

THE WEATHER HERE

PARTLY CLOUDY TONIGHT and Thursday. Little change in temperature. Lowest tonight, 30; highest Thursday, 50.

Maximum yesterday, 41; minimum today, 28. Total 24-hour precipitation: 0; for month: 1.10; normal: 1.37. Season precipitation: 10.64; normal: 12.02. River height: 2.3 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

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Court Refuses Order to Stop Idanha Vote

Kimmell for Second Time Denies Injunction Sought by Vickers

By DON UPJOHN Circuit Judge Rex Kimmell for a second time has declined to use the injunctive process to stop an election December 9 on the question of incorporation of Idanha.

He sustains the general demurrer to the complaint in the second case on the ground the complaint fails to state sufficient facts to constitute a cause of suit.

This was done in the second case. The court softens criticism poured onto the district attorney at the hearing because he appeared as defense counsel in the first case and as plaintiff in the second by holding that the case was properly brought by the district attorney in the name of the state of Oregon.

Fail to Show Fraud However, he holds as to the complaint itself it fails to show there was either fraud or illegality used when the county court set the date for the Idanha election four days ahead of a similar election for the incorporation of Detroit when petitions for the Detroit election had been filed earlier than those for the Idanha balloting.

He neither approved or disapproved the action of the county court in setting the election date. But, in effect, the court held that the action in setting the election dates was a ministerial function of the county court, that it exercised it within the limits prescribed by law, without fraud, and it is not within the province of the circuit court under such circumstances to exercise its injunctive powers.

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Anniversary of Pearl Harbor

Eight years ago today, a day to remember, a day that was to live in infamy.

The Japanese, whose naval fliers dealt the surprise blow at Pearl Harbor, however, weren't remembering. Nothing was done in Japan on this day to remind them.

Instead, the Japanese were worrying about a "day" of their own—perhaps a "Tokyo day." Many among them fear the cold war will turn hot. That, they believe, would inevitably involve Japan.

Japan never forgets the proximity of Russia. Now Russia says it has added atomic weapons to its arsenal. That makes Japan shiver.

In the Philippines to the south, hatred of Japan remains still strong. Filipinos cannot so soon forget the iron reign of the Japanese conqueror.

The hostility is so great that the Philippines foreign office is said to have served notice on General MacArthur it could not guarantee the safety of a proposed Japanese trade mission.

The only observance of the day in the Pacific was at Pearl Harbor itself.

It was a simple service, held at the sad, rusting monument to the day that thrust the United States into the worst war in history.

That monument is the superstructure of the once-proud battleship Arizona. It pokes from the water of the naval anchorage.

Woodburn Youth Fined for Liquor

A 19-year-old Woodburn youth, Eddie E. Kahut, was fined \$25 in police court Wednesday morning for illegal possession of liquor.

Two 16-year-old girls, one from Salem and the other from Mt. Angel, who were arrested with Kahut pleaded innocent to the same charge and were released on \$25 bail each.

The trio was found in a car.

County Health Center in Line For Federal Aid

Expect to Be Top On Priority List for Match Money

County Commissioner Ed Rogers and Dr. W. J. Stone, head of the county health department conferred this week in Portland with representatives of the United States public health department in regard to a proposed health center unit for Marion county.

The plan is to establish such a unit on land to be purchased from the state on D street, provided voters of the county give their approval to the county's share of the necessary funds at the primary election in May.

Local officials returned with some tentative plans of such units as recommended by the public health service.

On Priority List They also ascertained that this health center may be on top of the priority list for match money from federal appropriations as it is the only health center unit, so far as known, now being discussed as a possibility in the state.

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Need of Imports Stressed by NAM

New York, Dec. 7 (AP)—The United States must balance its exports and imports in jig time or lose the objectives gained through spending billions of dollars for foreign aid, the National Association of Manufacturers was told today.

Curtis E. Calder, chairman of Electric Bond and Share Co., a public utility holding company, said in a prepared address that he believed the United States will be forced to discontinue large scale foreign aid after 1952.

He said it is obvious "we cannot continue, indefinitely, to pour our national wealth and substance in unrequited exports."

And, he added, a workable solution toward closing the foreign trade gap must be found before the European recovery program is terminated.

Unless the problem is solved, he said, the United States will be faced with the disquieting alternative of continuing foreign aid or of losing most of what it has ventured in its post-war program.

The solution most compatible with the role of the United States as a creditor nation, he said, is expansion of imports.

Calder spoke at the opening of the NAM's 50th annual congress of American Industry.

Thief in Night Robs Japanese Palace

Tokyo, Dec. 7 (AP)—Eight years ago Emperor Hirohito was considered sacrosanct by the Japanese.

Today he awakened 150,000 yen (\$4,166) poorer.

A thief, who no longer considered the emperor sacred, stole the money from the imperial household account.

Feather Trail Leads To Chicken Thieves Arrest

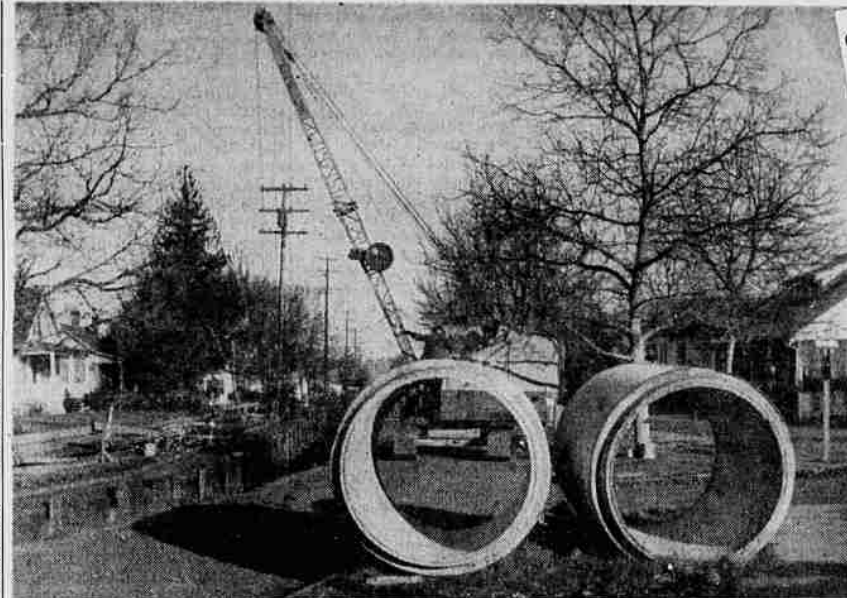
A trail of chicken feathers from moulting hens provided state police with clues which led them to an apparent solution of the theft of a flock of 21 birds from a farm near Marion.

Three men and two women—the alleged chicken thieves—were arrested Tuesday night by state officers on a complaint prepared by District Attorney E. O. Stader charging them with burglary, not in a dwelling.

The case began on the Ray Will farm near Marion. A total of 20 hens and one rooster were removed from a hen house at the rear of his home. But the moulting hens fluttered enough to blaze a trail to where the quintet had parked a car.

Tire tracks came into play at that point to permit officers to trail and identify the get-away car.

The five, residents of the Jefferson area, were identified as Gary Alan Meredith, Leonard A. Burns, Alford V. Cureton, Sally June Meredith and De-



Big Sewer Job Half Finished

Salem's interceptor sewer job, a major construction project, was said by City Engineer J. H. Davis today to be just over 50 percent complete. At the present rate of progress he said it should be finished by the end of February, which would be some months sooner than expected.

Over a mile of the heavy pipe has been laid. Laying of the 1325 feet of 72-inch pipe and 1644 feet of 66-inch pipe is all complete, and the crew of Werner & Jeske, the contractors, is now busy with the 60-inch line which will have a length of 7779 feet.

Starting at the lower end of the project on North River road where the sewage disposal plant will later be located, the line has been brought across South River road to North Commercial street, and along North Commercial to South street.

At South street the crew is now making a tunnel under the tracks of the Oregon Electric Railway. From that point it will continue on North Commercial to Shipping, east on Shipping to Fifth, and south on Fifth to Mill creek, where it will connect up with another unit of the job which was pushed ahead to make possible the building of the new bridge on Church at Mill creek.

North Commercial street is blocked between Jefferson and River, and North Church between Union street and Mill creek, making traffic detours necessary.

Excavations for the sewer line are being filled as the pipe is laid. Pipe manufacture is on the site by the Seattle Concrete Pipe company.

Cities, Counties Allotted \$33 Million Road Funds

A total of \$32,779,875.07 of highway funds have been allocated to cities and counties of the state for improvement of city streets and county roads during the past six years, according to state highway officials Wednesday.

Of this amount Marion county received \$1,468,311.99 and the city of Salem \$529,658.02 during this period.

Under laws passed by the legislature 19 per cent of all funds received by the state highway department must be allocated to the counties of the state and ten per cent to cities of 5,000 population or more.

The distribution of the funds to the cities and counties is made on a proportionate ratio of motor vehicles registered in each city and county as compared to total registrations of the state as a whole.

The yearly distribution of highway funds to the cities and counties has steadily increased. As an example, Marion county's share in the distribution has increased from \$145,062.09 in 1944 to \$356,038.01 in 1949.

Multnomah county's share in the fund during the six year period totaled \$7,328,774.39 and the city of Portland was allocated \$3,488,943.13 during the same period.

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55,300 Listed Oregon Jobless

The number of jobless persons in Oregon mounted to 55,300 this month, or 53 percent greater than a year ago.

The unemployment compensation commission also estimated that eight percent of the state's workers are without jobs. It was up to 14 percent last February, when 93,000 persons were unemployed, largely because the severe winter weather shut down the logging industry.

During November, the number of unemployed in the Portland area increased from 20,200 to 22,900, this being the smallest percentage increase in the state. Salem has 5000 persons without jobs, an increase of 1250 during last month. Eugene's total went to 4650, a gain of 600 during the month.

Bids Called Portland, Ore., Dec. 7 (AP)—Bids for construction of three bridges and an underpass at the site of Lookout Point dam will be invited about Dec. 15, the Portland district corps of engineers announced today.

Clears Both Wallace, Hopkins of Atomic Charges

Li Tsung-Jen Here As Virtual Political Exile

By SEYMOUR TOPPING

San Francisco, Dec. 7 (AP)—Li Tsung-Jen, acting president of Nationalist China, arrived in the United States as a virtual political exile. The plain fact is that he has no safe place to go back to in China.

Li said upon arrival in San Francisco last night that his absence from China is only temporary.

Li left again at 12:22 a.m. (3:22 EST) by chartered plane for New York's Presbyterian hospital for treatment of an ulcerated stomach. This treatment is described as his principal reason for being in this country.

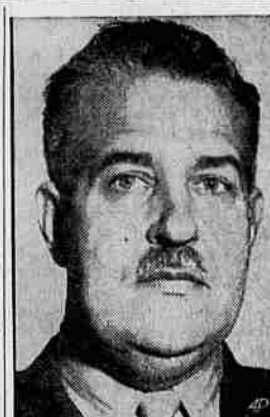
Li also plans to talk to American officials—presumably about aid for the nationalist cause.

To Visit Truman

He said he "naturally" would pay his respects to President Truman.

Pan American said Li would reach New York around 3 p.m. EST today unless headwinds forced refueling in Chicago around 11:30 a.m. EST. In this case he would be an hour late in reaching his destination.

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General Leslie R. Groves

United Nations To Act On China

New York, Dec. 7 (AP)—The United Nations General Assembly prepared today to take a final stand on whether or not it will pass in silence Nationalist China's charges of Soviet interference in Chinese internal affairs.

The Assembly has before it two proposals approved by its 59-nation political committee at Lake Success last night.

One of these—an American-backed resolution adopted in committee by an overwhelming 47 to 5 vote—calls on the world to keep hands off China and let the Chinese settle their own troubles.

The second measure, and the one on which Nationalist China now pins its hopes, would refer the whole Chinese question to the year-around "Little Assembly." That body would bring in recommendations to the 1950 general assembly.

Showdown on Formosa Near

Honolulu, Dec. 7 (AP)—Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) said today the time for a showdown on Formosa is near.

He said he was going to Washington "to see Louis Johnson (defense director) and lay the cards on the table."

Ferguson and a party of senators are pausing here on a round the world trip. Ferguson visited Formosa, Chinese nationalist stronghold atwarh the American defense line in the western Pacific.

The Michigan senator said the United States must "secure Formosa from communist occupation—no matter what."

"Every possible military commander feels that way but probably what will happen is this—the state department will have us recognize the Chinese communists and they will move into Formosa," Ferguson said.

Premier Yen Plans Flight

Chengtu, Dec. 7 (AP)—Premier Yen Hsi-Shan today whittled his government to 107 men and prepared to go over the mountains away from the approaching communists.

Streamlining of the government was made necessary, Yen said, to keep it mobile. Ordinarily the Chinese Nationalist government is composed of thousands of persons within ministries and bureaus. Hundreds were dropped in Chungking.

The exodus of officials continued from Chengtu, fourth Nationalist capital this year. Most are going to Formosa by way of Hainan Island, far to the southeast.

Yen is expected to take his slim government forces to Sichang in mountainous Sikang province to the west.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek still is in Chengtu. He is directing the nationalists and attempting to salvage something from the approaching Reds, who are within 75 miles of Chengtu. Chiang most likely will go to Formosa when he leaves here.

(Hong Kook news reports said the Yucan provincial government was preparing to abandon Kunming and move to Tali, 430 miles northwestward.)

Neither Sought A Secrets for Russian Use

Washington, Dec. 7 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Leslie R. Groves testified today that neither Harry Hopkins nor Henry A. Wallace ever tried to get any atomic secrets or materials from him for the Russians.

Groves, who headed the wartime atomic bomb project, told house investigators that he had never, in fact, met Hopkins or had any correspondence with him.

As for Wallace, Groves said, the former vice president never brought any direct pressure on him in connection with the atomic energy project and, as far as he knows, never put on any indirect pressure.

Wallace to Testify

Groves was a witness before congressional investigators digging into a story of atomic materials going to Russia in lend-lease planes during the war and of a mysterious note signed "H. H." saying "Had a hell of a time getting these away from Groves."

After getting Groves' testimony, Rep. Walter (D., Pa.), acting chairman, said the committee would give Wallace a chance to testify later.

The committee broke off its hearings to hold a closed door session.

Groves was dismissed as a witness.

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U. S. Licensed Atom Exports

Washington, Dec. 7 (AP)—Secretary of State Acheson said today that the army's wartime atomic bomb project approved government licenses for the shipment of uranium compounds to Russia in 1943.

In a news conference statement, Acheson recalled that two export licenses were granted in March, 1943, and another in April, 1943. In November, 1943, he said, a license was granted by the board of economic warfare for shipment of 1000 grams of heavy water to the Russians.

"The lend-lease records now held by the department," Acheson said, "show that none of these export licenses was permitted without approval of the Manhattan engineering district."

The Manhattan engineering district was the army's name for the agency that developed the atom bomb.

Acheson in effect denied charges by former Air Force Major George Racey Jordan that secret state department documents had been illegally transported to Russia.

"The department has no knowledge," he said, "that any departmental documents, secret or otherwise, were made available to the Soviet government without proper authorization, as alleged by Mr. Jordan."

Global Anti-Red Labor Organize

London, Dec. 7 (AP)—Leaders of 50,000,000 anti-communist trade union workers in 53 countries including the U. S. formally organized the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU) today.

By a lop-sided majority, the delegates adopted a constitution pledging the confederation to fight for job security for members, and for their right to work where they choose.

No negative votes were cast. But leaders of the French and Belgian Christian (Catholic) workers, abstained from the vote. They did not say why.

The new organization will carry the fight to communism and the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU). They quit the WFTU early this year because Reds controlled it.

A 20-man executive board along with a president and executive secretary will be named late today.

Paul Finet, of Belgium, chairman of the conference which formed the new international, seemed assured of election as president.

J. H. Oldenbroek, of the Netherlands, led in speculation for the executive secretaryship.



Tells of Radar Shipment—Former Air Force Major George Racey Jordan faces reporters across his desk in New York, as he tells of ripping secret radar equipment out of four planes bound for Russia. A fifth plane, he said, carrying the same equipment reached the Soviet Union. With Jordan, who touched off a new investigation of secret material allegedly obtained by the Soviets, is Fulton Lewis, Jr., radio commentator (dark suit) on whose program the disclosures were made. (AP Wirephoto)