

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY CLOUDY tonight, cloudy with occasional rain, Thursday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 38; high Thursday, 60.

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State Building Program Cut To \$8 Million

\$30 Million Program Slashed—Hospital Gets Priority

By JAMES D. OLSON A state building program totaling \$8,137,000 was approved Wednesday by the Joint Ways and Means committee by a unanimous vote of its nine members.

Under the program, which had been recommended by a sub-committee on buildings which has met daily for the past 10 days, provides \$3,827,000 for the state board of control's building program with first priority given to a new wing to the old hospital building at the state hospital in Salem at an estimated cost of \$1,500,000.

Also approved by the committee was the erection of an intermediate institution to be constructed in Salem, for younger prisoners at the state penitentiary and older boys at MacLaren school for boys at Woodburn at a cost of \$1,250,000.

Intermediate Prison

Senator Howard Belton, chairman of the building committee, informed the members of the joint committee that Governor Paul L. Patterson had spoken to officials of the federal prisons as well as Warden Gladden, and it was the consensus of opinion that a suitable institution to meet the needs could be built for the approved sum.

Chairman Belton said the committee had stipulated to the board of control that Ward 28 at the state hospital, a building condemned by the fire marshal, must be abandoned when the new wing of the hospital is completed.

Portland Hospital

In addition the joint board approved \$250,000 for acquiring of a site and drafting plans for a domiciliary hospital near Portland. It was announced (Concluded on Page 5, Column 5)

Optical Price Ad Bill Killed

A bill which would prohibit advertising of prices on optical goods by opticians was tabled in the senate health committee Tuesday by a vote of five to two.

The bill, supported by the licensed optometrists, brought opposition from radio and newspaper representatives, who held that there was no evidence resented to show a need for the legislation.

Carl Webb, secretary of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers association, said that if it was felt that abuses are occurring in the state in the sale of optical goods, the legislature should license opticians and lens makers and not attempt to regulate them by restrictive advertising.

Dr. L. R. Burdette of Salem, declared the bill was aimed at fly-by-night operators who set up street level operations with a "stooge" who was a licensed optometrist with offices upstairs. The "victim", Dr. Burdette declared was rushed up to the "stooge" where he was given a superficial eye examination, a prescription which was filled by the itinerant operator at cut prices.

Gladden to Run State Prison

The new warden of the state penitentiary, Clarence T. Gladden, will get full authority to run the penitentiary as soon as Gov. Paul L. Patterson signs the bill abolishing the position of prison superintendent.

The House passed a Senate bill Tuesday to abolish the dual control system of running the institution that has prevailed for two years.

Under that system, Prison Supt. George Alexander ran the business end of the prison, and ex-Warden Virgil O'Malley had charge of custody.

Under the new system, Gladden will be top man, and under him will be a business manager and two deputy wardens. The prison now has only one deputy warden.

Since the bill contains an emergency clause, it will become law on the day the governor signs it. On that day, Alexander will go on retirement.

OK Teacher Training Plan For Colleges

Ways and Means Approve Anderson Program Report

After a spirited debate the joint ways and means committee Wednesday approved the teacher training program for the Colleges of Education as embodied in the so-called Anderson report to the board of higher education.

The committee also approved, in a divided vote, four-year liberal arts program and full teacher training for elementary and secondary teachers at Portland state college.

Inclusion of liberal arts courses at the colleges of education at Monmouth, Ashland and La Grande was vigorously opposed by Senator Dean Walker of Independence.

Opposed by Walker

Senator Walker condemned the Anderson report on the grounds that it was too narrow and was written by persons interested in teacher training only and not in other important aspects of education.

Both Sen. Walker and Sen. Howard Belton of Canby opposed extension of four-year program at Oregon State, insisting that the state owed something to the private colleges of the state.

"Enrollment in colleges is at a low ebb now," Senator Walker said. "We are told that there will be a large increase in enrollment in the colleges 10 years from now but that is a long time. In the meantime, it would be a sorry day for Oregon if our private educational institutions were forced to close up."

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Publicity Bill Ruled Illegal

The Legislature recalled Wednesday the bill to open up the welfare rolls to inspection after Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton advised Gov. Patterson the bill is unconstitutional.

Thornton ruled that the bill discriminates against newspapers by barring them from publishing the lists, while letting radio stations broadcast the names.

Sponsors of the bill will correct it and try to speed it through both houses again.

Before the bill actually was recalled from the governor, the Joint Ways and Means Committee voted to correct it, by applying the publication ban to radio stations, also.

Gov. Patterson called in the sponsors Wednesday morning and advised them to take the bill back into the Legislature for correction.

Thornton said that nine states have passed similar legislation to make the welfare rolls public, but that only Alabama prohibits newspapers from publishing the names.

'QUIET MAN' WAS WOMAN

Grimsey, England (AP)—John Wilson, 62, a "quiet man" who worked as a cook at the Salvation Army hostel here for 25 years actually was a woman, an autopsy disclosed yesterday.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 60; minimum today, 34. Total 24-hour precipitation: trace for month; .001 normal, 1.57. Season precipitation, 36.76; normal, 33.77. River height, 5.3 at foot. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

Senate Group Votes To Kill Building Grab

Working speedily the senate's committee on welfare and institutions voted out a constitutional amendment to make placement of state buildings throughout the state a political football, with a do-not-pass report.

The committee was divided 3 to 2 with Senators Lampert of Salem, Lowell Steen of Pendleton and Charles Binger of La Grande voting for the majority report to kill the measure. Voting in the minority, for passage of the amendment were Senators Pat Lonergan of Portland and Ben Day of Medford.

The constitutional measure was passed Tuesday in the house after the house had voted down a majority do-not-pass report.

ROUGH GOING IN MORNINGSIDE SCHOOL EXCAVATION



Boulders in large numbers, some of them as much as 10 feet in diameter, were encountered by workmen engaged in lowering the grade for the new elementary school on South 12th Street.

Marble Soon To Be on Way

The first carload of marble for use on the exterior of the new Marion county courthouse is expected to leave the quarry in the state of Vermont within the next two weeks, Claude Post of the contracting firm of Viesko and Post informed the county court Wednesday.

Post urged that immediate action be taken concerning the inscription that will be made on the slab of marble that will face the cornerstone since the first carload is expected to contain marble that will be used on the wing that will contain the cornerstone.

Judge Rex Hartley indicated he would get in touch with the architects immediately. The inscription will include the words "Marion County Court House, 1954."

The matter of laying the cornerstone will be determined by the contractors.

A bronze plaque, on which names of members of the county court, the contractors and architects will be inscribed, will be placed in one of the corridors of the building.

Chaplin Plans To Stay Abroad

Washington (AP)—British movie comedian Charlie Chaplin has surrendered his U. S. re-entry permit, indicating he does not intend to resume residence in this country.

The action was announced Wednesday by the Justice Department. The department last year posted a stop order against Chaplin at all American ports, after he had gone to Europe on a visit.

That order, made effective by former Attorney General James P. McGranery, requires that the actor submit to re-examination upon his return, to establish his re-admissibility to the United States.

Attorney General Brownell said, however, that he has been informed by the State Department that when Chaplin was in Geneva, Switzerland, last Friday he voluntarily surrendered his re-entry permit to U. S. State Department authorities there.

Huge Rocks Unearthed In School Excavation

One of the toughest jobs of excavation in connection with the building programs of the Salem public schools has been encountered on the Morningside site where contractors are engaged in lowering the grade about five feet.

Hundreds of boulders, many of them eight and 10 feet in diameter, have been encountered as the work progresses. The job is nearing completion and it is expected the ground will be ready shortly for the placing of foundations of the new elementary school.

The school board purchased 10 acres of land for the project several months ago. It is hoped to have the building ready for the opening of classes next fall.

Wednesday the contractors had three large power-operated shovels, two big bulldozers, an air compressor and a large crew of men working to remove the boulders and earth.

The air compressor is used to drill holes in the larger boulders which are then cracked by the use of explosives. Many of the huge rocks have been shoved to the lower elevation of the property for fill purposes. Many truckloads of others have been hauled to the Candalaria school site.

The Morningside school is located atop the hill south of Salem on the 12th street cut-off. Heavy traffic that currently exists there is expected to subside materially when the by-pass being constructed east of Salem is completed.

\$2,671,000 Cut Off BPA Budget

Washington (AP)—Testimony before the House Appropriations committee published today disclosed that the Interior department has cut \$2,671,000 from the Bonneville Power administration's budget for the year beginning July 1st.

The Bonneville budget was submitted to Congress by former President Truman.

Dr. Paul J. Raver, agency administrator, testified that Bonneville itself had saved \$1,900,000 during fiscal 1955, which would be available for use in carrying out the 1954 program.

Atomic Plant Strike Ended

Albuquerque, N. M. (AP)—A walkout of 2,500 workers at Sandia Base, sprawling atomic center, was called off Wednesday when Sandia Corporation and union representatives reached an interim agreement.

Leaders of the two unions involved said they would notify pickets on duty at the three main gates by noon to return to work.

Details of the interim agreement were not made public. But the issues at stake have not been settled. A. C. McGraw, international representative of the AFL International Association of Machinists, said negotiations on a new union contract will continue.

No disturbances were reported at the atomic center where atomic weapons are assembled.

Members of the Atomic Projects and Production Workers Metal Trades Council AFL and local 251, Office Employees International Union AFL took the strike vote Tuesday night. They seek a 25 cent an hour wage increase, a union shop and protection of vacation benefits.

DETECTIVE BURGLARIZED

Detroit (AP)—William D. Clinton said he woke up yesterday to find his six-room flat had been burglarized while he, his wife and three children were asleep. Clinton is a detective assigned to the special investigation bureau.

War Planned as a Slowdown

Army Official Says Budget Figures Based On Quick Ending

Washington (AP)—Sen. Byrd (D., Va.) said Wednesday it appeared the army had been planning for the Korean war under defense department instructions which virtually amounted to a slowdown order.

Byrd's reaction came after Lt. Gen. George H. Decker, army comptroller, told senators that each budget since the war began carried with it a directive that the military chiefs "for budgetary purposes only" were to assume the war would be over by the following June 30.

At the outset, this meant budgeting figures were based on the assumption it would be over in six months or so; in subsequent years, that it would be over in the 12 months of the fiscal year beginning each July 1.

Byrd insisted the directive amounted in a fact to a policy determining the conduct of the war. And Decker said it had played a major part in the ammunition shortage.

Decker was the main witness as a senate armed services subcommittee resumed hearings on Korean ammunition shortages as reported from the field.

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Life Term for Slayer of Two

Coquille, (AP)—Florence Martes Fuertes, 38, an assistant cook on a lumber freighter, Wednesday pleaded guilty to two charges of second degree murder.

Circuit Judge Dan M. King sentenced her to life in prison on each count.

Fuertes, a Puerto Rican, pleaded guilty to shooting to death Mrs. Maysel Alice Pressnell, 25, North Bend, and her escort, Harold Carter, 25, Hauser, Ore. The shooting occurred after Mrs. Pressnell refused to dance with Fuertes at a Coos Bay night spot March 28.

Five other persons were wounded before Fuertes was subdued.

Fuertes, whose ship was tied up at Coos Bay at the time, was indicted on two charges of first degree murder, but was permitted to plead guilty to the lesser charges when his trial opened Wednesday.

Sheriff William F. Howell and Deputy Richard Jones left with him immediately for the state penitentiary at Salem.

Accidental Bomb Causes 3 Casualties

Seoul, Korea (AP)—An Allied warplane accidentally dropped a bomb on the 10th Corps sector of the eastern front today, causing three casualties, the Eighth Army announced.

Reports from the sector said one South Korean was killed and two were injured.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK

Gov. Paul Patterson has designated the week of April 13-19 as Sunday School week in Oregon.

ICC to Pass on OMS Purchase

An Interstate Commerce Commission hearing on the application for transfer to Pacific Greyhound lines of the long lines of the Oregon Motor Stages bus system was scheduled to be held in Portland on May 1.

Oregon Public Utilities Commissioner Charles H. Heltzel yesterday approved transfer of the OMS line.

Under the proposal approved by Heltzel, Greyhound would take over Oregon Motor Stage routes between Portland, Corvallis, McMinnville, Seaside, Astoria and intermediate points, and between Corvallis and Newport.

The transfer would mean that OMS would be reduced to an interurban system serving Portland, Oregon City, Forest Grove, Vernonia and other points near Portland.

Final approval of the transfer lies with the ICC.

Ike to Make Major Speech On Peace Plan

Augusta, Ga. (AP)—The White House announced today that President Eisenhower's speech in Washington tomorrow will be a major discussion of current efforts to end the Korean war and "the chance for peace for all peoples of the world in 1953."

The president flies to the capital tomorrow, breaking into his week's vacation here, to address the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

The president will speak at 10 a.m. PST. The speech will be carried by all the major radio and television networks.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerly said "it will be a major speech on foreign policy and the chance for peace for all peoples of the world in 1953."

The speech is being "kept open" for last-minute revisions paced to changing world conditions.

Reds Seek to Kill Off NATO

Berlin (AP)—East Germany's No. 1 Communist declared Wednesday that the Soviet Union seeks a four-power conference on the reunification of Germany and demanded that the United States "show its readiness to accept."

Deputy Premier Walter Ulbricht, who controls the ruling Socialist Unity Communist Party as secretary general, spearheaded the new unity campaign with a front-page statement here in the official Soviet newspaper, Tagliche Rundschau.

The statement was issued after consultation with Russia's occupation chieftain, Gen. Vasily Chulikov, who was unofficially reported to have received instructions from Moscow to draft a new set of proposals on German unification.

The first big objective, Ulbricht said, is to kill off West Germany's "illegal" treaties of military and political alliance with the Western power.

Harry L. Anstinger, U. S. federal narcotics commissioner, told the U. N. Commission on Narcotic Drugs that Chinese, Korean and Japanese communists, carrying out orders from a Peiping-directed network, had gotten fabulously rich during the past year in their smuggling trade to Japan, South Korea and other Far Eastern areas.

In a 24-page report, Anstinger gave details of the Red smuggling ring's operations, particularly in Japan from where, he said, considerable amounts of heroin finally reached the United States.

Red dope peddlers in Japan, he said, "are using street girls to sell heroin to American military personnel."

Indochina Reds Invade Laos

Salgon, Indochina (AP)—The Communist-led Vietminh continued Wednesday to bolster its invasion of Laos, pouring more thousands of troops into the little mountain Indochinese kingdom.

French and Laotian forces made ready what looked like a second stand to block the invaders.

The Laos government, meanwhile, broadcast an appeal to the United Nations and all free people to condemn the "criminal" invasion by the Red guerrillas.

The French and their allies were reported concentrating on the town of Xiengkhouang for a stand such as they successfully made last winter at Nason, in the Thai country to the north.

British Stocks Boom On Word of Tax Cut

London (AP)—The stock market boomed today as the result of Chancellor of Exchequer R. A. Butler's tax cutting budget.

Brokers lined up to buy in the sections devoted to government bonds and gilt-edged industrial securities.

War loan bonds jumped \$1.40 to a new high of \$327.50.

6 Killed, 19 Injured In Cascade Plane Crash

Selleck, Wash. (AP)—Army buddies, fresh from basic training, told today how they huddled around the wreckage of a DC-3 and "called to each other trying to find out who was alive and who was dead."

Six persons were killed and 19 injured yesterday when the Miami Airlines plane ramed into the jagged Cascade mountains in early morning darkness.

The plane ramed against Cedar mountain after the pilot, Capt. A. J. Lerette Jr., Miami, Fla., radioed Boeing Field control tower at Seattle that one engine had failed and the wings were icing.

2 Convoys of POW Sighted On Red Roads

Allied Fliers Still Trying to Find 3rd Convoy on Busy Highway

Munsan, Korea (AP)—U.S. fliers Wednesday spotted two convoys of allied sick and wounded rolling south high up in North Korea along roads jammed with Red military traffic and bristling with anti-aircraft guns that fired on the spotter planes.

Pilots still were trying to find a third convoy. The communists said the three convoys began the trek southward Tuesday carrying about half of the 600 disabled prisoners the Reds will free next Monday. A communist correspondent said some in the three convoys were Americans.

The communists apparently were taking advantage of the immunity from allied attack to pour in military supplies.

One pilot watched the masses of Red military trucks and declared: "In all my 98 missions over North Korea I've never seen so many trucks on the road."

Arrogant communist sick and wounded staged a sit-down strike at the other end of the repatriation road, the port of Pusan in southeast Korea, but gave up and went ashore when allied guards with bayonets came aboard their landing ship.

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Accuse Reds of Huge Dope Ring

United Nations, N. Y. (AP)—The U. S. accused Red China Wednesday of operating a vast dope ring to sabotage U. S. troop morale and to earn huge quantities of dollars and strategic materials.

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Strike Delays Atomic Plant

Richland, Wash. (AP)—A strike of 650 office employees against Kaiser Engineers halted the main construction project at the Hanford Atomic Works Wednesday. A wage increase dispute is involved.

Picketing by the Office Employees' Union (AFL) kept an estimated 4,500 construction workers from entering the gates of the atomic project reservation, where the Kaiser firm has the contract for a 110 million dollar expansion project.

Production operations of the Hanford project itself were not affected.

Most of the members of the striking union are women. Their strike has the endorsement of the Pasco-Kennewick Central Labor Council (AFL).

Korean Casualties Now Total 133,463

Washington, (AP)—American battle casualties now total 133,463 an increase of 498 over last week's report, the Defense Department announced today.

Although the report was a sharp drop from the 1,039 casualties announced in last week's report, the figure still was the second highest since last Nov. 19. It reflected recent heavy action on Old Baldy and other Korean hills.

The casualties include all those whose next of kin were notified through last Friday.

The new totals: 23,694 dead, 96,868 wounded, 9,149 missing, 2,358 captured, and 1,394 previously missing but returned to military control.