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PARTLY CLOUDY tonight, Sunday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 36; high Sunday, 54.

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Deluge of Bills May Prolong 1953 Session

Legislation Leaders Think End Sure in Another 50 Days

By PAUL HARVEY, JR. (Associated Press Correspondent) Threatened with the biggest deluge of bills in history, Oregon's 41-day-old Legislature still is confident it can wind up its work in another 50 days.

Having made good progress this week with highway and liquor legislation, the lawmakers guarantee a good show next week.

Here's the schedule for next week, and it doesn't include unexpected subjects that might develop: Monday — The Senate will vote on the bill to divide Multnomah, Marion and Lane counties into representative districts. It also would have legislative candidates run by numbered positions in districts where there are two or more to be elected.

Fair Racing Money Tuesday — The explosive issue of whether to keep on giving racing receipts to the fair gets its first test in the House, which will vote on the resolution for an interim committee to make a two-year study of the problem.

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For Primary Withdrawals

The senate passed a house bill Saturday to permit presidential candidates to withdraw from Oregon's presidential primary elections, but it apparently is headed for a dispute in a senate-house conference committee.

As passed by the house, it would have allowed withdrawal only if persons who swear that they are not candidates for president.

The senate changed it so that any person, including candidates nationally, could withdraw from the state primary when they don't want to run here.

The bill, by Rep. Mark Hatfield, Salem, is the outgrowth of the 1952 primary, in which Sen. Wayne Morse and Justice William O. Douglas were entered in the presidential races here against their wishes.

Senators voting against the bill were Stewart Hardie, Condon; John P. Hounsell, Hood River; Warren McMinnis, Tillamook; and Lowell Steen, Mil-ton-Freewater.

Governor Picks Interstate Group

Oregon's committee on interstate co-operation was named Friday by Gov. Paul L. Patterson and the presiding officers of the legislature.

The 12-man committee works with other states in solving mutual problems and working out uniform legislation.

Gov. Patterson, Senate president Eugene E. Marsh and Speaker of the House Rudie Wilhelm, Jr., automatically are members.

The governor reappointed Finance Director Harry Dorman, State Engineer Charles E. Stricklin, and Public Utilities Commissioner Charles H. Helzel to the committee.

The legislative members are: Senators Robert D. Holmes, Gearhart; Elmo Smith, John Day, and Paul Geddes, Roseburg; and Reps. Carl Francis, Dayton; Lee Ohmart, Salem, and Robert Root, Medford.

Variable Weather Week-End Forecast

Variable weather comes for Salem and vicinity at the week-end. Despite cloudiness, the minimum temperature in the city dropped to below the freezing mark this morning, 31 being recorded. The skies cleared up long enough around midnight to allow the colder temperature to move in.

Low for tonight is forecast for 30. Skies were cloudy Saturday morning, although the sunshine came through several times. Cloudiness is due to continue over Sunday.

Rainfall in Salem amounted to only a trace in the 24-hour period ending at 10:30 a.m. Saturday. The Willamette river continues to fall, measuring 7.9 feet at the local gauge this morning.

Judges Favor Inspection of Welfare Lists

County Commissioners Feel Opening of Lists Will Stop Frauds

By JAMES D. OLSON (Associated Press Correspondent) Nine out of 12 representatives of county courts in Oregon expressed favor for opening welfare lists to the public and a number favored including names of parents receiving aid for dependent children, in a vote taken before a meeting of the joint welfare committee of the senate and house Saturday morning.

The committee was told by the county officials that while they favored protecting the children who are in foster homes the money for aid to dependent children goes to the parents and therefore the parents' names in such cases should be listed just as other persons obtaining public assistance.

Only Three Oppose Only representatives of the county courts of Baker, Klamath and Wasco counties voted against the bill although it was indicated that Baker county may favor it.

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Balkan Pact to Fight Aggression

Ankara, Turkey (AP)—Turkey, Greece and Yugoslavia have reached complete agreement on defense arrangements against possible communist aggression in the Balkans in talks here, informed Turkish sources said today.

No communique was issued after the week-long discussions ended last night but the sources said: "Complete accord has been reached concerning defense arrangements to be made jointly by the three nations."

A treaty of friendship among the three, now being drafted in Athens, Greece, is expected to be signed here early next month. Indications are that any formal military agreement will be separate from the friendship pact and will follow later.

PGE Welcomes Surcharge Probe

Portland (AP)—Portland General Electric Co. said Friday State Rep. Monroe Sweetland's demand for a public hearing on the controversial power surcharge was "groundless and irresponsible."

But Waldemar Seton, PGE vice president, said the firm would welcome a public hearing of the facts and would present its answers to Sweetland's charges "in the orderly atmosphere of the formal public hearing."

Sweetland recently asked the public utilities commissioner to investigate the 20 percent surcharge added by PGE to its customers' bills to cover the cost of steam generated power used during the late fall water shortage.

The surcharge was approved by Charles Helzel, public utilities commissioner.

Sweetland asked that all surcharges be impounded and that the power rate structure be investigated.

Blaine McCord, Key Man in Legislature, Dies

Blaine McCord, 69, who had been a key man in the house organization of the Oregon legislature for 34 years, died in sleep in his room at the Marion hotel early Saturday.

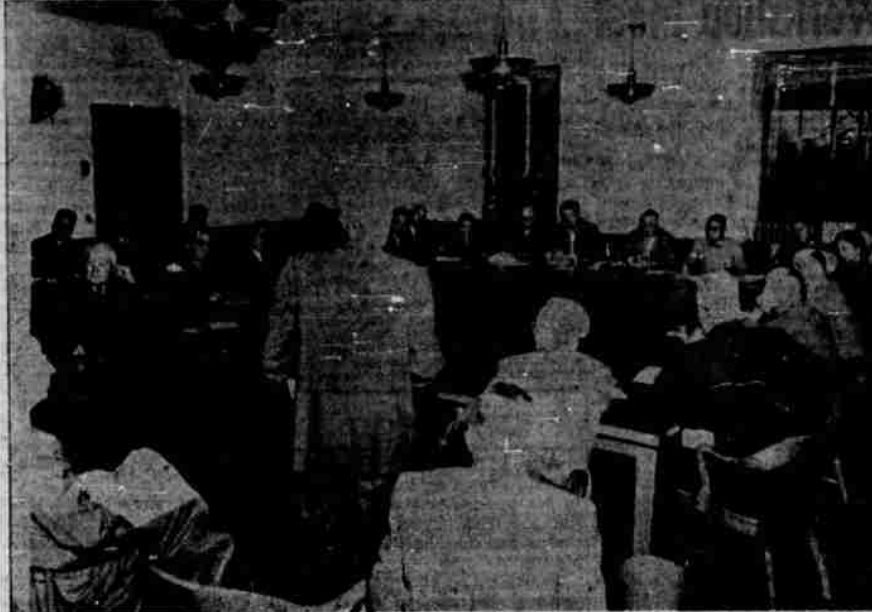
McCord had been chief clerk of the House rules committee for 22 years. For 12 years before that he had been chief clerk of the law committee of the House. Over a period of 34 years he had been an important figure in the House in 17 regular sessions.

As chief clerk of the rules committee, a position he had held since 1931, all bills introduced had to clear through him for checking as to form and content.

McCord's home was at Woodburn. He was born April 21, 1884, at Benton Harbor, Mich., and was graduated from Benton Harbor college and the Law College of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, and (Continued on Page 5, Column 5)



Blaine McCord of Woodburn



4 Students in Plane Wreckage

Franklinville, N. Y. (AP)—The wreckage of a rented plane in which four Niagara university students set out on a lark eight days ago was found Saturday and the evidence indicated all four were dead.

The Cattaraugus county sheriff's office said farmers Eben Stalcut and Archie Reynolds came upon the wreckage in a wooded gully eight miles east of this western New York village.

Stalcut's wife reported that the men returned to notify authorities without stopping to look inside the wreckage but had seen what looked like bodies.

The four-seater Stinson vanished February 13 while enroute the 70 miles from Buffalo to St. Bonaventure college, near Olean, where the students had planned to drop pro-Niagara leaflets for a basketball game between the two schools the next night.

Teachers Red Cell Probed

Washington (AP)—Senate sleuths dug into reports of a Red cell of 500 teachers in New York today as it pressed its investigation of communist infiltration of U.S. schools.

Chairman William E. Jenner (R., Ind.) of internal security subcommittee, said he planned to call a teacher known in "party circles" as "Time" to testify on the cell next Tuesday.

"Time," he said, allegedly acted as a liaison between the cell and the national control commission of the communist party. Witnesses have told the committee that the cell was set up as an underground with members kept in the dark as much as possible on their colleagues.

CITIES TO CONSOLIDATE The Senate passed and sent to the House Saturday a bill to let Oregon City and Gladstone consolidate.

Weather Details Maximum yesterday, 61; minimum today, 31. Total 24-hour precipitation: trace for month; 4.90 normal; 3.90. Season precipitation, 31.68. Normal, 37.61. River level, 1.4 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

St. Paul's Contract Let, Groundbreaking Tuesday

By MARIAN LOWRY FISCHER Ground-breaking ceremonies for construction of the new building for St. Paul's Episcopal church will be held at noon next Tuesday, February 24, it is announced by Glenn S. Faxson, chairman of the church building committee.

Contract for the new structure was let Friday to A. N. Minden company of Portland, and the building permit is expected to be taken out the first of the week for a total of \$246,997. The new Episcopal edifice is to be on the old Lincoln school property in south Salem, the congregation owning the whole city block there between High and Liberty streets and bounded on the north by East Myers street.

The structure to go up now will include the church, together with the Sunday school department and class rooms and church offices. The building is to have concrete basement, a concrete slab floor, the superstructure to be of brick veneer up to the window sill, the upper part of wood.

The new building will have its main entrance at the south, facing Myers. The parking lot facilities will be arranged along the south end of the property. St. Paul's parish has been housed at the corner of Church and Chemeketa streets for the past century, the present church erected 100 years ago. The lot was given to the parish more than 100 years ago. The present church building was put up in the early twenties.

The Rev. George H. Swift, rector of the parish, invites all members of the congregation to witness the ground-breaking ceremonies Tuesday. The church membership and the many inner-parish organizations have worked for years towards the new church building. James L. Payne is the architect for the new structure.

Sokolovsky to Lead Red Army

Moscow (AP)—Marshal Vasily Sokolovsky succeeded Army Gen. Sergei Shtemenko as chief of staff of the armed forces of the Soviet Union, it was disclosed Saturday.

Sokolovsky has been first deputy minister of the armed forces since March 30, 1949. Shtemenko became chief of staff Nov. 13, 1948, when he replaced Marshal Alexander V. Varfolomey.

Sokolovsky is a full member of the central committee of the Communist Party.

He was the captor of Berlin and became a hero of the Soviet Union for his work in that campaign. He was decorated as a knight commander of the British Empire by Marshal Lord Montgomery in Berlin in 1945 and became chief of the Soviet military administration in Germany in November, 1946. He gave up that job in early 1949 just before the end of the Berlin blockade.

Truman to Write For Magazine

Kansas City (AP)—Former President Harry S. Truman announced Saturday he will write his memoirs and had selected Life magazine to handle all rights.

In his first formal press conference since he returned from the White House Mr. Truman said his memoirs will be published in one or two volumes. He also announced that he, Mrs. Truman and their daughter, Margaret, will go on a cruise to Honolulu, spending about a month there.

Mr. Truman declined to state how much he would receive for his memoirs. In a formal statement he said his memoirs will not be published for two years in the belief that by 1954 he will be able to speak more fully on the subjects pertaining to the role his administration played in world affairs.

Mr. Truman said that the period covered by his memoirs will be from 1935, when he was first elected to the United States Senate from Missouri, until the time he left office last month.

Bohlen Acceptable As Envoy to Russia

Moscow (AP)—An informed source said Saturday the Soviet Union has accepted the nomination of Charles E. Bohlen as the next U. S. ambassador to Moscow.

Bohlen, an expert on relations with the Soviet Union, is now a state department counselor. If his nomination is approved by the U. S. senate he will replace former Ambassador George F. Kennan, whom the Soviets declared personally unacceptable last October 31.

Worst Prairie Blizzard Subsides with Cold Wave

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Although the midwestern storm abated, it did not lose all its teeth. Great clouds of dry snow, as fine as pumice, were carried across the plains by powerful winds. In some areas residents couldn't even be sure it had stopped snowing.

Fear Internal Fight for Power Rises in Russia

Anglo-American Conference Sees Threat to World Peace

London (AP)—The critical Indo-Chinese war and a possible West German tie-up with the Atlantic alliance if the European army plan fails will be among top-priority items at forthcoming British-American talks in Washington, British government sources say.

These topics were reported last night as another highly-placed Briton expressed mounting anxiety over a possible struggle for power within Russia if Stalin dies or quits. Such an internal battle, he declared, would represent one of the biggest threats to world peace.

This Briton said the West could be fairly confident as long as Stalin was in full command but in the event of an all-out struggle for dictatorship between ambitious rivals, "There is no telling what their rashness may plunge us into."

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Antarctic Row Flaring Again

London (AP)—Britain Saturday renewed her offer to take her Antarctic dispute with Argentina and Chile to the International Court at The Hague.

The offer was made in two notes after British authorities last Sunday demolished an Argentine hut and tent near an airstrip on Deception Island and deported two Argentines. At the same time a Chilean hut in the same area was knocked down.

Both Chile and Argentina, who challenge British territorial claims in the Antarctic, demanded Friday night that Britain rebuild the installations, and Argentina demanded that her two nations be returned to their post. Chile proposed that the affairs be carried to the Organization of American States, to which the United States belongs.

Both Argentina and Chile have spurned previous offers to settle the dispute in the world court.

Want 'Voice' in Cabinet Agency

Washington (AP)—The U. S. Advisory Commission on Information recommended Saturday that the Voice of America and all other psychological warfare and overseas information programs be placed in a new federal agency of cabinet level.

The advisory committee is a group of five distinguished citizens under the chairmanship of Mark A. May, director of the Yale University Institute of Human Relations.

The proposal for removing the Voice and related activities from the State Department was one of seven recommendations which the commission placed before Congress in a report released through the department.

It coincided with mounting criticism of the handling of Voice operations. The program is now being investigated by a Senate committee headed by Sen. McCarthy.

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Bomber Fleets Mercilessly Hit N. Korea

Sabrejets Down or Damage 49 MiGs in 8 Days

Seoul (AP)—United Nations bomber planes of every type struck mercilessly at the communists in northwest Korea today. American Sabre jet fighters in their eighth day of victorious aerial combat, destroyed, damaged, or probably destroyed 10 Russian-made MiG-15 jets in defending the swarming Allied bomber fleets.

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Red Ground Attack In ground fighting on the Western Front United Nations infantrymen broke up what apparently had been planned to be the kick-off of the biggest Chinese communist attack of the new year. Patrols caught 500 enemy troops attacking on a two-pronged mass on T-bone hill. They called in reinforcements and artillery.

Infantry, artillery and mortars ripped into the enemy force. The Reds never even got to jump off and retreated to their main lines at dawn.

B-29s in Big Raid Eighteen B-29s, in the biggest Superfort attack of the year, hurled 180 tons of 500-pound bombs on a 150-acre concentration of communist buildings, supply installations and troop dugouts near Sopo, eight miles north of the North Korean capital of Pyongyang.

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Chemawa Fete To Be Feb 26-27

Chemawa—Students of Chemawa Indian school will present a tableau depicting the history of the school at ceremonies commemorating the 73rd anniversary of the institution Thursday and Friday night, Feb. 26-27.

The program will be presented in the school gymnasium by the students at 7:30 p.m. each night. The first night the show will be for students and faculty members only. Friday night the program will be repeated for the public.

Miss Leona Showaway, a Umatilla from Pendleton, has been chosen queen for the festivities. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dominic Showaway of Pendleton.

Princesses will be Pauline Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Johnson of Steamboat Canyon, Ariz.; Lorraine Tom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tom of Teesnohos, Shiprock, New Mexico; Donna Jane Colville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Jones, Omak, Wash.; Georgia Lucel, Yakima tribe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lucy Lucel, Toppenish, Wash.; Patsy Ochoho, Palute tribe, daughter of Mrs. Rosie Arnett, Ft. Bidwell, Calif.; and Augustine Phillips, Yakima tribe, daughter of Andrew Phillips, White Swan, Wash.

The theme of the tableau will be "Moon Memories," written by faculty members Miss A. Chellis and Miss H. Gordon.

Public Offices to Be Closed Monday

Portland (AP)—Federal, state and county offices and liquor stores will be closed Monday in observance of Washington's birthday which falls on Sunday this year.

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'Smack' Leader To Return Home

Washington (AP)—Maj. Gen. Wayne C. Smith, commander of the Seventh division which carried out the controversial "Operation Smack," is coming back from Korea to take another assignment.

The Army, in announcing this Saturday said his return is part of a normal rotation of officers and had nothing to do with the "Smack" incident and the uproar it touched off.

Smith, a native of St. Joseph, Mo., was sent to the Far East a year ago and was given command of the division last July.

After his return "within the next few months," the Army said, Smith will become commander of the 11th Airborne Division at Camp Campbell, Ky.

U.S. Prisoners Revolt in Korea

Pusan, Korea (AP)—The U.S. Korean base section said Saturday 30 American military prisoners were injured Friday night in a revolt against stockade discipline that was quelled after an hour-long battle with a company of military police.

The base section announced two of the prisoners were hospitalized.

It reported 137 prisoners, convicted by general court martial started fighting among themselves in the prison compound.

Lt. Col. Edwin Weisman, provost marshal, said internal dissension and grumbling over a stricter prison routine caused the fighting.

The stockade for "maximum custody" holds prisoners who have been sentenced by general courts martial to dishonorable discharges and up to 10 year in prison.

Mortar Shell Hits Mess Kit of GI

With U. S. Second Division, Korea (AP)—A division spokesman reported today that the communists served up a hot mortar round for a hungry soldier and dropped it right through his mess kit.

The spokesman said the soldier—unidentified—brushed off the splattered kit, went to the kitchen, got a tray full of new chow and finished his meal.

No one was hurt by the mortar shell.