

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY CLEAR tonight, Sunday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 46; high Sunday, 58.

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Truckers Get Invitation to Prepare Bill

Theories at Hearing Have no Weight With Committee

By JAMES D. OLSON Representatives of big truck operators in Oregon have been extended an invitation to prepare a bill amending the weight-mile tax law for consideration of the legislative highway interim committee.

The invitation was extended to the truckers by Rep. Ed Geary of Klamath Falls, chairman of the committee, who stressed that the committee was not interested in theories or arguments but wanted a legislative bill to consider.

A similar invitation was extended to the truckers by the 1951-53 legislative highway interim committee but representatives of the truckers failed to present any proposed change in the law, even though they have contended that the law burdens the truckers with excessive highway use taxes.

The offer to the truckers, made with the blessing of the entire committee membership came at a hearing in Portland Friday, after members of the committee frankly stated that the truckers had failed in proving a previously made charge that there was a 32 per cent evasion of truck taxes in 1951.

Jess N. Rosenberg, general counsel for the Western Highway Institute of San Francisco, an organization which carries on research work for western truck organizations, in summing up testimony declared that he felt both the Public Utility Commissioner of Oregon and the state highway department were in error.

Goon Terrorism In Kansas City

Washington (AP)—House investigators reported Saturday they have turned up evidence of "appalling violence" and "gangster tactics" in a labor dispute in Kansas City. The House members recommended that the federal government study the record for possible criminal prosecution.

The report was filed by a House labor subcommittee headed by Rep. Wint Smith (R., Kan.). The unit's hearings followed a long squabble in Kansas City which idled as many as 25,000 workers for nearly two months.

Senate Delays Debt Limit Bill

Washington (AP)—The Senate Finance Committee Saturday put off, at least until later in the day, any decision on President Eisenhower's request for a 15 billion dollar increase in the national debt ceiling.

The committee met for three hours and then recessed for lunch. Chairman Miliken (R., Colo.) said no vote had been taken yet and that the members would be called into session Saturday afternoon.

The time was uncertain because some committee members must meet with House conferees in an effort to break a deadlock on a bill to extend the reciprocal trade agreement program.

Moving Old Parsonage Scheduled Next Week

An agreement between the city of Salem and the Marion County Historical Society for removal of the Parsonage to Marion Square for its preservation and restoration was signed Friday afternoon by Hugh Morrow, president, and Herbert J. Salisbury, secretary of the society.

It will be signed by Mayor Al Loucks and City Recorder Alfred Mundt for the city.

The house will be moved by the firm of Bales & Brady some time next week from its present location on 13th street to Marion Square.

Signing of the agreement by the historical society was authorized at a meeting of the board of trustees Thursday night. It provides for a one-year trial effort by the society to make the house financially independent of city aid. If an adequate financial program is not achieved by that time the house will be turned over to the city for disposal. The agreement is renewable at the end

Taft Funeral In Rotunda of U.S. Capitol

Congress and Top Officials Invited for Monday Services

Washington (AP)—Sen. Robert A. Taft will be honored with a state funeral in the capitol Monday, with President Eisenhower and other dignitaries joining in the service.

The Senate, in which Taft served as majority leader, invited the government leaders to take part and the White House said the President, "of course, will attend."

The services will be in the rotunda, at 11 a.m., EST.

The last state funeral held in the capitol was for Gen. John J. Pershing, July 19, 1948.

Jack Martin, administrative assistant to the late Senate leader, announced the decision for a state funeral was reached at a conference in the office of J. Mark Trice, secretary of the Senate.

Lists of Guests Noted A little later, Sen. Knowland (R., Calif.) the acting majority leader, offered a resolution scheduling the memorial service and it was immediately approved unanimously by the Senate.

Marines Pay Homage to Dead

Western Front (AP)—A battalion of grim-faced Marines stood at stiff attention in a crude open air theater last night to pay homage to their dead and missing comrades of the final three weeks of the Korean War.

The depleted ranks of the Second Battalion, Seventh Regiment, First Marine Division stood as statues during the sunset ceremony. Last call and taps were sounded for the 25 members who died fighting off the overwhelming Chinese assaults against Outpost Berlin. Seven other Marines were listed as missing in that action, also.

A chaplain called upon the men to dedicate themselves to "the things for which our comrades gave their lives." Taps sounded. A final rifle salute was fired and the men, quiet and with heads bowed, filed away.

Surplus Food Bill Sent Ike

Washington (AP)—The Senate completed congressional action Saturday on President Eisenhower's request for authority to send surplus food to friendly people abroad, relieve famine or meet other emergencies.

After a brief explanation by Sen. Aiken (R., Vt.), it unanimously approved a compromise bill allowing use of up to 100 million dollars worth of surplus until next March 15.

The House passed the bill Friday, 143-15. Before the House took up the measure, a Senate-House conference had eliminated a provision to limit the total sent any nation to 20 million dollars.

Four Killed in Blast

Taipei, Formosa (AP)—Press reports from Keelung, a northern Formosa port, said at least four workers were killed and about 30 seriously injured today in an explosion as divers were working on a sunken steamer.

125 Dope Addicts Caught in Roundup

Philadelphia (AP)—Nearly 100 policemen and detectives in a long-planned raid last night arrested 125 suspected narcotic addicts.

Police said it was the biggest roundup of suspected addicts ever undertaken in Philadelphia.

Four physicians were on hand to examine those arrested in poolrooms, restaurants, apartments, taprooms and other places suspected as hangouts for addicts, pushers and suppliers of narcotics.

SHOT DOWN BY RUSSIAN FIGHTERS



Captain John Ernest Roche (left) of Washington, D.C., copilot and only survivor of an Air Force B-50 which was shot down by Russian fighter planes over the Japan Sea, tells his story in Tokyo to General O. P. Weyland, commander of the Far East Air Force. Roche was rescued after 22 hours on the open sea. (UP Radio-Telephoto)

Ike To Fly to Seattle Meet

Washington (AP)—The White House announced Saturday that President Eisenhower will fly to Seattle, Wash., Monday to attend the annual governors conference.

The President will leave Washington shortly after attending state funeral services for Sen. Taft at the capitol Monday morning.

The departure time will depend on the length of the services, but Eisenhower is expected to get away from National Airport about 12:30 p. m. EST. The trip to Seattle will be non-stop.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerly said the President will attend some of the roundtable discussions at the governors conference Tuesday morning and would attend a luncheon that day.

The President will make no formal address, Hagerly said, adding that he is expected to have some informal remarks to make.

The President will start back from Seattle Tuesday afternoon or evening and will be back at the White House in time for his daily work schedule Wednesday.

Portland Host To Governors

Portland (AP)—Portland played host to nine of the nation's governors today in a stopover while en route to the annual governors' conference in Seattle.

Gov. Johnston Murray of Oklahoma was the first to arrive last night, followed by Gov. John S. Fine of Pennsylvania and Gov. Norman Brundage of North Dakota.

Gov. Paul Patterson of Oregon invited the governors to Portland and is leading the party on a tour of the Columbia river gorge and Mt. Hood today.

Others arriving were Governors James F. Byrnes of South Carolina, Francis Chery of Arkansas, John Lodge of Connecticut, Burton M. Cross of Maine, Theodore McKeldin of Maryland and Hugh Gregg of New Hampshire.

Refugee Bill Sent President

Washington (AP)—The senate passed and sent to the president Saturday an emergency immigration bill providing for the admission of 214,000 Iron Curtain refugees and other aliens in the next three years.

The compromise measure was approved in the senate by a voice vote which overrode arguments by Sen. McCarran (D., Nev.), that it involved risks to the nation's security.

The house had approved the bill Friday night by a vote of 190 to 39.

Eisenhower had originally asked for the admission of 240,000 immigrants in two years.

Peach Growers Lease Cannery

San Francisco (AP)—The growers of California's multi-million dollar peach crop Saturday appeared willing to act on a proposal by striking cannery workers that the growers lease and operate struck canneries.

Already farmers at Kingsburg, Fresno County, have arranged to lease cannery facilities from the California Packing Corp.

Million East Germans Get US Food Packages

Berlin (AP)—Defying Communist arrests and confiscations, new masses of hungry East Germans swarmed into West Berlin today to snatch up free Western food parcels.

Distribution of the American financed gifts was due to pass the 1,000,000 mark during the day.

In the crowds, as the gigantic give-away rolled through its sixth day, were the vanguards of a week-end of thousands of Russian zone factory workers, using their day off to "come and get it." They include employees of the huge Leuna synthetic gasoline refinery and other large state-owned industries.

Union Sued by Lumber Firm

Tacoma, Wash. (AP)—Damages of more than \$500,000 were asked by the St. Paul and Tacoma Lumber company Friday in a suit that charged a striking union with violating a "no strike" clause in a contract.

The suit was filed in U.S. District Court against the International Woodworkers of America (CIO) local 23-9 of the union and officers of the local.

The lumber company asked that it be reimbursed for damages amounting to \$20,000 per day for the duration of the strike plus other special damages "estimated at this time as \$500,000."

The strike started July 25 after a dispute over working conditions.

The clause on which the suit is based states that "during the life of this agreement, no strike shall be caused or sanctioned by the union and no lockouts shall be entered upon by the employer until every peaceable method of settlement shall have been tried."

Reorganization Goes Into Effect

Washington (AP)—The last four of President Eisenhower's 10 government reorganization plans took effect Saturday, giving him an unblemished record of success on such proposals in this Congress.

The four plans: 1. Set up a new foreign operations administration to handle all of the foreign aid programs now scattered in various agencies. It would get policy guidance from the State Department but be independent.

2. Establish a new independent U. S. information agency to take over the Voice of America and other such units now in the State department as well as the overseas information offices of the Mutual Security Agency.

3. Increase the administrative authority of the chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers as part of a move to reinvigorate that agency which has languished since Congress cut off its funds four months ago.

4. Transfer airmail subsidies; estimated at about 80 million dollars a year, from the Postoffice Department to the Civil Aeronautics Board. This is aimed at cutting into the postal deficit, estimated at about 600 millions this year.

Red Attack on B-50 Wanton Says Co-Pilot

Exchange of POW Begins Next Tuesday

Panmunjom (AP)—The war prisoners exchange which will bring back to freedom 12,763 western fighting men, including 3,313 Americans who fell into Red hands, will begin at 9 a. m. next Wednesday, 5 p. m., Tuesday PDT.

Col. Lee Pyung Il, North Korean representative to the joint committee for prisoner repatriation, said 100 men will be returned per hour to the United Nations for four hours each day, starting at 9 a. m., Aug. 5.

He also asked the United Nations to revise its schedule for release of its prisoners to return able bodied Red prisoners before the Red sick and wounded are released.

The U. N. originally had planned to return to the Reds 360 sick and wounded men among the first group of 2,400 Reds scheduled to be handed over on the first day. Col. Lee said the Reds preferred delivery of able-bodied men first.

The Communist Peiping Radio said at least 400 of the Communist-held prisoners including an unspecified number of sick and wounded Americans, already have started moving south on railway lines the Reds repaired this week.

It was estimated it will take at least a month to complete the exchange of some 86,000 prisoners, 74,000 held by the United Nations and 12,763, including 3,313 Americans, held by the Communists.

Neutral Group Holds Session

Munsan (AP)—The four-nation neutral commission which will police the Korean armistice met at Panmunjom today for the first time and heard the Communists' chief military armistice delegate wish it success.

Meanwhile, the first group of Allied prisoners was reported on its way down the road to freedom and the U. N. Command prepared a full dress reception rehearsal for Monday to speed their homeward journey. The prisoners exchange is scheduled to begin Wednesday at Panmunjom.

The neutral commission officers from Sweden, Switzerland, Poland and Czechoslovakia were introduced and exchanged credentials in a formal meeting at the dusty truce site.

The commission's chief function is to watch for violations of the armistice.

Maj. Gen. Blackshear M. Bryan, the Allies' senior delegate to the U. N.-Red Military Armistice Commission, introduced the Swiss and Swedish representatives. Lt. Gen. Lee Sang Cho, Bryan's counterpart on the commission, introduced the Poles and Czechs.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 80; minimum today, 44. Total 24-hour precipitation: 0.1 for month; 0; normal, .01. Season precipitation, 43.29; normal, 32.31. River level, 3.1 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

Congress Stays on Job Until Debt Limit Action

Washington (AP)—Sen. Knowland (R., Calif.) said Saturday Congress may be kept in session indefinitely until the President's request to increase the national debt limit 15 billion dollars is disposed of.

The acting Republican leader said the length of this session could not be determined until it is known just what the Senate Finance Committee will do with President Eisenhower's request to up the debt limit to 290 billion dollars.

The House already has approved the increase in a debt limit but there has been vigorous opposition to the proposal on the Senate side, mostly from Democrats.

Knowland and his Republican lieutenants had been aiming at adjournment by mid-

Red Cross Gets Green Light in North Korea

Munsan (AP)—U. N. Red Cross teams Saturday got the green light from the Communists to cross into North Korea Monday to ease the homeward journey of Allied war prisoners.

The mercy teams will carry comfort packages and medical supplies to U. N. men held captive in bleak North Korean camps.

The exchange of prisoners begins Wednesday, two days after the Red Cross workers pass through the bamboo curtain to aid the captives.

This will be the first time since the Korean war started more than three years ago that the Reds have allowed American and other U. N. representatives to enter Red-ruled territory on this peninsula.

All during the war, the all-Swiss International Red Cross appealed to the Reds to allow them entry, but the Communists each time snubbed the requests.

GOP Senators Caucus Tuesday

Washington (AP)—Senate Republicans called a party caucus today for next Tuesday to elect a GOP leader to succeed Robert A. Taft.

The call was issued at a meeting of the Senate Republican policy committee. It reversed earlier indications that the choice of Taft's successor would go over until January.

Sen. William F. Knowland, Calif., policy committee chairman and acting floor leader, announced that all GOP senators will meet for the election at 2 p. m. EDT Tuesday, three hours after Taft's burial in Cincinnati.

Knowland declined to say whether he will be a candidate for the leadership. He said he would make no announcement before Taft's burial.

Clark Flies to New Orleans

New Orleans (AP)—Gen. Mark Clark, United Nations Far East commander, is scheduled to arrive here today to attend the wedding of his son to a New Orleans socialite.

The general and Mrs. Clark are to arrive by plane late this afternoon from San Francisco.

The general's son, Maj. William Clark, an infantry instructor at Ft. Benning, is marrying Mrs. Audrey Claire Loflin, attractive divorcee and former amateur swimming star, here Monday.

The general's headquarters said he would fly to Washington after the wedding to attend top-level army conferences before returning to Tokyo about August 10.

Dulles Off to South Korea

Washington (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles will take off for Korea Saturday without four Senate leaders on whose help he had counted on concluding a defense treaty with South Korean President Syngman Rhee.

Acting Republican leader Knowland, of California, Democratic leader Lyndon Johnson of Texas and Sens. Russell, D., Ga., and H. Alexander Smith, R., N.J., announced late Friday they felt they should remain in Washington to work on President Eisenhower's request for an increase in the national debt limit. They said this request has delayed the adjournment of Congress previously set for Saturday.

Dulles expressed regret that the four would not be able to accompany him. But he announced that he had to leave Sunday morning in order to hold his scheduled talks with Rhee and return here before the opening of the United Nations General Assembly at New York Aug. 17. He said he hopes to get back to Washington by Aug. 10.

Plane Blasted 40 Miles From Russian Area

Tokyo (AP)—"It was absolutely an unprovoked attack," said the co-pilot of an American B50 shot down at sea in a Russian jet attack off Siberia Wednesday.

Capt. John E. Roche, today directly contradicted Moscow charges that the big bomber and its 17-man crew were over Siberia near the Red naval base, Vladivostok, and that the Americans fired first. Roche told a news conference: "We were definitely 40 miles from Russian territory. Our navigation is almost infallible. It was visual, Loran and Q13 radar. We weren't any closer than 40 miles."

Shot Off Both Wings

Roche, 28, said a Mig jet with Russian insignia flashed in and blasted one of the bomber's four engines. Then, so quickly that it might have been a different Mig, an engine on the other wing was shot up.

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Soviet Protest Rejected by US

Washington (AP)—The United States Saturday rejected Russia's protest that American pilots shot down a Soviet plane. Instead, the State Department said, Russia bears the responsibility for sending the plane into "the Korean zone of hostilities."

The Russian protest, handed to U. S. Ambassador Charles Bohlen in Moscow Friday, claimed the plane was destroyed and 21 lives were lost when four U. S. fighters attacked it over Chinese territory north of the Korean boundary last Monday, about 10 hours before the cease fire became effective.

The United States replied Saturday that the attack by a U. S. fighter plane under the U. N. command actually occurred "inside" Korean territory approximately eight miles from the Yalu river.

This it said, was in the Korean combat zone.

The U. S. reply was contained in note sent by messenger from the U. S. embassy to the Soviet Foreign Office in Moscow. The State Department released the text of that note plus an unofficial translation of the Soviet note.

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London (AP)—Communist East Germany and Soviet satellite Albania have signed a "cultural agreement" for 1953-54 in Tirana, Tirana radio reported today.