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PARTLY CLOUDY tonight, cloudy Thursday with showers by afternoon. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 44; high Thursday, 66.

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By-pass Road Route South of City Selected

Extension from State Street to Battle Creek, Bids Called for North

By JAMES D. OLSON The route of the Salem by-pass road, south of State street has been selected by the state highway commission...

Announcement of selection of the route was made Wednesday by R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer...

Bids at May Meeting Bids will also be received at the May meeting of the commission for placing 16 inches of gravel materials on the by-pass road north of the Silverton branch of the railroad to the point where the new by-pass road intersects with the existing Pacific Highway East near Hayesville...

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End of Railroad Strike Seen Near

Washington (AP)—An end to the three-year railroad labor dispute seemed possible Wednesday as a trio of big unions prepared to give a yes or no answer to a White House peace plan.

The unions representing 150,000 workers—the engineers, firemen and conductors—asked for another clarification meeting Wednesday with chairman Leverett Edwards of the national mediation board.

Top policy groups of the three unions were to vote later in the day on the contract plan offered by the White House to end the marathon labor dispute.

60,000 Still Out in Oil Strike

Denver (AP)—Major segments of the nation's oil industry remained closed down Wednesday as an estimated 60,000 workers refused to ratify or failed to reach back-to-work agreements.

Scattered settlements were reported, mostly among small locals.

O. A. Knight, president of the Oil Workers International Union CIO, estimated that only about one-third of the 90,000 refinery and pipeline workers who walked out April 30 have returned to their jobs.

Knight predicted that nearly all the strikers would be back by the end of this week.

Eola Deer Inspect West Salem Lockers

Taking advantage of the closed hunting season, two young deer strolled through West Salem early Wednesday, cast an apprehensive eye at the freezing locker plants, and departed towards Eola at a brisk trot.

W. F. Wells, an early riser who lives at 256 Gerth street, saw the deer and proved it to neighbors with their tracks.

Rice Shortage

Manila (AP)—The government has awarded contracts for importation of 123,000 tons of rice, mainly from Burma, to help relieve a shortage of the staple food.

Conviction of Long Upheld in Murder Case

Supreme Court Grants New Trial to Mrs. Hansen of Corvallis

The Oregon supreme court ruled on two first degree murder cases Wednesday by affirming the death sentence of Wayne LeRoy Long of Portland, and granting a new trial to Mrs. Margrethe Hansen of Corvallis.

Long was caught in a bank holdup in Portland June 15, 1950, after he had murdered Walter L. Rucker in Clackamas county to steal Rucker's truck.

Mrs. Hansen was convicted of killing her husband, Sigurd Hansen Sept. 10, 1950, by running over him with their car in their garage.

All seven members of the high court voted to uphold Long's conviction.

Insufficient Evidence They all agreed there was insufficient evidence to convict Mrs. Hansen. Four of the judges voted for a new trial, while the other three wanted to dismiss the entire case.

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Dissenting Opinion In a dissenting opinion, Justice Earl C. Latourette wrote that Hansen's "death is a mystery, but there is no reason to plant the stigma of guilt on the defendant in the absence of substantial evidence of guilt. I would reverse with directions to dismiss."

Justice George Rossman, also wanting to dismiss the case, said the state failed to prove its case.

Supporting Justice Lusk in his opinion in favor of the new trial were Chief Justice James T. Brand and Justices Arthur D. Hay and Harold Warner.

Mrs. Hansen was sentenced to life in the state penitentiary.

The court ruled that the court of Circuit Judge Ralph M. Holman of Clackamas county committed no error in Long's trial, and that there was plenty of evidence to support his sentence to the gas chamber.

New Smasher For A Energy

Upton, N. Y. (AP)—A new atom smasher, capable of firing "bullets" almost as fast as the speed of light, opened a new era in science Wednesday that may enable man to create matter from energy.

The doughnut-shaped machine known as a cosmotron, produced atomic particles of 1,300,000,000 volts of energy Tuesday in an historic test at Brookhaven National Laboratory.

Atomic Energy Commission scientists achieved the greatest voltage ever produced by man by shooting the bullets, or hydrogen protons, through the cosmotron at 167,000 miles a second. The speed of light is 186,000 miles a second.

The speed and voltage exceeded that loosened by detonation of our mightiest atomic bomb.

Frost Causes Damage

Belgrade, Yugoslavia (AP)—Snow fell in Central and Northern Yugoslavia Wednesday. Severe frost caused widespread damage to fruit and vegetable crops.

C of C to Buy Land For Industrial Sites

The Salem Chamber of Commerce will buy 96 acres of land east of the city to be made available for industrial locations.

This was the recommendation today of the Industrial Development Council of the chamber. And since the council had previously been given authority by the chamber board of directors to decide whether the purchase was advisable its recommendation may be considered final.

The decision was reached by unanimous vote of the industrial council after making a personal inspection of the area Wednesday morning.

The ground to be bought is the greater part of the location east of Turner road that was used by the Army Air Force during World War II for barracks,



Grand Patriarch Decorated—Hugh Lewis, newly-elected grand patriarch of the Grand Encampment, IOOF, is shown being given the regalia of office by George Houck, retiring grand patriarch. Looking on is Maj. Gen. Jesse T. Jones, grand marshal.

West Germany To Join Allies

Washington (AP)—Secretary of State Acheson said Wednesday he hopes plans to unite West Germany with the rest of Western Europe will be completed in the next day or so.

Only a few controversial points, Acheson told a news conference, remain to be solved.

The problem of simultaneously giving the West German government a peace contract and fitting it into a new European Defense community has been troubling Acheson and other American policy makers for weeks. A solution has been delayed repeatedly.

Acheson will leave for Europe immediately after he gets word of the agreement.

While there he will discuss a number of important questions with British Foreign Secretary Eden and French Foreign Minister Schuman.

Senate Confirms J. P. McGranery

Washington (AP)—A lopsided Senate vote cleared the way for James P. McGranery to walk in to the Justice Department Wednesday and take over as the boss.

By a 52 to 18 vote, the Senate Tuesday night confirmed President Truman's nomination of the 56-year-old Philadelphia jurist to succeed J. Howard McGrath as attorney general.

All the votes against the appointment were cast by Republicans, but 14 other Republicans joined 38 Democrats in voting for confirmation.

Pennsylvania's two Republican senators, Duff and Martin, were among those voting approval.

McGranery, a former House member, has been a federal judge in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania since 1946.

Bodies of Four Found in Sound

Bellingham, Wash. (AP)—The wind-whipped wake of one of Puget Sound's worst yachting tragedies has revealed the bodies of four of seven persons who were aboard the 35-foot sailing sloop Prelude when it vanished Sunday evening.

An extensive search for the other three persons—now presumed dead—and the wreckage of the mysterious missing boat is continuing Wednesday.

The bodies of Mrs. Ellen Fordyce, her son, Kenneth, 12, Ed E. Jukes and Mrs. Donald W. Card, were found Tuesday in the waters between here and Orcas Island, some 15 miles to the southwest. Only Jukes was not wearing a life preserver.

Grand IOOF Parade At 7 O'clock Tonight

Wednesday evening is parade time for the Odd Fellows and affiliated bodies, who since Sunday have been in Salem for the 96th annual session of the Grand Lodge of Oregon and affiliated bodies.

The parade, which starts moving from Marion square at 7 o'clock, will go down Commercial street to State street and up State street, going across High street to Court street. It will then move up State street and terminate at the Capitol Mall.

Divided into three sections, the parade is to be led by the Salem Naval Reserve color bearer and guard. Floats, bands and other marching groups will be included in the parade. Six bands are slated to take part in the event and include Willamette University band, Silverton high school band, Leslie junior high school band and the Jefferson high school band.

Eleven cash prizes are being given. The sections for which the prizes are offered and the prizes are: IOOF floats of the Centennial theme, first prize, \$50; second prize, \$35; and third prize, \$25.

IOOF floats other than Centennial, first prize, \$30; second prize, \$35. Fraternal floats other than IOOF, first prize, \$50; second prize, \$35. Marching units, IOOF, first prize, \$50; second prize, \$35. Marching units other than IOOF, first prize, \$50; second prize, \$35.

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Boys Find \$2180 In Pool Package

Portland (AP)—Three boys saw a strange looking object floating on a shallow pool here Tuesday. They fished it out and found it contained \$2,180 in currency.

The money had been wrapped in paper, sealed in a glass jar and then wrapped in a watertight container made of an old inner tube.

The boys, Lynn Hill, 7; Myron Wicomb, 9; and Melvin Weaver, 11, divided the money and went home. The mother of one of the boys reported the find to the sheriff's office.

The money was thought to have belonged to James Stevens, 71, who died three months ago in a nearby shack. Stevens, a recluse, had told neighbors before he died that he had saved enough money to return to his native Russia. A search of his house shortly after his death turned up \$327 hidden in envelopes and a tobacco can.

The money was taken by the sheriff's office to be turned over to Stevens' estate.

Thunderjet Explodes, Pilot Killed in Britain

Manston, England, (AP)—A U. S. Air Force F-84 Thunderjet exploded in flight and crashed on the American fighter base field here Wednesday, the third such Thunderjet crash in a month. The pilot was killed.

France Confers Highest Honor On Eisenhower

Medaille Militaire Given As Farewell Tribute by Pinay

Paris (AP)—France conferred its highest honor—the Medaille Militaire—on Gen. Eisenhower Wednesday in a farewell tribute within the shadow of Napoleon's tomb.

The Supreme Commander of Allied Powers in Europe received the award from Premier Antoine Pinay in the Court of Honor of Les Invalides.

The last foreigner to receive this mark of France's highest esteem was Prime Minister Winston Churchill in 1946.

Citizen of Louveciennes Two hours earlier Eisenhower became an honorary citizen of Louveciennes, the village of 2,400 inhabitants in whose area SHAPE headquarters is located.

The general drove to the Arc de Triomphe after the Invalides ceremony and placed a wreath of red roses on the tomb of France's Unknown Soldier.

The Medaille Militaire is awarded to commanding officers only after they have received every other high decoration. It (Concluded on Page 5, Column 4)

Senator Aiken Raps Brannan

Washington (AP)—Sen. Aiken (R., Vt.) charged Wednesday that political manipulators forced grain prices down a billion dollars in 1948 and declared "they're not going to do it again this year if I can stop it."

Aiken was carrying along his attack on Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, as the cabinet officer began testifying before the Senate Agriculture Committee to reply to criticism of his department.

Brannan brought on Aiken's outburst by charging that some of the difficulties of his department with grain storage were caused by limitation which he said Congress put in the Commodity Credit (CCC) charter act in 1948.

He said these prevented his department from taking effective action to expand storage facilities for huge 1948 crops it had to buy up under the farm price support laws.

Morse Refuted By ASNE Chief

Washington (AP)—The president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors (ASNE) has challenged a statement by Sen. Morse (R-Ore.), that press, radio and television did not fully report the steel seizure dispute.

"News coverage by the American press of all viewpoints on the steel controversy has been thorough and complete," ASNE head Wright Bryan, editor of the Atlanta Journal, said in Atlanta Tuesday night.

"Anyone who says otherwise simply has not read the newspapers, or else refuses to believe the evidence before his eyes."

Bryan said editorial comment has expressed every conceivable attitude as "it always does on controversial issues."

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 63; minimum today, 48. Total 24-hour precipitation for month: 3.0; normal, 1.53. Season precipitation, 46.05; normal, 35.39. River height, 2.4 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

Oregon Textile Day To Be Full of Action

Oregon Textile day, which is tomorrow, is going to keep the Salem Chamber of Commerce, business men, industrialists and an impressive crowd of visitors busy all day.

The visitors, arriving by Southern Pacific with special reservations, will mainly be from Portland, though there will be a sprinkling of them from other large northwest cities.



Visitors at Session—Dr. J. H. Nelson (above) oldest living past grand master of the IOOF grand lodge of Oregon, formerly of McMinnville, Ore., and now of San Francisco, who is in Salem to attend the 96th annual session of the lodge. Presley Horn (below), past grand master of the jurisdiction of Idaho, who was the speaker for the grand reception held Tuesday night.

6 Hour Battle Staged with Reds

Seoul, Korea (AP)—A United Nations tank-infantry patrol fought a six-hour battle with Red forces east of the Panmunjom truce site on the Korean Western Front Tuesday.

A U. S. Eighth army staff officer said the allied tanks ran into small arms mortar and rocket fire from a Red force of undetermined strength.

The U. N. force dug in and pounded the Reds with artillery, mortar and tank fire before disengaging.

A delayed report from the central front said a Red ammunition storage bunker was destroyed and 31 others were damaged by U. N. tanks Monday.

Another U. N. tank force on the central front battled the Reds twice on Tuesday.

Three communist probing attacks were repulsed on the eastern front.

Ridgway Tells Of Red Build-Up

Washington (AP)—Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway said Wednesday the Russians have made a big buildup of military strength in the Far East and the communists in Korea now have "greater offensive potential" than at any time in the past.

Ridgway said too he thinks chances are not bright for an immediate cease-fire agreement in Korea.

Despite the Red build up, he predicted that if the communists try a surprise offensive they will be beaten back with "tremendous losses."

Ridgway is en route from the Far Eastern Command to Europe where he will take over the North Atlantic Treaty forces from Gen. Eisenhower.

In a busy day here, he spent two hours behind closed doors answering questions from senators and then held a news conference at the Pentagon.

U. S. Casualties in Korea Total 108,707

Washington (AP)—Announced U. S. battle casualties in Korea reached 108,707 Wednesday an increase of 294 since last week.

The defense department's weekly summary based on notifications to families through last Friday shows these new totals:

Killed in action 17,172; wounded 79,060; missing, 12,475.

Casualties by services: Army 88,406; Navy 1,323; Air Force 1,158; Marine Corps 17,795.

Queen Opens Canal Amsterdam (AP)—Queen Juliana Wednesday opened the 45-mile long Amsterdam-Rhine Canal which gives the Rhine a new mouth and speeds Western European shipping to the North Sea. The canal cost \$23,800,000.