

THE WEATHER

CLOUDY WITH occasional rain tonight, Thursday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 41; high Thursday, 48.

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GOP Leaders to Cooperate in Emergency

Leaders Promise Truman Full Support For Mobilization

Washington, Dec. 13 (AP)—President Truman told congressional leaders today of plans for "a very rapid increase" in military strength and won backing from republicans present. They agreed the country is confronted with "a dangerous emergency."

The White House issued a statement summarizing the two-hour conference and also announced that Mr. Truman will make a world-wide radio broadcast at 7:30 p.m. (PST) Friday night.

It was indicated the address will be primarily a statement to the American people of the necessity for sacrifices on the home front to support increased armed forces and supply the arms they need.

To Proclaim Emergency

The address likely will be supplemented by a proclamation declaring a national emergency, although the congress members said after their talk with Mr. Truman that this was a matter still undecided.

Senator Lucas (D-Ill.) and Rep. Vinson (D-Ga.) said they expected such a proclamation. Senator Wherry (R-Nebr.) said he also expects one, and that his impression is that Mr. Truman is inclined to "total mobilization" of the home front.

The White House statement said there appeared to be "strong sentiment" among the republican and democratic leaders "in favor of declaring a national emergency," but that some withheld approval pending further study of the "legal effects."

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Fog Blanket Eases in Valley

Fog continued to bother many parts of western Oregon, Wednesday, but was not as thick as the blanket of Tuesday. Willamette valley sections were in better shape than the Portland and northwestern areas of the state.

Airport operations were resuming normal schedules Wednesday morning in Oregon following complete cut-off of service Tuesday because of the fog all along the coast.

Forecast is for continuing valley fog in western Oregon tonight.

In the Salem area the fog covering was not as low and dense as Tuesday, although skies were overcast much of the day. The weather bureau report calls for cloudiness with occasional rain tonight and Thursday with little change in temperature.

The heavy fog of Tuesday caused many accidents in the Portland area, three serious river ones. A 50-foot tug turned turtle in the propeller wash of a freighter it was towing and sank seconds later in the Willamette river near the heart of Portland's business district. Crew members were rescued.

219 Pints Blood Given, Silverton

Silverton and Mt. Angel donors gave 219 pints of blood for the blood day conducted Tuesday at Eugene Field school in Silverton. A total of 263 persons appeared, of which 41 were rejections and three were unsuccessful.

Working under the slogan, "Save a Life for Christmas," recruiting groups from both Silverton and Mt. Angel had been busy the past two weeks working on the blood day plans. Carl B. Anderson and his daughter, Virginia Anderson, served as the recruiting committee in Silverton; Father Hildebrandt and Frank Heller as the committee in Mt. Angel. "The two groups did a wonderful job and blood officials are most gratified at the results," said Douglas Simms, county Red Cross chapter manager.

The blood day was staffed by four Silverton doctors and one from Mt. Angel, and a large group of volunteers assisted with the registration and canteen at the blood day.

On December 26, a blood day is planned at the state penitentiary, this to be the last visit of the Portland regional blood center unit to the county. A new schedule for blood days takes effect in January, two a month to be staged in Marion county through the coming year.

Russia Rejects Asian Plan for Korean Peace

Malik Says Cease-Fire Truce Would Be Used For Allied Attack

Lake Success, Dec. 13 (AP)—Russia today rejected an Asian-Arab plan for a Korean cease-fire, on the ground that the United States and Britain would use a truce to prepare their forces for a new attack.

A statement by Jacob A. Malik dashed the hopes of U.N. delegates for the success of the 13-nation peace plan by the Chinese communists, who adhere closely to Soviet policy.

Malik insisted there can be no peace in Korea until all U.N. troops are withdrawn.

"My delegation objects to and will vote against the draft resolution before the committee," Malik said. "We will object to the adoption of any resolution which has implicit in it the maintenance of foreign troops in Korea."

Blames United States

Malik spoke before the political committee of the United Nations assembly which is considering an Asian-Arab proposal for a three-man group to work out a cease-fire arrangement.

He told the committee he did not question the motives of the sponsoring countries, but that it was clear the United States and Britain were interested only in stopping the fighting and not in solving outstanding Asian problems.

Malik then asked: "Isn't the proposal for a cease-fire a hypocritical attempt to get a breathing spell so they can get their broken ranks together and continue their intervention in Korea?"

Rejected by Red China

The Soviet delegate's declaration was taken as an indication that communist China probably would not agree to a cease-fire unless it is tied with a solution of other demands, including admission to the U.N.

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Yegg Nabbed in Cracking Safe

Portland, Dec. 13 (AP)—A young man with a purloined safe found today that a hammer is inadequate for getting at the inside.

Police arrested Edgar R. Miller, 17, Portland, a parolee from the State Training school at Woodburn and booked him on a charge of burglary.

The 400-pound safe came from a service station.

Patrolmen Jay William and John Kirkland reported that at 8:15 a.m. two men told them someone was trying to beat open a safe on W. Burnside street near Skyline boulevard.

The patrolmen reported that they found Miller pounding away with no success.

He claimed, they said, that he had put the safe in his car all by himself taking an hour and a half for the task. When it fell out of the trunk compartment he decided to open it where it lay.

The fog, they said, confused him. He thought he was far outside the city.

Despite his story, police after lifting the safe into a patrol wagon, decided to look for an accomplice.

Wildcat Strike Ties-up Rails in Chicago Yards

Chicago, Dec. 13 (AP)—A sudden, unauthorized strike by yard switchmen today tied up much freight traffic in Chicago's vast railroad yards, slowing many war shipments.

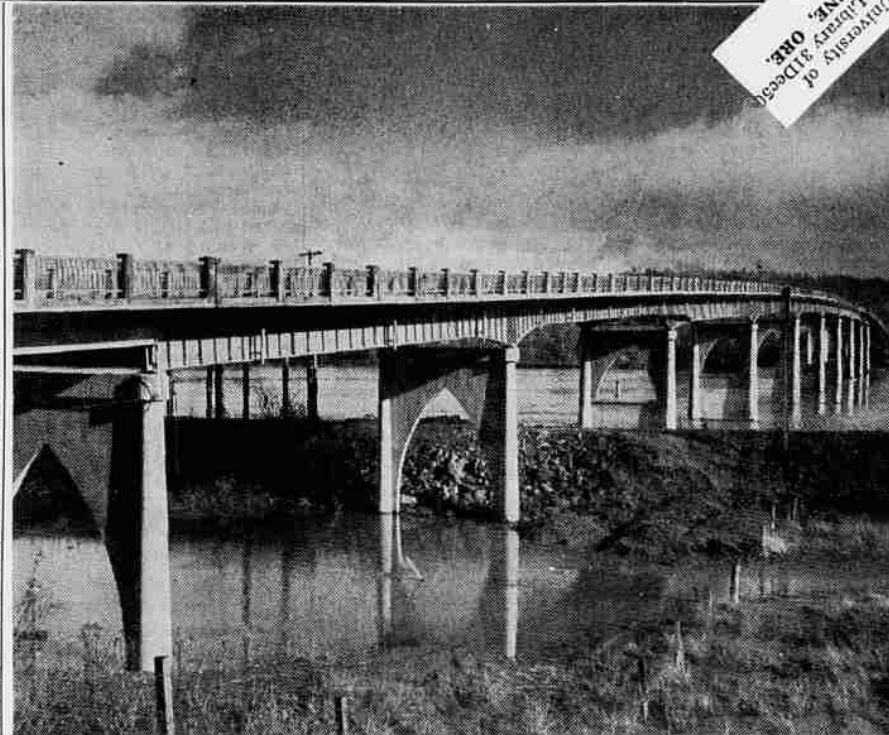
The army said in Washington the strike "directly hurts our war effort in Korea during this critical time." It said it will take all necessary steps to restore normal service.

A spokesman for the railroads said the tieup was incomplete but serious. It affected many important lines operating in Chicago, the largest railroad center in the world.

Chicago is served by 22 class one railroads and 16 switching and terminal companies. The area has 7,800 miles of track, 206 freight yards and a capacity of nearly 250,000 railroad cars.

An industry spokesman said the walkout was an attempt to force settlement of a wage-hours dispute before any wage freeze or presidential declaration of a war emergency.

A spokesman for the Western Association of Railroads said the strike was a serious threat to movement of freight, passenger



Singapore Quiet After Fatal Riots

Singapore, Dec. 13 (AP)—Singapore was gradually returning to normal today after two days of bloody rioting over the custody of a Moslem-reared Dutch girl. The casualty toll stood at 16 known dead and at least 180 injured.

Though shops and business houses reopened to brisk Christmas trade, the city remained under a dusk-to-dawn curfew.

In a fresh outbreak of violence Malays and Indians set fire to another military truck in the main Moslem quarter this morning.

Police swooped down on the trouble sector and arrested some 30 Moslem youths, part of the fanatical mob which began island-wide rioting Monday in protest against a court order returning 13-year-old Maria Bertha Hertogh to the custody of her Roman Catholic Dutch mother.

The mother, Mrs. Adeline Hertogh, lost her daughter in 1942 during the Japanese occupation of Java. Since then, the child had been reared as a Moslem by a Malay woman who sought to retain custody of her.

The rioters sought to kidnap the child and return her to the Malay foster mother and to the Moslem schoolteacher Maria Bertha married last summer. An appeal by the two Malays against the custody order will be heard next March, but the court ruled yesterday that the child, meanwhile, could be taken to Holland.

As violence subsided, government offices and banks also reopened today. However, bus service remained suspended.

Marx Grandson Dies

Paris, Dec. 13 (AP)—The communist newspaper L'Humanite today announced the death of Dr. Edgar Longuet, 71, grandson of Karl Marx. Longuet, who died yesterday in suburban Alfortville, was a communist party member and the son of Jenny Marx and Charles Longuet, the paper said.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 45; minimum today, 39. Total 24-hour precipitation: .51; for month: 3.28; normal: 5.64. Season precipitation: 24.45; normal: 12.40. River height, 8.6 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

Draft Quota Not Received Here

Marion county's selective service board Wednesday morning had not yet received notice of what its share of the Oregon quota of between 1,400 and 1,500 men for the first two months of 1951 will be.

The board here has to date received word of only one induction in January, that for January 3, when 24 men will be called. Those men leave Salem January 2 for Eugene, where there are inducted.

This Thursday a group will leave Salem for Eugene to take their physicals. Seventeen men have received notice to report at this time and included two who have been transferred into Salem. Four Marion county men have been transferred out and are not included in the group going from here.

In the nation's capital Tuesday afternoon the government announced that it had raised its January draft call from 40,000 to 80,000 men and that for February to 80,000. The February call had originally been for 50,000.

The deputy director of Oregon selective service, Col. Francis W. Mason, estimated that between 1,400 and 1,500 men will be drafted from Oregon in the first two months of 1951.

He blamed the walkout on what he said was White House failure to get the long dispute settled. The union seeks 48 hours pay for 40 hours work.

Independence Bridge Will Be Dedicated Monday—The new Willamette River bridge at Independence will be dedicated Monday afternoon, and the ferry, which has served for many years, will make its last round trip just before Governor Douglas McKay snips a ribbon to open the bridge. Half the million-dollar cost was paid by the state highway commission. Marion and Polk counties shared the rest. Governor McKay and members of the highway commission will be among those participating in the ceremony. (Photo by State Highway Department)

Price Ceilings Loom On Automobile Industry

Washington, Dec. 13 (AP)—Government price control chiefs met with auto industry officials today amid predictions that price ceilings might soon be slapped on automobiles.

Industry representatives told reporters in advance of the closed door session they felt certain the economic stabilization agency would apply the ceilings unless leading producers rescinded recently announced price boosts.

"I don't think they would have called us down here unless they were ready to act," said one industry official who asked not to be named.

He predicted the companies would decline to suspend the increases on 1951 models, in view of labor and materials cost and that ESA would act "probably not later than next week."

It would be the first compulsory price control move of the Korean war crisis.

ESA administrator Alan Valentine last week asked Ford and General Motors to abandon the price increases of approximately five per cent they had announced. The companies refused and Valentine invited them and eight other producers to today's session to discuss the whole question of automobile pricing.

An informal check at the door indicated that representatives of all companies attended — Ford, General Motors, Chrysler, Kaiser-Frazer, Nash-Kelvinator, Studebaker, Crosley, Packard, Hudson and Willys-Overland.

Valentine and his price administrator Michael Disalle apparently were trying to fortify themselves against the industry arguments that the price level could not be held as long as metals and other materials used by auto producers were free to rise.

Valentine yesterday sent telegrams to steel, copper, lead and zinc producers inviting them to similar price conferences here in early January.

Two republican senators also called for an explanation why Ford and General Motors were asked to cancel their price increases without a similar request being made to the steel industry.

Burglars Raid Auto Concern

Burglars ransacked the Warner motor company at 430 North Commercial street Tuesday night or Wednesday morning and made an apparently smooth getaway in a brand new sedan.

In addition to the 1951 black Mercury sedan, a set of mechanics tools was taken. The front office desk and cabinets were ransacked, presumably in a search for cash, but the safe was untouched.

The burglar or burglars smashed a small pane in a rear window which permitted the fastening to be unlatched, giving access to the shop. The break-in occurred between 9:15 p.m. Tuesday and 7:15 a.m. Wednesday.

Once inside, the office was searched, tools loaded in the car, and then the machine was driven out and away. Detectives assigned to the case presumed that the rear doors had been closed after the car was removed to cover the burglary.

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60,000 U.N. Troops Being Evacuated from N.E. Korea

Atlantic Pact Nations to Use German Army

London, Dec. 13 (AP)—Atlantic Pact experts laid down final political and military plans today for using German troops in defense of western Europe.

A communiqué said a joint meeting of the Pact council's deputy foreign ministers and its military chiefs "reached complete agreement on political and military recommendations for German participation" in western defenses.

The plan expected to call for rearming west Germans to form as much as one-fifth of the troops defending western Europe from any eastern aggression.

Brigade Sized Units

The German units would be limited to brigade size — about 4,000 to 6,000 men — and scattered throughout other Atlantic Pact armies of Europe.

The recommendations of today's meeting will go before the Pact's foreign ministers at Brussels next Monday and Tuesday for final approval.

German officials have not been consulted on the plan. They will learn its complete details only after it is finally approved in Brussels.

But from west German Prime Minister Konrad Adenauer on down they have been outspoken against going back into uniform except on a basis of equality.

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Death Threats by Red Germans

Berlin, Dec. 13 (AP)—East Germany's communist parliament today threatened death to all Germans convicted of collaborating with the military policies of the western powers.

The parliament unanimously approved, on its first reading, a law designed to strike terror among the west Germans now being asked to join western Europe's common defense. The legislation will go into effect after a second reading Saturday.

The law listed six classes of "offenses against peace," punishable by death if committed "on direct order from states which follow a warmongering or aggressive policy."

The United States, Britain and France were put in this category. They were accused of trying to "entangle the German people in a murderous civil war."

All Germans, even if they live outside the Soviet zone and commit their alleged offenses elsewhere, are made liable to punishment by the East German supreme court.

Western allied officials in Berlin described the "law for the protection of peace" as a desperate climax to Russia's campaign to scuttle western Europe's rearmament.

Marshall Plan Aid to Britain Out January 1

London, Dec. 13 (AP)—Although Britain is stepping out of the Marshall aid program she still will be able to draw from allotments already made. This includes \$175,000,000 for the second half of 1950.

The Marshall plan treaty between Britain and the U. S. will continue in force, chancellor of the exchequer Hugh Gaitskell said. Among other things this means the United States may continue stockpiling strategic materials purchased with its five per cent share of the counter-part funds. These funds are set aside in British currency to the total amount of grants received.

The U. S. gets five per cent for administrative and other programs.

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War at a Glance

(By the Associated Press)
Fighting Front — Chinese Reds, wearing American uniforms, attack U. N. forces withdrawing by sea from Hungnam, northeast Korea. Attack repulsed. Allied officers speed up evacuation of 60,000 troops fearing mass assault by 80,000 Chinese in area. Withdrawal means abandonment of last big U. N. port in North Korea. Destination of withdrawing troops unknown. Eighth army reports only patrol action in west, north of Seoul.

Diplomatic Front — Soviet Union expected to support cease-fire plan only if Red China given seat on commission and all Far Eastern problems arbitrated.

Canadian Troops Arrive in Japan

Tokyo, Dec. 13 (AP)—The first Canadian ground troops bound for the Korean war arrived at a Japanese port today. They will leave soon for an undisclosed destination in Korea.

The troops from the second battalion of the Princess Patricia Canadian light infantry, commanded by Lt. Col. J. M. (Big Jim) Stone of Salmon Arm, B. C.

The battalion will be followed by the remainder of a complete Canadian brigade. Three other infantry battalions and a regiment of Royal Canadian field artillery are training at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Arrival of the ground forces completes three-service participation of Canadian units in the Korean campaign.

Three Royal Canadian navy destroyers, the Cayuga, the Athabaskan and Sioux, have been in Korean waters for months. A squadron of North Star aircraft has been flown by Canadians out of McChord Field, Wash., in the air to Korea from the United States.

Representatives of Canada's defense research board also are here to study clothing and equipment in combat.

The assignment and disposition of the Canadian ground forces is a military secret. There has been speculation, however, that it might be attached temporarily to the 27th British Commonwealth brigade, which includes both British and Australian units.

Ise Koch Collapses Second Time at Trial

Augsburg, Germany, Dec. 13 (AP)—Red-haired Ise Koch collapsed again today at her trial and three doctors agreed she is temporarily not able to follow the proceedings.

Chief Judge George Maginot ordered the 43-year-old Mrs. Koch returned to nearby Alchach prison hospital until she calms down.

She interrupted her trial for alleged Buchenwald concentration camp atrocities with hysterical sobs.

The trial proceeded without her, a practice permitted under German law.

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Swiss Airliner Crashes at Halifax

Sydney, N. S., Dec. 13 (AP)—A big Swiss airliner sheared off a guide pole at the nearby Reserve airport today then skipped half a mile into a bog with only minor injuries to several passengers among the 31 persons aboard.

Coming in for refueling on a flight from Switzerland to New York, the twin-engined DC-4 struck the pole, bounded into the marsh and burst into flames 15 minutes after passengers and crew members had been taken to safety.

There were 20 passengers and a crew of 11 aboard as the plane came in for a landing on the fog-shrouded field.

There was no immediate explanation of the cause of the crash. Early reports that a power disruption had caused the airport's ground control approach radar equipment to fail against the threat of communism, were denied.

Yanks Repulse Attack Launched By Chinese Reds

Tokyo, Dec. 13 (AP)—Some 60,000 allied troops were streaming across Hungnam's shell-pocked docks and beaches into evacuation ships today on a fighting pull-out from Northeast Korea.

Their destination was a top secret.

Massed Chinese Red troops—possibly 80,000—pressed threateningly against the tiny escape beachhead 130 miles deep in communist territory.

American doughboys on the evacuation defense perimeter hurled back a Chinese attack Wednesday morning in a three-hour fight. It was launched by Chinese wearing captured American uniforms.

U.S. Tenth corps officers expected heavier blows would come Wednesday night. They feared the Chinese would try to swarm in for a kill with massive attacks before the last American, British, Puerto Rican and South Korean troops got away.

The evacuation began two days ago under military secrecy. It was orderly but hurried in the face of mounting Chinese threat.

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18 U. S. Jets Fly Over Formosa

Taipei, Formosa, Dec. 13 (AP)—Eighteen U.S. jet fighters streaked over this Chinese nationalist capital today. They were a reassuring sight to many officials uneasy about the future of the island.

The F-80 Shooting Stars, presumably based at Okinawa, were making one of their irregular appearances.

Among many nationalist officials there is a growing uneasiness that developments in the United Nations may lead to Formosa being turned over to the Chinese Reds.

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