

NO LOSSES TO HAIL THIS SUMMER

Two Pilots 'Protect' Medford From Hailstorms With Dry Ice

Medford, Ore., Nov. 8 (AP)—A couple of pilots, armed with dry ice pellets, reported today that they have apparently staved off damaging hailstorms during an entire summer season from a rich agricultural valley.

It is certain that the Rogue river valley of southern Oregon, which annually loses heavy pear crops to hail, had not one hailstorm this year.

The scientists cooperating in the weather control experiment couldn't be certain that it was the artificial work that did it. It might, of course, have been just a fluke in the weather.

But the results disclosed today by scientists and fruit packers, were encouraging enough to make them decide to go right ahead with their "stop the hail" scheme.

It was last May when fruit growers, working with the U. S. soil conservation service, irrigation districts, the Oregon State college experiment station, and the weather bureau, decided to try stopping the hail that had wrecked half of one company's crop in 1948.

Pilots Harvey Brandau and Eugene Kooser operated on the theory that hail comes from vertical stacking of cumulus clouds.

Each time that the cloud formations threatened to grow to dangerous heights, the pilots flew over, dropping dry ice pellets into the thunderheads and dispersing the high stack of clouds.

The one-summer experiment is not considered long enough to be conclusive. But it didn't hail once in the valley the pilots were protecting. It did hail in the adjacent, unprotected areas.

The fliers said they believed they had stopped eight definite hailstorms.

On September 8—when the worst clouds appeared—they spent seven and a half hours dropping their dry ice. It didn't hail there. But there were terrific hailstorms 12 miles off.

Now the experimenters are going to try something else. They want more irrigation water in the valley.

So the pilots will seed stratoform clouds during the winter, over areas which normally get very little snow. They hope to start snow falling.

The snow depths will then be measured by the official government snow surveyors, to determine whether more has fallen on the seeded areas than on adjacent regions.

The fruit industry and irrigation districts, who are helping finance the project, envision "limitless" possibilities. If even 2000 more acre-feet of water could be obtained for irrigation, they say, it would far more than repay the investment.

Cooperating in the experiments are the Rogue River Valley Traffic association; the Medford, Talent and Rogue River irrigation districts; Oregon State college experiment station; the irrigation division of the soil conservation service, and the weather bureau.

Valiant Is the Word For Stricken Boy

St. Paul (AP)—A 4-H club calf that wasn't good enough for the state junior livestock show and a club boy stricken with tuberculosis is the story behind a \$500 gift to Gillette State Hospital for Crippled Children.

Robert Wright, 14, of Borup, Minn., bought a beef calf last fall to be fattened for competition at the show. Last January, Robert went to the Gillette hospital with tuberculosis and he's been there ever since.

Robert's parents didn't forget the calf and saw that it got the right feed and that 4-H records were kept.

When the show finally started, however, the calf was unable to make the grade. Only nine calves could go from Clay County and Robert's placed tenth.

Clay County 4-H clubs heard the story and chipped in to buy the animal for \$500.

Robert gave the money to the hospital for crippled children.

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PUZZLER TO OBSERVERS:

Dewey 'Team' Is Still Loyal; Will He Try to Run Again?

By ROBERT M. MONAHAN

Albany, N. Y. (AP)—The reluctance of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's "bright young men" to leave his official family has become one of the most engrossing topics in New York politics.

It means many things to many people. When Dewey was defeated for the presidency in 1948, political observers were unanimous in predicting dissolution of the "team" that helped make him a national figure.

But a year has passed and, except for resignations because of age or pressing personal reasons, the team is still intact. Whether it is looking forward to 1950 or 1952 is a closely-guarded secret in the governor's cabinet.

Whether he will seek another term as New York's chief executive a year hence is a question that has split watchers for political portents.

Some people close to Dewey believe he will run again, still nursing a secret hope for a third Republican presidential nomination in 1952.

Another group believes he is ready to quit politics at the end of his present term and enter private law practice in New York City. Both groups agree that he could make a fortune at law in a few years.

The puzzler is why, if Dewey is through politically, are so many high-caliber men and women continuing to cast their lot with the governor in victory or defeat. Some of his top-notch officials could triple their state salaries in private industry.

One answer may be simply loyalty, a quality notable in Dewey aides since he started his public career some 15 years ago. Another may be that state salaries, however inadequate are more depression-proof than those of private industry.

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Detroit Forms Eagles' Aerie

Detroit—The institution meeting of the Eagles auxiliary of Santiam Aerie 2745 FOE was held in the grade school gym, with 66 charter signers and 48 initiated members. William Loy, state president of FOE of Bend was the instituting officer.

With him was his wife, Mrs. Loy, state auxiliary chaplain. Aura Herton, Madame president of Bend auxiliary and Louise Nicholson, captain of Bend drill team were also present.

Officers installed were Past Madame President Eva Fowler, Detroit; president, Lillian E. Ingalls, Detroit; vice president, Warnell L. Smith, Detroit; secretary, Geraldine Howard, Detroit; treasurer Lois White, Detroit; chaplain Essie Viola Smith, Detroit; conductor, Christian Uter, Idanha; inner guard, Lillian Gescher, 3-C camp; outer guard, Esteline Holbert, Detroit; Trustees, Melba G. Delleira, Anna Anderson and Eva DeBolt, all of Idanha. Investigating committee, chairman, Lola B. Hennes of Gates, Mary Wilson and Margaret Rasmick, both of Detroit. Entertainment committee were Esther Grasse, Detroit; Myrtle Gestson, Idanha; Genevieve Bangs, Detroit. Membership campaigns, Inez Haun, Gates, Veldera Maliszewski, Detroit, Lillian Gescher, Idanha.

Following the installation, a luncheon was served at the Ladies auxiliary hall at the 3-C camp.

The newly formed Eagles auxiliary held its first social venture on in the auxiliary hall at the 3-C camp. Pinocle was the order of the evening. Mrs. Emma Rhodes won first prize and Melba Delleira won second prize. Refreshments were served.

Deportation Faces 237 Mexicans in N.W.

Seattle, Nov. 8 (AP)—Deportation of some 237 Mexican citizens from the northwest immigration district will get under way tomorrow.

District Director John P. Boyd said eight Mexicans will leave Seattle by train. Four others will join them in Portland en route to Los Angeles. From Weiser, Ida., 225 more will be taken by train to El Paso, Tex.

Most of them are agricultural workers who slipped across the Rio Grande and headed toward the northwest for the harvest season. With the harvests over, most have turned themselves into the immigration service for a free trip home with full intention of repeating the whole procedure next year, Boyd said.

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Mystified—Wilford Platt, whose wife hired two men to kill him because he was too ardent a lover, relaxes over a cup of coffee in his Port Orchard, Wash., home. Although somewhat mystified, Platt said he still loved her "regardless." He has been unable to work since breaking his arm several weeks ago. (Acme Telephoto)

Postpone Trial Of Plotting Wife

Port Orchard, Nov. 8 (AP)—The arraignment of a young Bremerton housewife, accused of plotting the death of her husband because, she said, he was too persistent in his love-making, was postponed today by Kitsap County Superior Judge H. G. Sutton.

Attorney Roy R. Greenwood asked the court for a week's postponement before entering a plea for the woman, Mrs. Margaret Platt, who is charged with attempted murder.

Greenwood challenged the sufficiency of the charges against the comely 31-year-old brunette as "constituting no crime." He will argue his motion for dismissal of the charges Monday.

Mrs. Platt had signed a statement that she made a down payment of \$324 to a former private detective, Hollis D. Scott, 23, as earnest money on a later abandoned \$1000 agreement for the murder of her husband, Wilford Platt, 34-year-old ex-shipyard worker.

In his arraignment today, Scott pleaded innocent to charges of grand larceny by embezzlement. He had told Prosecutor James Munro that he had no intention of following through on the death plan.

Sent to Hospital For Observation

George William Hotchkiss, Jr., and Robert Donald Hotchkiss, twins, were sent to the state hospital for 30 days observation by Judge George R. Duncan Monday after pleading guilty to burglarizing a Salem home. Their take was \$32.35.

Gerald Edward Wornstaff was continued to November 14 for sentence on a non-support charge and sentence was suspended for Delbert Willis Turndige on a similar charge conditioned on his paying \$214 alleged due as back support money for his wife and child. He was put on probation for 2425.

James Elmer Armstrong, 2 years Hazel avenue, was placed on probation for a year after he received a year jail sentence which was suspended. He was charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The neck of a giraffe, although exceedingly long, contains only seven bones, the same number as are in the necks of most other mammals.



Named—Rear Adm. Lynde Deputy McCormick (above) was picked by Adm. Forrest P. Sherman to be his new vice chief of naval operations. The appointment will be made effective next spring. He is now commander of the twelfth naval district with headquarters at San Francisco. (AP Wirephoto)

Junior Garden Club Staging Contests

Dayton—Mrs. Anna Sion and Mrs. Lynn Williams, representatives from the Dayton Junior Garden club will meet November 16, at 3 o'clock at the Dayton grade school lunch room, with the first six grade pupils.

The Junior Garden club is sponsoring a "bird house" and "bird feeders" contest. This meeting is for the discussion of the contest, so it may get under way before the holiday rush. This Junior club was organized last spring.

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DREAM OF SPLENDOR DASHED

Beggar Keeps Wife in Luxury Until Racket Is Discovered

Cairo, Egypt (AP)—The Bey kept her in furs, Persian carpets and rare curios, but she divorced him because he was a beggar. That is the amazing story of a Prince Charming who posed as a pauper and filled his coffers with the alms he received every day in the streets of Cairo. He lived in great luxury, but spent his days whining about his misery.

The Cairo police unfolded the strange tale of the beggar Bey.

It started some six months ago when a handsome young man entered the home of a well-to-do widow and asked her for the hand of her beautiful young daughter.

His clothes, appearance, language and manners spoke of his high birth and comfortable living. The delighted woman accepted.

The wedding was one of the most elaborate to be seen. This prince charming who had appeared from the skies spent lavishly that day.

The numerous guests were amazed at the food, the music and the dancers he brought for the occasion. The royal feast went on until the early hours of the morning and the blushing bride was the envy of all her neighbors.

Our hero carried his bride over the threshold of a richly furnished house and the girl pinched herself to make sure she was not dreaming. Persian carpets covered the floors, rare curios rested on shelves, paintings by old masters hung on tapestried walls and in the corner stood a piano.

For six happy months the bride lived in splendor. Her wishes were his commands, her requests his pleasure to perform. Hardly a day passed without his getting her some new gift.

He was no playboy, either. Each day he would leave the house early in the morning and return, exhausted, late at night. The business of supervising

lands and buildings is tiring him out, she thought. One day he left the house and failed to return. She fretted and worried, until one week later the police summoned her. "Your husband has been arrested," they informed her. "Why? Had he committed a crime, engaged in politics?" "No," replied the sergeant. "He was a beggar."

But he had been a clever beggar. One day he posed as a Palestinian refugee, the next as a jobless student thrown out because of his political convictions. People pitied him and gave him money. He had bought four buildings in Cairo, a farm and kept his wife happy. The beggar Bey's bride divorced him.



Fiance Ill—Dropping all affairs of state, Vice President Alben Barkley arrives at St. Luke's hospital in St. Louis, Mo., to visit the bedside of his fiance, Mrs. Carleton S. Hadley, who is ill with the flu. They are to be married Nov. 18. (Acme Telephoto)

TODAY'S BUSINESS MIRROR

Air Line Tourist Rates Is Issue at Mexico Conference

New York (AP)—A move to bring trans-Atlantic air travel to the masses through tourist rates splits delegations to the air rate conference opening tomorrow in Mexico City. The issue: Whether air coach service to Europe would bring out a new class of American tourist, or just divert passenger traffic from the more profitable first class planes.

The plan—say, \$225 to London, instead of the present sum of \$350—also finds two of Washington's alphabetical agencies on opposite sides of the fence. ECA would like to see it, but CAB says the time is not yet ripe.

CAB—the Civil Aeronautics board—rides herd on the American air carriers, and can be expected to have its way. And so the international air transport association, meeting in Mexico to set rates for the coming year, may put the low-priced fair plan over until next year. Its proponents, however, swear that it will be kept alive.

Some officials of ECA—the Economic Cooperation Administration—favor the idea because lower rates might mean more American tourists spending dollars in dollar-hungry Europe, where ECA now bears the load.

CAB worries about the financial prospects of the nation's airlines, some of which have had it pretty rough since the war. Getting the necessary equipment for the tourist service, might make air coach plans too expensive for some of the lines.

The cheap fare issue also splits the airlines. Pan American Airways has been drumming for it for a year. Trans World Airline opposes the tourist service as financially unsound. The third U. S. flag air carrier on the Atlantic route, American Overseas Airline, says nothing—after all, its sale to Pan American is pending. Most foreign air carriers flying the Atlantic are against lower fares. Their governments want them to gather in every Yankee dollar possible.

Pan American has tried to convince CAB that lowered fares would mean more air travel—the American principle of "smaller profits on low-priced units adding up to big totals." Sixty-eight IATA members re-

presenting leading air carriers of the world in the international field, meet in Mexico City to tackle all the rate problems. The plan to bring the tourist coach to the Atlantic air lanes probably will go over to next year's meeting, but its advocates still think that it's a coming thing—Manana.

GM Dividend \$4.25 Due Soon

New York, Nov. 8 (AP)—General Motors Corp., have declared a year end dividend of \$4.25, payable Dec. 10 to holders of record Nov. 17.

This will bring payments for the year to \$8, against \$4.50 in 1948.

In March this year General Motors paid \$1.25, continuing the rate in the June and September quarters.

Last year the company made payments of 75 cents each in March and June. It raised the dividend to \$1 in September and then paid a year end of \$2 in December.

The national advisory cancer council said the funds will be used for further training of physicians and technicians in diagnosis of cancer in exfoliated material from various body sources.

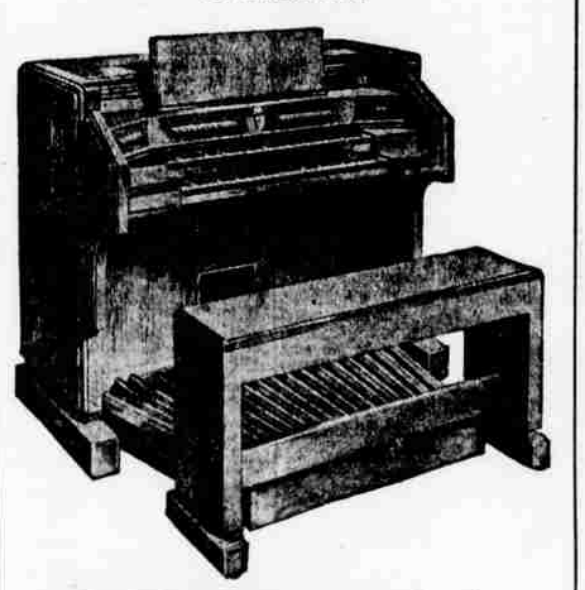
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