's Near East Post

Joint Chiefs of Staff Meet to Consider Future Navy Plans

Washington, Nov. 3 (AP)—Admiral Forrest P. Sherman moved swiftly today to tighten command by assigning Rear Admiral John J. Ballentine, Pacific war hero to his own old post in the Mediterranean.

Sherman, pulled out of command of the Sixth Task fleet in the Mediterranean to take over as chief of naval operations, was sworn in only yesterday after a shakeup growing out of the inter-service row over war roles.

Shortly after the announcement of Ballentine's assignment, Sherman attended his first meeting of the joint chiefs of staff where the quarrels over unification policy had centered. Bradley Presides

He was introduced to the other members of the joint chiefs by the chairman, Gen. Omar Bradley.

One member was absent. Gen. Hoyt Vandenberg, air force chief of staff, left last night for an inspection visit to Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

As CNO, Sherman succeeded Admiral Louis Denfeld, an outspoken backer of the admirals' coterie that had contended the navy was being frozen out in strategic decisions.

Ballentine will have the rank of vice admiral in the Mediterranean assignment. He has been serving on the general board, the navy's policy advisory group. (Concluded on Page 5, Column 8)

Truman Again Campaigning

Minneapolis, Nov. 3 (AP)—President Truman arrived here at 1 p. m. (CST) today by special train. He will take part in a "Truman Day" celebration in connection with observance of the Minnesota Territorial Centennial.

Aboard Truman Train, Enroute to St. Paul, Nov. 3 (AP)—President Truman, making his first rear platform talk since the election, told a crowd at Savannah, Ill., today he is trying his best to carry out democratic campaigns.

A crowd of several hundred turned out in the cold at 7:40 a. m. to greet the president aboard his old campaign train on the anniversary of his greatest political victory.

He described with him what he jokingly described as a "non-political, bi-partisan" speech for delivery at St. Paul, Minn., at 7:30 p. m. (PST) tonight.

His aides said it was a renewal of his blast at "reactionaries" and of his championship of the "fair deal" program for which he campaigned in 1948 and which he presented to the 81st congress last January.

And they emphasized he will send the program back to congress again in January and back to the voters in next year's congressional elections.

It was a year ago today—the result was long in doubt in the November 2 voting—that Mr. Truman received the news of Thomas E. Dewey's concession of defeat.

European Arms Negotiations On

Washington, Nov. 3 (AP)—The United States opened negotiations with eight western European allies today on agreements under which this country will furnish them \$1,000,000,000 worth of arms and military supplies.

Diplomats of each of the eight countries called at the state department in a day-long succession. Each received a copy of the agreement which the United States proposes his country should sign. There was no general conference bringing them all together.

Officials said the texts will not be made public until they are finally agreed on in detail.

Keep Bonn as Capital

Bonn, Germany, Nov. 3 (AP)—The West German Federal parliament today decided to keep the Rhineland city of Bonn as its capital. Bonn received 200 votes and its rival, Frankfurt, 176, in the secret vote.