

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY CLOUDY, occasional rain tonight, Wednesday. Some clearing Wednesday afternoon. Continued mild. Low tonight, 45; high Wednesday, 54.

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Cons Cannot Pick Crops on Private Land

Attorney General Holds 30-Year Practice to Be Illegal

By JAMES D. OLSON
Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton Tuesday ruled the state board of control lacked any legal authority to utilize penitentiary convicts in harvesting crops, on privately owned lands.

It has been the practice for the last 30 years for the state to buy crops from owners of private lands, paying a fixed price, always below the market price, less picking costs using penitentiary inmates to do the picking.

Occasionally, agreements have been made with owners for picking or harvesting fruit or vegetables on a share basis, the crop being picked by convicts and divided on an agreed basis between the owner and the state.

Cites Authority

In an opinion the attorney general cites legislative authority for temporary use of convict labor outside the confines of the penitentiary.

Such authority includes use of convicts on public highways and in or about any state institutions; use of convicts in any useful work in state lands providing it does not compete with free labor and establishment of forestry camps and use of convicts with minimum security classifications.

No Law Found

But the attorney general holds that other than these exceptions he is unable to find implication in any one of the permissive provisions of the law giving the board authority to use convicts to harvest crops on private lands, or for sharecropping.

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Royal Couple At Bermuda

Hamilton, Bermuda (AP)—Queen Elizabeth II flew today to this holidaying pleasure island—and a royal welcome—for the first official stop on her round-the-world Commonwealth tour.

The young monarch and the Duke of Edinburgh left Gander, Nfld., early today for the 1,265-mile flight in the big American-built Stratocruiser.

Bermuda Gov. Sir Alexander Hood headed the party to welcome the Queen and her husband in an airport ceremony, the first event of their crowded one-day stay. The royal couple will take off again tomorrow for Jamaica to continue the six-month tour. They will visit Australia, Ceylon, New Zealand and 10 British possessions and protectorates.

Highlights of their Bermuda program included a tour of the island, a speech of welcome and response by the Queen at a joint meeting of the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council, the governor's garden party and a state dinner at Government House tonight.

Robins States 3 Dams Justified

Washington (AP)—A former assistant chief of Army Engineers said Tuesday dams in the Army's master flood control plan for the Columbia River Basin are justified by the engineers on a power production basis.

T. M. Robins, a retired major general, made the statement at a Power Commission hearing on applications by Idaho Power Co. to build three low level dams in the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon.

"They're all justified by power production," Robins said under cross examination by Mrs. Evelyn Cooper, attorney for groups favoring federal construction of a high level dam in Hells Canyon in the same area.

This was in reply to a question as to whether Army Engineers evaluate projects from a multiple purpose point of view instead of only a flood control basis.

Russia Told To Cease Plots Against U.S.

Must End Seeking Violent Overthrow To Win Friendship

United Nations, N. Y. (AP)—The United States said Tuesday the only way Russia can win American friendship is to "give up seeking the violent overthrow of the United States."

Chief U. S. Delegate Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. told the U. N. 60 nation Political Committee the Soviet Union "admits it is plotting our destruction." He said this naturally caused a strong reaction among the American people and press.

Lodge departed from the prepared text of a speech in which he urged the U. N. to junk each and every part of Russia's model peace plan to make his tough charges against the Soviet Union.

Persecution of Religion
He said the reason the Russians are viewed with "something less than affection" in the United States is because of their self admitted campaign to overthrow the American government and way of life.

Another reason, Lodge said, is communist persecution of religion as exemplified in the recent arrest of Poland's Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński. He said "this has aroused religious people throughout the world."

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Hunter Safe Searchers Lost

Victoria, B.C. (AP)—A missing hunter turned up safely Monday but three men who joined the large scale search for him became lost themselves, RCMP said Tuesday.

The three men had not come out of bush country in the Cooke area 20 miles northeast of here by morning.

Missing are Herbert Smith, 53, Ronald Knight, 30, and George Bishop, 30, all of Victoria. At one time, eight members of the 1,500 man search party seeking 30 year old Ronald Murray, were reported missing. Five of them struggled in late Monday night.

Murray was cold and hungry but otherwise unharmed when searchers discovered him. He was brought to a hospital here for a check up and later released.

Advocate Cut In Foreign Aid

Washington (AP)—Two prominent Republicans, both having first hand knowledge of European affairs, say United States financial aid to foreign nations can and should be reduced.

Their reason: Western Europe has recovered sufficiently, with the help of the United States, to maintain substantially its current defense budgets.

The two, House Speaker Joseph Martin of Massachusetts and director Harold E. Stassen, of the Foreign Operations Administration (FOA), said they believe U.S. economic aid can be terminated except in a few cases.

Martin expressed his views at a news conference Monday upon his return from a two month tour of Europe. He said his trip led him to believe "we are going to have peace."

State Makes Gain from Active Texas Gas Well

The State of Oregon stands to possibly benefit financially from a newly developed gas well in the heart of Texas, as the result of a bequest under the Britanna G. Fulton estate probated some 15 years ago.

This became known Tuesday when the state board of control received a letter from the Shamrock Oil and Gas Corporation of Amarillo, Texas, notifying the board the company had recently developed a gas well on property on which the state has a portion of mineral rights. The company said that it planned to sell gas from the well and asked the board to execute an order for a division of the royalties among the various owners of the mineral rights.

The Eastern Oregon Tuberculosis hospital is the direct beneficiary of the estate as is the Children's Home at Cor-

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Spy Interview Not Prevented

New York (AP)—Foreign Secretary Lester B. Pearson said Tuesday Canada would not prevent American authorities from questioning Igor Gouzenko, the man who broke the Canadian spy ring case of the last war.

He said, however, Canada can't guarantee to maintain the anonymity under which the former Russian embassy clerk has been living, if he wants to come to the United States.

The senate internal security subcommittee headed by Sen. Jenner (R., Ind.) has been trying to get Gouzenko to come to Washington for questioning on possible American ramifications of the exposed Canadian spy ring.

Pearson told a U.N. correspondents association luncheon Tuesday that Canada has cooperated fully with the United States in inquiries into subversive activities in the past.

Aussies Swipe Atomic Gear

Canberra, Australia (AP)—A high government source said Tuesday that "sovereigning run wild" resulted in the lifting by Australian troops of secret British atomic gear from the Woomera rocket range in South Australia.

The informant said that British scientists at the site, where Britain recently set off atomic explosions, apparently had told the Australian soldiers they could have certain gear not worth the expense of returning to Britain. This included generators and radio equipment.

The troop interpreted liberally the permission given them, taking some secret electronic gear, the informant said, adding: "You know how Australian troops are. They made the most of the situation."

"Britain did not tell Australia that equipment had been abandoned at Emu plains."

U.S. Court Hears Gateway Case

Omaha (AP)—A three-judge federal court Tuesday was to hear arguments of the Interstate Commerce Commission and opponents of an injunction in the Ogden Gateway freight rate case.

The Union Pacific railroad, ordered by the ICC to establish through routes and joint rates with the Denver and Rio Grande Western railway, is seeking the injunction.

Attorneys for a number of interveners in on the side of the Union Pacific Monday told the court, in effect, the proposal does not serve the public interest but rather the interest of the D&RGW.

One of them John H. Carlin, representing the Oregon Public Service Commission, declared the joint rate proposal "could not but adversely affect the economy" of Pacific Northwest states.

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Death Row Interview On Missing Ransom

Jefferson City, Mo. (AP)—Chief of Police Jeremiah O'Connell of St. Louis will get one last chance to quiz condemned kidnaper killer Carl Austin Hall and Bonnie Brown Heady about the missing ransom money in the Bobby Greenlease kidnaping case.

Thomas E. Whitecotton, state director of corrections, told newsmen Tuesday the St. Louis chief of police would be granted permission for the death row interview. But he did not know when it would be held.

The pair are to die in the gas chamber at the state penitentiary December 18, a week before Christmas.

Chief O'Connell asked permission Monday to question Hall and Mrs. Heady about the ransom money in the Bobby Greenlease kidnaping case.

Ike Visits Son At Ft. Benning

Ft. Benning, Ga. (AP)—President and Mrs. Eisenhower arrived here Tuesday at noon, en route to Augusta, Ga., where they will spend Thanksgiving week.

The presidential plane, the Columbine, was met by Maj. John D. Eisenhower, their son, who is stationed at Ft. Benning, and Maj. Gen. Guy S. Meloy, Jr., commanding officer of the infantry center.

The party went to Maj. Eisenhower's home on the post for a brief stay before resuming the trip to Augusta. Mrs. John D. Eisenhower and the president's three grandchildren, Dwight David II, Barbara and Susan, planned to accompany the presidential party to Augusta.

The president's son will remain here to have Thanksgiving dinner with the men in his outfit and will join his family in Augusta Thursday afternoon.

British Writer Jailed in Egypt

Cairo, Egypt (AP)—Egyptian police have arrested a British journalist, Tom Clarke, in Alexandria. He was the third British subject picked up by the Egyptians within a week.

Clarke was arrested yesterday but the British Embassy here said it had not been informed of the charges against him.

The embassy said the British consulate general in Alexandria had protested the arrest to the Egyptian government but no results of the protest had been reported.

Clarke, a resident of Egypt for more than 20 years, is correspondent for several foreign newspapers. He formerly was Alexandria correspondent for the United Press as well as Alexandria editor of the Egyptian Mail, a Cairo English-language daily.

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Lull in Rainfall Improves Flood Conditions in Valley

Dulles Favors Asking Canada For Spy Quiz

Washington (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles said Tuesday he thought it was entirely proper for congressional committees to ask the Canadian government for the privilege of questioning Igor Gouzenko.

Dulles also told a news conference he did not think the Harry Dexter White case and its repercussions has had any significant or measurable effects upon America's relation with any country.

As to the requests to question Gouzenko, he said he hoped that Canada would reply in the spirit of friendliness which has characterized relations between that country and the United States.

Dulles added that he believed such relations would survive this present incident.

Former Embassy Clerk
Gouzenko is the former Soviet embassy clerk in Ottawa whose disclosures in 1948 broke a Russian spy ring in Canada.

The senate internal security subcommittee, headed by Sen. Jenner (R., Ind.), and the senate investigations committee, headed by Sen. McCarthy (R., Wis.), both want to send representatives to Canada to question Gouzenko in connection with their digging into alleged subversive activities in the U. S. government.

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Flood Evacuees Plan Return

Cooch Bay (AP)—People who fled their homes Sunday in the face of rising waters were hopeful they could start moving back late Tuesday and it appeared many of them would be able to.

As the rivers fell gradually, the Coquille at midmorning was down 1.2 of a foot at Coquille from Monday's high mark, police and coast guardsmen prepared to aid the evacuees in going back home.

Several score of families left hurriedly in the rapid rise of the coastal streams.

Workmen, digging away at slides, got a number of roads open to one way traffic. The receding water began to open up others, and it was thought that by late Tuesday the Coquille-Myrtle Point road would be open. It already was open from Myrtle Point to Roseburg. Highway 38 from Reedsport to Drain was reopened.

Abandoned Ship Offered for Sale

Portland (AP)—The Oliver Olson, lumber schooner which ran aground on the jetty of Bandon harbor recently, was offered for sale Monday.

Oliver J. Olson & Co., owner of the vessel, advertised the sale in Portland newspapers. The firm said bids to wreck the freighter should be sent to San Mateo, Calif., where they would be opened not later than Nov. 30. Two lift trucks on the deck of the abandoned ship are not for sale, the company said.

Greenglass Says Red Spy Ring Still Active

New York (AP)—David Greenglass, confessed atom spy, testified in writing Tuesday a radar spy ring headed by executed Julius Rosenberg "could very possibly be continuing to this very day."

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Allies Seek To Win Back Pro-Red PWs

Panmunjom (AP)—The Allies revealed today they are making final preparations for efforts to win back 22 Americans, 1 Briton and 328 South Koreans who have refused to come home.

The U. N. Command disclosed it has been sparring for two weeks with the Korean war prisoner repatriation commission over how many Allied prisoners will be permitted to talk with the prisoners.

The Allies have requested a total of 15—5 Americans, 5 Britons and 5 South Koreans. The commission has set a limit of five.

Meanwhile, Allied and Red negotiators meeting nearby on arrangements for a Korean peace conference discussed sites, but got nowhere again.

Reds Told of Thanksgiving

Panmunjom (AP)—U.S. Ambassador Arthur H. Dean Tuesday told communist diplomats about Thanksgiving, God, worship and prayer.

He asked that the diplomatic talks to arrange a Korean political conference be recessed Thanksgiving day.

Dean told the Reds about the Pilgrims, calling them a God fearing group.

He said ever since the days of the Pilgrims "it is our custom to repair to our churches and to give thanks to our Maker for the numerous blessings he has been pleased to vouchsafe to use during the year last past."

He said, "on that date we wish to go to worship with the people of Korea and to give thanks to Almighty God for our manifold blessings and to pray for guidance in these talks."

The communists agreed to the recess.

Disarming of Japs Mistake

Washington (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles said Tuesday he agrees with Vice President Nixon's view that the disarming of Japan after World War II was "a mistake."

Dulles told a news conference the United States carried disarmament programs for both Japan and Germany rather far. He noted some of these disarmament projects have since been reversed because of the communist threat.

Those in charge of American foreign policy at that time, Dulles said, quite naturally assumed the world was entering a period of lasting peace where disarmament might be possible.

Dulles made plain he, too, believed this at the time and noted that the San Francisco United Nations charter drafted in 1945 contained provisions calling for limitation of armaments.

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Crest for River At 19 Feet Due On Wednesday

By MARIAN LOWRY FISHER
Flood conditions in the Willamette Valley improved Tuesday morning with the rain tapering off, and predicted crests for the river revised.

Most Willamette river areas will come off lightly in the current high water period compared to the flooding in southwestern Oregon.

More rain is due later in the week, however, and there is a possibility of more high water troubles with new water coming in before the swollen streams have subsided completely.

The revised forecast now puts the Willamette river level for Salem at 19 feet by 1 a.m. Wednesday. That is one foot below flood level. Previously the prediction had been for 21 feet or slightly below at Salem. The river here this morning was up to 18.2 feet.

Coast Guard Feed Isolated

Coquille (AP)—Coast Guard boats carried food and mail to isolated communities today as floodwaters almost paralyzed this southwestern Oregon area.

Heavy rains which sent streams out of their banks let up last night but the runoff was expected to be slow.

Schools here and in the Myrtle Point area were closed. Most Coos and Curry county roads were blocked, and many people of water from the Coquille river covered Highway 101 near here. Some persons were stranded. Sawmills were closed and logging was crippled.

Elsewhere in Oregon, the situation was reported easing. The Willamette river crest was due in Albany this afternoon and was expected to exceed the 20-foot flood stage only slightly. But many roads in the state remained blocked.

Two drownings have been blamed on the high water.

Storm Parade To Continue

Seattle (AP)—A continued parade of storm systems moving in from the North Pacific is in prospect for the Pacific Northwest for the rest of the week.

But you won't need to batten down the hatches. The U. S. Weather Bureau forecaster says their intensity is decreasing from the level that swamped Southwest Oregon over the weekend.

The storm centers also are expected to shift farther north so they will pass over the British Columbia and southeast Alaska coast.

A new rain bearing storm system—or low pressure area—is expected to reach the Washington and Oregon coasts just about every other day.

Rain is expected to total as much as 3 to 4 inches along the coast, with lesser rains spilling over onto the east side of the Cascades. Moderate temperatures are in prospect.

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5 Candidates Voted on for U. S. Attorney

Five candidates appeared when the Marion County Republican Central Committee met in executive session at the Senator Hotel Tuesday noon to vote its preference for United States attorney for Oregon.

The five were Jason Lee, Seward P. Reese, Ed O. Stader, Jr., John Steelhammer and Kenneth Thompson.

The committee had not balloted on the five at 2 p.m., although all had been interviewed. They appeared before the committee by invitation.

Fifteen voting members of the committee were present.