

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY FAIR tonight, Friday. Little warmer. Low tonight, 23; high Friday, 68.

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Allies to Meet Reds Monday In Truce Talks

Plans for Exchanges Of 111 POW Scheduled at Panmunjom

(By The Associated Press) While Western leaders continued to sound words of caution, the Communists delivered to the U. N. Command in Korea Thursday their latest proposal for ending the Korean fighting.

The U. N. Command agreed to a meeting at Panmunjom on Monday to discuss plans for exchanging sick and wounded prisoners—an article of business Gen. Mark Clark says must be disposed of before resumption of truce talks. It was Clark who made the original proposal on the prisoners.

Red Tactics Reversed In Washington, responsible officials and Western diplomats saw increasing evidence that Russia's snowballing peace offensive was a reversal of cold war tactics aimed at stalling the West's defense buildup and wrecking the anti-Soviet world's unity.

This confronts leaders in the Eisenhower administration with the critical problem of negotiating settlements with Moscow while maintaining the military power that enables them to negotiate from strength.

Russians Risk But some authorities say the Russians are running a risk, too. If the Western world maintains its unity it may be able to create a stability which the Soviets will find difficult to upset.

The spotlight remained focused on Korea, the scene of the fighting. More light will be shed on the situation when the prisoner of war talks open on Monday. If the Reds resort to their customary haggling, the Western world will have the grounds for questioning their sincerity.

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Britain to Keep Export Bans

London (AP)—Britain's Conservative government served notice Thursday it will not ease its ban on exports of strategic goods behind the iron curtain despite recent dickerings by Communist China.

Peter Thorneycroft, president of the Board of Trade, told the House of Commons that "circumstances have not changed so dramatically as to warrant a substantial alteration" in Britain's strategic controls.

He turned down a suggestion by Harold Wilson, former Labor Party president of the Board of Trade, that a revision in the list of controlled exports was "long overdue."

Reds Abandon Traffic Control

Berlin (AP)—Russian Zone border guards virtually abandoned controls on the East-West express highway to Berlin Thursday and interzonal traffic sped at an unprecedented rate.

The Soviets obviously had instructed the guards to deal only perfunctorily with cargoes and credentials.

Giant trucks, hauling as much as 12 to 15 tons of goods to West Berlin, were not even subjected to customs inspections at the border.

The vanguard of Easter holiday traffic, including German and Allied passenger cars, reported such speech and courtesy in passing through the frontier had not been seen here before.

Sunny Weather With Light Frost

Thursday turned out to be bright and sunny, but the morning temperatures were still on the chilly side, the low dipping to 28 degrees.

The weather bureau says more spring-like temperatures are due for Oregon over the week-end, although the night readings will continue cool.

Forecasters are calling for increasing cloudiness in western Oregon Friday, but they are being a bit careful about predicting rain for Easter Sunday.

Soviet Threat Undiminished Says Ridgway

Warns That Russia Continues to Increase Military Capacity

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Powers in Europe, (AP)—Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway warned Thursday that Soviet Russia's threat against the Western Allies "has not diminished one iota."

NATO's supreme commander in Europe said nothing about the current peace moves in a speech at the second anniversary of SHAPE, his headquarters here near Paris, but he warned that Soviet Russia has "increased and continues to increase" her military capacity.

Appeals to Allies Then Ridgway made a strong appeal to the Western Allies to bring West German troops into the defense of the 4,000-mile West European Front.

"For the defense of this vast region," he said, "one significant contribution—the participation of Germany—is still as yet withheld.

"It would welcome this additional military potential. A Western German contribution would not only strengthen the whole edifice of Allied Command Europe. It would lighten proportionally the burden of the cost of this defense."

Seattle Metal Workers Strike Seattle (AP)—Workers numbering 5,000 in three AFL unions struck at metal fabricating shops, and foundries in Seattle, Tacoma and Everett Thursday in a wage dispute.

The work stoppage idled another 5,000 workers in other unions not on strike—who observed strikers' picket lines.

Hope Lodge 79, International Association of Machinists, with 3,000 members, was the largest union on strike. Its work-out affected 62 plants.

Three locals of the Molders & Foundry Workers union struck 50 shops in the Puget Sound area, with 1,600 workers involved.

The third union on strike is Local 289 of the Automotive Machinists union. A spokesman said 400 to 500 members walked out.

U.S. and France For Safety Meet

Berlin (AP)—The United States and France accepted Thursday a Russian invitation to join in current Soviet-British talks on air safety over Germany.

The invitation from Gen. Vassily Chulkov, chief of the Soviet Control Commission in Germany, came after the British had met twice with Russian Air Force experts to discuss ways of avoiding such air incidents over Germany as the destruction of a British bomber by Soviet-jet fighter March 12.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 55; minimum today, 28. Total 24-hour precipitation: 0; for month: 0; normal, 15. Season precipitation: 26.41; normal, 22.4. River stage: 2.5 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

Ike Plans to Reorganize Defense Mobilization

Washington (AP)—President Eisenhower Thursday sent Congress a plan to reorganize the Office of Defense Mobilization. He said it is intended "to achieve the maximum degree of mobilization readiness at the least possible cost."

The plan would merge the functions of the mobilization agency and those of the National Security Resources Board. It also would give permanent status to the ODM, which has been operating as a temporary emergency agency.

The plan to create a single, central Defense Mobilization Office will go into effect automatically in 60 days unless either the Senate or the House veto the plan in the meantime, or unless both branches vote to put it into effect earlier.

GLAD TO BE HOME



It was home again for Mrs. Douglas McKay, wife of the Secretary of the Interior, shown above at the door of her Jerris avenue home. With her is her constant companion since her arrival, her little grandson, Danny Green. Mrs. McKay arrived Wednesday night for a 10-day stay at her Salem home.

Mrs. McKay Elated as She Greets Neighbors

By MARIAN LOWEY FISCHER home," was the comment from Mrs. Douglas McKay, wife of the Secretary of the Interior, as she greeted newspaper people at her Jerris avenue home Thursday morning.

Mrs. McKay arrived in Salem late Wednesday night. It is her first visit home since she left for the national capital in early January when former Governor McKay became Secretary of the Interior in President Dwight D. Eisenhower's cabinet.

Mrs. McKay will be here until April 10, visiting her sons-in-law and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hadley and Mr. and Mrs. Lester D. Green, and the five grandchildren. The former first lady of Oregon confessed she has been very homesick for the grandchildren—Danny Green, Ellen, Allan, Bruce and Nancy Hadley.

One of the first things Mrs. McKay did this morning was to dress young Danny Green, two and one-half year old grandson, and she was chuckling over Danny's remark to his mother:

"Oh, we have to move. We have to call the big moving truck."

The Greens are living in the McKay home during the time the McKays are in Washington. "Douglas is working hard and puts in long days," Mrs. McKay said of her husband.

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Wilson Cracks Security Slips

Washington (AP)—Secretary of Defense Wilson has cracked down on security slip-ups he blames on into-service rivalry and lax handling of secret documents.

The nation's security has been affected and "countries hostile to the United States" have picked up vital intelligence, Wilson said, because of recent "leaks."

Two orders by Wilson, disclosed Wednesday by the Pentagon, call for:

1. "A higher degree of security for our official documents." 2. Closer checks on disclosures of technical military data through "inter-service rivalry in the weapons development field."

The directives, dated March 26, were addressed to the secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force, the joint chiefs of staff and other top level officials. Wilson said his instructions "specifically include key executives and military personnel" in Washington.

O'Malley Says 3 Probing Wardens Spent Only 50 Minutes at Prison

Ways-Means OKs Monies for State Colleges

A budget totaling \$28,239,783 for the state board of higher education won approval of the joint ways and means committee Thursday after Senator Howard Belton, chairman of the subcommittee that studied the budget, announced that the committee had issued certain instructions to the board that would result in a much clearer budget two years from now.

Sen. Belton said that the board had long been following a practice of spending legislative funds first and then using funds derived from fees and other sources.

"We have instructed them to reverse this procedure and spend the fee funds first, then the legislative funds, so that if all funds are not expended, the unexpended portion will revert to the general fund," he said.

Hard to Understand Rep. Robert Root, a member of the subcommittee, declared that the board of higher education budget was compiled in a manner that made it impossible for committee members to understand it.

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Oyster Men Ask For Tax Relief

Washington (AP)—Petitions for relief from deficiency assessments amounting to nearly \$75,000 imposed by the Bureau of Internal Revenue were filed in the Federal court here yesterday by Associated Coos Bay Land Owners, Inc., and three stockholder-employees of the corporation, E. R. Erion and J. P. Barton, both of Portland, Ore., and Glenn R. Munkers, Salem, Ore.

The group was connected with extensive litigation growing out of an attempt to develop oyster beds at Coos Bay, Ore., a decade ago.

The alleged deficiencies were assessed for the years 1942-43. The Bureau claimed the following amounts, including penalties, due the government:

Associated Coos Bay Land Owners, Inc., \$48,180; Erion, \$13,242; Barton, \$6655, and Munkers, \$6136.

Car-Train Crash Fatal to Three

Monroe, Wash. (AP)—A car-train crash killed three teenagers at a crossing here at 11 o'clock Wednesday night.

Another was critically injured. The dead were Velma Marie Burns, 15, of Carnation, Jerry E. Patterson, 18, and Herbert Anderson, 18, Monroe.

Elona Perrin, 16, was reported semi-conscious in the Monroe hospital. She was reported to have fractures of the skull, both arms and a broken pelvis. Her home also is near Carnation.

The Burns girl was killed outright as a through Great Northern freight train smashed into the side of the car. Patterson died two hours after the accident and Anderson two hours later.

Coroner Ken Baker said Anderson was driving a 1946 sedan he had bought two weeks ago.

Judge Blinks; Cuts \$1000 From Bail

Portland (AP)—Harold Hatcher, Klamath Indian appearing before Federal Judge Gus J. Solomon to ask for reduction of bail on an assault charge, was asked by the judge if he had ever been in trouble before.

Hatcher's attorney replied: "Just once, your honor, he stole some whiskey once from a judge's room."

O'MALLEY ABANDONS OFFICE



Virgil O'Malley is shown after packing his personal papers Tuesday night, ready to abandon his office as warden of Oregon State Penitentiary. O'Malley was removed from office by a night order from the State Board of Control, and Clarence Gladden, ex-federal prison administrator, immediately took over in his place.

New Warden Outlines Oregon Prison Policies

Oregon's penitentiary will get a sound rehabilitation program based on strict discipline, promises Clarence T. Gladden, its new warden.

Gladden, who retired from the federal prison system last December 31 after 23 years of service, went to work Wednesday, laboring from 6 a.m. until far into the night to see what's going on in the prison.

"I'll have to spend some time to feel my way around here," he said, "and I won't know for a while what changes I'll want to make."

He was hired Tuesday night when the board of control fired Warden Virgil O'Malley on charges that he failed to maintain discipline among the convicts.

Gladden, a kindly looking, friendly 58-year-old man, is determined to maintain strict discipline.

"The prison should have a good training program with education and supervised recreation," he said, "but any rehabilitative program must be tied up with constructive discipline to make it successful."

"I'll give as much training as possible. The inmates must be better prepared to meet competition in society. And we have to change their attitudes toward society."

When Gladden went into retirement, he and his wife moved to Tacoma, Wash., where she has relatives.

But he didn't like being idle, so he welcomed the chance to take over at the Oregon prison.

The state board of control learned about him from James V. Bennett, federal director of prisons, who gave Gladden the highest recommendation.

He's here only on a temporary basis, but that word "temporary" might mean as long as a few years.

Praise and Criticism Greet College Report

Proponents of two bills in the legislature, implementing principal recommendations in the so-called Anderson report, drastically changing curricular allocations among institutions of higher learning, predominated at a meeting held Wednesday night before a joint ways and means committee.

J. F. Cramer, dean of the general extension division of the board of higher education and chairman of the Anderson report committee said that the Anderson study was conducted by Dr. Earl W. Anderson of Ohio State university over a six months period and his recommendations were the basis of two legislative bills, Senate Bill 426 and House Bill 713.

No Attempt to Verify Charges By Witnesses

By JAMES D. OLSON Virgil J. O'Malley, dismissed warden of the Oregon state penitentiary Thursday charged that the three investigating wardens, whose adverse report on conditions at the prison resulted in his dismissal, spent only 50 minutes inside the walls of the penitentiary during their three-day investigation.

In a lengthy statement O'Malley shifted blame for many of the deficiencies contained in the report on Superintendent George Alexander, denied some charges and intimated that the entire investigation was "rigged" against him.

"Previously someone did a pretty good job of organizing the parade of witnesses for the committee," he declared. "Perhaps this would explain why the so-called evidence dovetailed so perfectly."

No Records Inspected O'Malley complained further that the investigators—Wardens Joseph E. Ragan of Illinois, G. Morton Jameson, of South Dakota, and L. E. Clapp of Idaho, had not requested nor inspected records at the prison nor attempted to verify the testimony given by witnesses with official sources.

"I do not believe that any investigator or investigating committee should ever reach any conclusions without at least trying to verify information received from official sources."

"Furthermore, it is my opinion that it is a highly unethical practice for any committee or board evaluating a report to condemn anyone without giving that person a chance to refute the charges."

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Cravens Will Head Big RFC

Washington (AP)—President Eisenhower Thursday nominated Kenton R. Cravens, St. Louis banker, to be administrator of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Cravens would succeed Harry A. McDonald as head of the big government lending agency. McDonald's resignation was accepted Wednesday.

The appointment apparently will be a short-term one since congressional leaders have reported the administration plans either to let the RFC die on June 30, 1954, or perhaps abolish it earlier.

Cravens, a 48-year-old native of Salina, Kans., has been in credit work during his entire business career.

At present he is an executive officer in charge of lending activities and bank operations for the Mercantile Trust company in St. Louis.

Since 1930 he has maintained other business interests, particularly rubber manufacturing.

Split on Control Of Rain Makers

The House and Senate of the Oregon legislature were split Thursday over how rainmakers should be controlled, and it will be left to the Joint Ways and Means committee to try to reach a compromise.

The house voted 52 to 7 Thursday for Rep. Robert Root's bill to license persons who try to change the weather, and at the same time to encourage experiments in that field.

The senate voted last week 18 to 11 for Sen. Ben Day's bill to license the weather control men, but to have severe restrictions imposed on the cloud seeders.

Both Root and Day are from Jackson county, scene of a bitter dispute last year in which the people defeated by only 34 votes a county measure to ban cloud seeding experiments.

The Day bill already is in the Ways and Means committee, and Root told the house he is asking that his be there, too.