

MOSTLY CLOUDY TONIGHT, Tuesday, occasional showers; cooler temperatures tonight. Lowest tonight, 36; highest Tuesday, 52.

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Fugitives from Insane Ward Seen, Portland

Police Report Hospital Escapees Attempted To Steal Car

Portland, Ore., Dec. 5 (AP)—Police said today that two criminally insane fugitives from the Oregon state hospital were reported seen attempting to steal a car in a southeast Portland district.

Officers said the men were seen by a relative of Marion Watson, one of the deranged escapees. The witness said he also was certain another man with Watson was the other fugitive, Robert Melvin Burr.

Broke Ignition Lock

The pair was trying to steal a car belonging to William J. Faraham, Portland. Detectives said the two men broke into the car through a rear window, broke off the ignition lock and attempted to start the engine.

The man identified as Watson was wearing dark clothes and his companion wore a mackinaw and hat.

The relative said he was on the porch of his home and heard a voice he identified as Watson's saying, "That's the house." The two fled afoot while the relative telephoned police.

Salem Area Checked

State police made a week-end check of Salem area cemeteries after hearing from two inmates who broke loose at the same time but were captured hours later, that Marion Watson, 21, and Robert Burr, 23, planned to hide out in graveyards until the search subsided.

After a thorough inspection of cemeteries in this area, police expressed doubt that the pair still at large had hidden out in a graveyard. They said that the cold, stormy weather of the last two nights made the idea doubly doubtful.

Officers expressed belief that the two are in the Willamette valley area, probably somewhere between here and Portland. They said James W. Cameron, 25, and Walter Chamberlain, 19, who were recaptured, hinted that the other two planned to hide out in the Willamette valley for several days before trying to get out of Oregon. They were the ones who said Watson and Burr had indicated their intention to hide in cemeteries.

One Killed, 7 Injured

One person was killed and seven brought to the hospital here in two accidents near Monmouth over the week-end.

Dead is Henry Sullivan, 83, Monmouth route 1, and injured are Lyle Inman, 19, and L. L. Cooper, 23, both of Falls City, who received broken legs; Melvin M. Ferguson, 23, Dallas route 2; Mary Lewis, 18, and Donald Blakeslee, 18, both of Vancouver, Wash.; Addis Gutman, Jr., 19, Seattle, all of whom were released after treatment and Mildred Wille 18, Vancouver, who received pelvic fractures, concussion, cuts and bruises.

Sullivan was killed instantly shortly after 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon when struck by an automobile driven by Mrs. Wanda O. Ward, Independence route 1, as he crossed the highway near his home three miles south of Monmouth.

Witnesses told Officer E. H. Graber, Monmouth, that Sullivan was thrown over the hood of the Ward automobile. Mr. Ward was not held but Polk county authorities are making a thorough investigation of the fatal accident. Sullivan's body was taken to the Henkle and Bollman funeral home in Dallas.

Four of the young people injured in the second accident were students at Linfield college at McMinnville. The accident occurred in the fog on the highway near Monmouth early Sunday. Both vehicles, which met head on, were nearly demolished, according to state police.

Pacific Bulb Growers Meet

Eugene, Dec. 5 (AP)—The Pacific Bulb Growers Assn., will have its annual meeting in Eugene tomorrow with about 50 delegates expected to attend, according to C. W. Wester, Eugene, in charge of arrangements. E. M. Blenis, Leaburg, is now president of the association, and C. W. Walker, Albany, is secretary.

Right-to-Work Law Upheld By High Court

Arkansas Statute Makes It a Crime to Keep Worker Off Job

Washington, Dec. 5 (AP)—The supreme court today upheld an Arkansas "right to work" law which makes it a crime to use force or threats to keep a worker from any lawful job.

In another decision, the Tribunal ruled 6-2 that the old Wagner act permitted the firing of workers who tried—despite a closed shop contract—to have their union replaced by a rival labor organization.

The Taft-Hartley act flatly bans such discharges.

In other actions today the court:

Rules of Courts Martial

1. Agreed to rule on the power of American civil courts to overturn courts martial convictions. The tribunal will review a decision by the U. S. circuit court at New Orleans that Eugene Preston Brown, an American soldier convicted of murder by an army court in Germany, should be freed. The lower court held that Brown's courts-martial was so "replete with highly prejudicial errors and irregularities" that he did not get a fair trial "even under military law."

Court to Hear Tidelands Case

Washington, Dec. 5 (AP)—The supreme court agreed today to hear arguments in two suits in which the federal government is trying to get possession of oil-bearing tidelands off the coasts of Texas and Louisiana.

The court said it will hear arguments on Monday, February 6.

In taking this step the court in effect rejected pleas by the two states that the suits be thrown out immediately.

The tribunal also in effect denied a government request that it decide the suit against Louisiana at once, on the basis of evidence and pleadings now available to the justices.

The government said Texas may have certain special defenses growing out of the circumstances of its admission to the union. It suggested the court hear the defenses before giving judgment in the case against Texas.

By its action today, the court in effect turned down a Louisiana request that the suit against it, if not dismissed, be decided by a jury trial—a rare occurrence in supreme court history.

Bonuses Paid

New York, Dec. 5 (AP)—The publishing firm of Walter J. Black, Inc., paid \$10,110 in bonuses to 62 clerical employees today for getting to work on time.

Red Cross Program Told by Regional Chiefs

In going before the American people next March 1 to launch its fund campaign for \$87,000,000, the American Red Cross does so with the knowledge it has cut its budget program \$6,000,000 for the new year, and presents its appeal following one of the most thorough budgetary studies in its history, said Robert F. Shea, deputy manager, area of office, in addressing a statewide meeting of Red Cross chapter officials in Salem Monday.

Sessions for the conference were in the American Legion club for the one day only.

The cut in the budgeted program was brought about through reduction in staff and of employing new methods to carry on the work of the organization, Mr. Shea told the group.

Earl E. Dombross, regional director, and Winthrop H. Swett, area director for fund raising, were other officials attending the statewide conference. The three officials are from the area office in San Francisco.

Mr. Shea spent much of his time on the program discussing the 1950-51 program of work for the Red Cross. Services to the armed forces, budgeted at \$18,000,000, and the national blood program, with a budget of \$7,



Conference of Older Boys Ends

By DAVID BLACKMER

The finale of the 28th annual Older Boys' conference took place Saturday at the Salem YMCA and Ed Newell, newly elected president, presided.

Al Loucks summarized the conference activities Saturday night during the final banquet.

Dr. U. G. Dubach's keynote speech Friday night proved to be the highlight of the conference. Saturday's panel of experts discussion led by Dr. Dubach was also considered a high point by the delegates. Following the panel the individual guidance panel and forum were held where each delegate could present his own individual problems to the speaker of his choice.

Thirty members of the conference toured Oregon state penitentiary and capitol buildings during the recreation period Saturday.

Among the 20 resolutions made by the conference resolution committee was that Dr. U. G. Dubach be the keynote speaker next year.

Other conference officers elected Saturday were Gene Rutherford, McMinnville, vice president, and Ron Morgan, Detroit, secretary.

Alaskan Radar Work Speeded

Washington, Dec. 5 (AP)—The air force said today it has cancelled or cut other projects in order to provide \$50,000,000 to speed work on the U. S.-Alaskan radar warning system.

General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, chief of staff, made the announcement. He did not disclose what other approved projects had been eliminated or curtailed.

Air force officials said congress authorized an overall expenditure of \$85,500,000 for construction of the defense network. But, they said, the lawmakers stipulated that funds for the first phase must be diverted from money already appropriated for other air force activities.

Congress also provided that expenditures on the radar system should not exceed \$50,000,000 during the fiscal year ending next June 30.

Under present plans, the air force announcement said, \$18,800,000 is being used for construction in the United States while the remaining \$31,200,000 is being devoted to Alaska.

Question Stability of Santiam Dike Work

By DON UPJOHN

Fears are expressed as to the vulnerability of the dike work done by a volunteer flood control project of farmers at the confluence of the north and south forks of the Santiam river this year in a letter from Lewis A. Pick, chief of army engineers, to Congressman Walter Norblad. A copy of the letter has been forwarded to the Marion county court by the congressman. It is in reply to letters sent earlier in the year to Norblad by County Judge Murphy and Ronald C. Glover seeking federal aid for the project.

The major General Pick sights that the eventual answer to the Santiam flood problem lies in upstream reservoirs to control the flow of the streams. He says this will greatly reduce the maximum flow as well as the number of required closure of sloughs and overflow water courses to insure that the control releases from the reservoirs will not inundate the lands.

However, he says, further action by the corps of engineers toward recommended improvements on the Santiam river basin will be dependent on authorization of funds by congress.

As to the voluntary reventment work done by farmers in the area he says "it is extremely doubtful that material flood control benefits could be derived from such work if completed prior to the provision of upstream reservoirs." He says they would, "at best, provide only a partial solution of their problem and could very well be obliterated by the next following freshet unless protected by expensive protective works." He says the engineers do not have the necessary authority to undertake channel improvements and levee construction as desired by the local interests along the north and south forks. He further says the local interests were fully informed of the opinion of the district engineer, "which raised serious doubt as to the effectiveness of their work."

"They elected, however, to continue with their plans by soliciting funds from the soil and conservation service, from Marion and Linn counties, and by personal assessments," he adds.

The plans of local interests for flood protection included about two miles of straightening along the North Santiam utilizing large quantities of excavated materials to construct levees or dikes stabilized by riprap and on the South Santiam a bar removal project at about five locations with some attendant levee and riprap work.

The Landszeitung said the new estimate was given by a Soviet zone fire chief who fled to West Germany. The British-licensed Berlin Telegram last week said the dead numbered several hundred, then boosted the total to 2,000.

The Luenburger newspaper said the fire chief fled to Fallersleben in the British zone yesterday rather than obey orders to take a job as a fire guard at the Johanngeorgenstadt mine.

Season's Heaviest Snow in Cascades

Last night's storm brought the heaviest snow of the season to mountain passes, and the state highway commission warned motorists to carry chains in all passes.

The 9 a.m. report: Government Camp—snowing hard, packed snow, 4 inches new snow. Warm Springs—snowing hard, packed snow, 5 inches new snow. Santiam junction—snowing hard, packed snow, 12 inches new snow. Santiam pass—snowing hard, packed snow. Willamette pass—snowing lightly. Packed snow, 3 inches new snow.

3700 Died in Fire At Uranium Mine

Frankfurt, Germany, Dec. 5 (AP)—The Luenburger Landeszeitung declared today that 3,700 persons died in a uranium mine fire in the Soviet occupation zone on November 24. This is the highest figure yet published, the previous high being 2,000. The Russians say only one man perished.

Christmas Cards No Longer Go for Cent-and-a-Half

Better stock up on a supply of 2-cent stamps. Or better still make it stamps of the 3-cent denomination.

For, under regulations adopted during the past year, unsealed Christmas cards will no longer be handled for the old rate of 1 1/2 cents. Instead a 2-cent stamp must be affixed to secure transportation.

Jordan Testifies Found Atom Material Bound for Russia

Evacuation of New Chinese Capital Begun

Hong Kong, Dec. 5 (AP)—Evacuation of the new Chinese nationalist capital at Chengtu, 170 miles northwest of Red occupied Chungking, apparently began today.

A special dispatch to the newspaper Sing Tao Man Po said government officials assembled at the Chengtu airport at 2 a.m. (Chengtu time) for air transport to Formosa, island fortress 100 miles off the south Central China coast.

Planes belonging to retired U. S. Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault have been chartered by the nationalist government for the airlift, the report said.

Move on Chengtu

Communist troops of Gen. Liu Po-Cheng rolled on toward Chengtu after taking Chungking, the provisional capital only last Wednesday, Chengtu became the nationalist capital then.

Reports to Sing Tao Man Po said the Reds were making good progress toward Chengtu, which lies in a basin a few miles from the Sikang province border.

Nationalist Gen. Hu Taung-Nan hurriedly had brought up troops for the defense of Chengtu. Defense lines were established 30 and 50 miles outside of the provisional capital.

This rapid development in the Chinese civil war came only a few hours after Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, nationalist leader, said the government would fight against the communists despite defeat on all sides.

Chinese Drop Demands on U N

Lake Success, Dec. 5 (AP)—Nationalist China today dropped its foredoomed demands for United Nations action to call now for general non-recognition of the Chinese Red regime.

China's Chief Delegate T. F. Tsiang told the General Assembly's 59-nation political committee he would accept a new Latin American compromise proposal that the whole Chinese problem be shunted to the year-around little assembly for "continuous examination and study."

The face-saving proposal was submitted by Cuba, Ecuador and Peru after a week-end recess requested by Tsiang Friday when the Chinese delegation faced certain defeat on its own proposal.

Tsiang said at that time he was expecting new instructions from his government.

U. S. Ambassador-at-Large Philip C. Jessup refused to go along on the Latin American proposal.



Gift of Atom Secrets Told

George Racey Jordan (above), former army air force major, disclosed on a radio interview that under instructions from the late White House advisor, Harry Hopkins, he cleared for shipment to Russia in 1944 two cargos listed as Uranium. He also charged that Soviet agents carried suitcases full of secret state department documents to Russia.

Czech Bishops Again Defy Reds

Prague, Dec. 5 (AP)—Czechoslovakia's Roman Catholic bishops have expressed new defiance of the communist government's church control laws. They warned a religious fight may result if the government does not modify its stand.

The bishops announced yesterday they could not submit to laws which they asserted violate the laws of God and destroy religious freedom.

In a 2,200 word letter to the government, dated November 17 and made public yesterday, the bishops asked the communist regime to reconsider the new church control law of November 1 and decrees issued under it "and to revise them so as to be in agreement with the constitution of the church."

The bishops said the government would be responsible for any "religious fight" that might arise.

Declaring that Prime Minister Antonin Zapotocky had bluntly rejected all requests for church law revisions with "undisguised threats," the bishops said: "... in this country of the holy martyrs . . . there are enough people and priests who are willing, together with their bishops, to sacrifice everything for the right of God, the right of the church and for a true freedom in religious life."

Portland Man Drowns

Portland, Dec. 5 (AP)—L. A. Sharpe, Portland, drowned Saturday in the Willamette river when he tumbled from a catwalk along the northeast city waterfront.

600 Petition County For New Silverton Road

Dr. P. A. Loar, Silverton champion of the proposed new route for the federal aid improvement of the Silverton road from Steffen's corners into Silverton, dumping into the laps of county court members Monday petitions carrying over 600 names urging selection of that route as against the realignment of the present route.

The petitions declare that the road as at present located cannot be widened to conform to the portion already completed without encroaching on the Silverton cemetery and disturbing a large number of graves and that to by-pass this obstacle would push the cost equal or nearly equal to that of the new road. The petitions further state that the new route is coordinated with the proposed Cascade highway which will provide for the eastern side of the valley with a primary highway from Portland to Springfield and connecting with the North Santiam highway provide a shorter route from the Willamette valley to the east. Also it is pointed out that the bridge to be built over Silver Creek will become an integral part of the Cascade highway, eliminating a duplication of cost and, says the petition, greatly advancing the creation of the Cascade highway.

County Judge Grant Murphy told Dr. Loar that in the early stages of the proceedings the county court had been friendly to the new route as it offered an overpass as well as the seemingly logical connection with the Cascade highway. But, he said, conditions have changed and he has been advised no overpass will be built because of change in the traffic over the railway. He also said that late developments as to the Cascade highway may change the conditions as to the connection with the Silverton road. He didn't say the court was definitely set for or against either route, but did say the changed conditions left it more uncertain. "We're in no position as yet to say which route should be used," he said.

Sen. Hitchcock to Speak

Portland, Dec. 5—State Senator Phillip Hitchcock, Klamath Falls, is the principal speaker scheduled for tomorrow's opening of the Republican Women's Federation convention here.

White House Note Signed by H H in Shipment

Washington, Dec. 5 (AP)—George Racey Jordan testified today that two suitcases of Panama Canal maps as well as atomic materials were among the mysterious wartime shipments that went to Russia in lend-lease planes.

In a public hearing, the former air force major repeated to congressional investigators the story he told on the radio last week:

"That he found some 'Oak Ridge' material in a suitcase bound for Russia and also a White House note signed 'H.H.' saying 'had a hell of a time getting these away from Groves.'"

And that the late Harry Hopkins, adviser to President Roosevelt, telephoned him hurry-up orders to expedite the Russian shipments, moving by air from Great Falls, Mont., where Jordan was stationed.

Testifies from Notes

Jordan testified from notes he said he made in 1943 and 1944. One note said: "Panama Canal commission maps." Jordan said there were a "couple of suitcases" of them.

Jordan was before the house un-American activities committee for expansion of the story he told last week on the radio.

Jordan said he examined the suitcase sometime during the winter of 1943-44.

Addressed to Mikoyen

The note signed "H. H." he said, was on White House stationery and he said he thinks it was addressed to a Mr. Mikoyen, whom he was told was "one of two or three of the most important men in Russia."

Oakridge then was a major point at which the atomic bomb was developed.

The head of the atomic project was Gen. Leslie Groves.

Deny Rehearing To Taxi Driver

Circuit Judge George R. Duncan Monday denied the plea of attorneys for Troy Crabtree to have his case remanded to district court for a further preliminary hearing into a rape charge. Crabtree allegedly was involved with the same minor girl who lodged charges against numerous ex-taxicab drivers and others.

The request of Crabtree for additional hearing in district court was based on allegations that the girl falsified her testimony there and particularly as to her name, it being alleged she at first gave a name other than her true one.

Crabtree was bound over to the grand jury to answer to the charge.

Reginald Williams, appearing before Judge Duncan on behalf of Crabtree, averred that the alleged falsification of name by the complaining witnesses involved the defendant's substantive rights and that he was entitled to make further cross-examination.

Circuit Judge Duncan said he doubted that his court has any jurisdiction to send the case back to district court. In the first place, he said, the matter wasn't in his court. The proceedings from district court were in the hands of the grand jury, not his court. In addition, he said in his opinion the proper place to ask for a new hearing would be in district court, not in circuit court which even as yet, has no connection with the proceedings.

Attorney Williams stated, as far as that is concerned, the district court has lost its jurisdiction, as it has forwarded the matter up to the grand jury. And apparently that is where the next move will be had.