

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY CLOUDY with showers tonight, Friday; partial clearing Friday afternoon. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 42; high Friday, 54.

Changes in Operation of Chamber Due

Parts of Lawshe Report Approved, Others Criticized

By STEPHEN A. STONE
A sharp change in the administration of the Chamber of Commerce will be made the coming year...

Further, board members will have little service on committees other than for liaison purposes...

Selection of chairmen from the chamber membership outside the board was one of the recommendations by Ben Lawshe of San Francisco...

Hammond said he felt that the past practice of naming chairmen from the board membership "makes us a closed corporation..."

Indian Affairs Group Meets

Gov. Paul L. Patterson's Committee on Indian Affairs will meet here next Tuesday to make plans for the expected transfer of the Klamath and Grand Ronde-Siletz Indian tribes to state jurisdiction...

Study Oregon Insurance Laws

Fifty-one Oregon insurance men have been appointed to eight committees to study Oregon's insurance laws. The last time such a study was made was in 1917.

Rain in Valley Snow in Hills

Good old Oregon rain continued for valley areas, Thursday morning, a total of .24 of an inch being measured in the 24-hour period to 10:30 a.m. and the drizzle continuing through the day.

3 More Red Suspects Kept On in Treasury

Washington (AP)—Senate investigators developed case records Thursday on three more former Treasury Department employees who were kept on and even promoted under the Truman administration after FBI information they had Communist ties was sent to the White House and various top officials.

Deadlock in NY Dailies' Strike

New York (AP)—Publishers have turned down a photoengraving union proposal cutting demands about half, a federal mediator announced, and the city's newspaper strike today went into its sixth day.

Wet and Dreary In Middle West

Another wet and dreary day was the outlook Thursday for wide areas in the mid-continent and some Western states. Fair weather prevailed in the eastern quarter of the country and over most of the Southwest to the Pacific Coast.

People Held To Blame for Tax Increase

Belton Says Tax Officials Not to Blame For Upped Taxes

By JAMES D. OLSON
Responsibility for ever increasing property taxes was placed squarely upon the people yesterday through use of the ballot box by State Senator Howard Belton, Canby, chairman of the legislative interim tax study committee in a statement issued Thursday.

"Tax administrators and assessment officers are in no way responsible for the impact of the tax burden," Belton said. "That responsibility rests with the people and finds its origin in local budget-making bodies and in the ballot box."

"A complete reassessment of all property," Belton continued, "with periodic review, is the only means of assuring taxpayers that they will be charged with their fair share of property taxes, and no more."

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Dockside War Holds up Ship

San Francisco (AP)—A flurry of dock-side head knocking erupted Wednesday night and one man was arrested as a result of a bitter union jurisdictional dispute over the passenger ship Aleutian.

SHIP OFFICERS STRIKE

Oslo, Norway (AP)—Norwegian ship officers struck Thursday in a walkout which may tie up most of their nation's merchant navy, backbone of its economy. The dock officers complain they are not making as much as the men in the engine room.

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SECOND WOMAN HELD IN EXTORTION PLOT IN RANSOM CASE



Philadelphia, Dec. 3—Mrs. Frances Keplin Fallaro, 30, of Philadelphia, bites her lip as she sits in Federal Building yesterday after hearing at which she was charged with attempting to extort \$25,000 from R. C. Greenlease, father of kidnapped and slain Bobby Greenlease. Mrs. Fallaro, mother of two children, was held in \$10,000 bail. On Tuesday of the week Mrs. Betty Robbins, 25, was held in \$10,000 bail on charges of attempting to get \$4,000 from the elder Greenlease. (AP Wirephoto)

McCarthy Sticks by 'Blood Trade' Criticism

Washington (AP)—Sen. McCarthy (R., Wis.) stuck by his criticism of administration foreign policy Thursday as he called on Americans who feel as he does about "blood trade" with Red China to make their views known to their congressmen.

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United Nations Condemn Reds Atrocities in Korea

Tornado Kills 9 in Louisiana And Injures 20

Alexandria, La. (AP)—A tornado hopped across central Louisiana early Thursday, killing at least nine persons, and injured more than 20 others.

Storm Kills 2 In Texas Areas

Washington-On-The-Brazos, Tex. (AP)—Severe weather that threw at least nine small tornadoes at Texas took a farewell fling Thursday before ripping into Louisiana.

Bids for Turbines at McNary Dam Called

Walla Walla (AP)—Bids for the installation of the last six turbines in the McNary Dam powerhouse will be opened about Jan. 15, Col. F. S. Sandy of the army engineers said Thursday.

Harry Bridges Men Attend Spy Probe

San Francisco (AP)—Extra police were ordered today to keep order during a threatened march on Civic Center by Harry Bridges' longshoremen protesting House Un-American Activities Committee hearings at City Hall.

30 More PWs From S. Korea Prefer Reds

Panmunjom (AP)—A second group of 30 South Koreans today unanimously chose life under the communists, giving allied persuaders a total blank for two days of efforts to woo home balky war prisoners.

Stalemate on Korean Peace

Panmunjom (AP)—U. S. envoy Arthur Dean warned today that if the Communists want a Korean peace conference they must do "a complete about face" on demands that Russia be invited as a neutral nation.

Indian Troops Tired by Delay

New Delhi, India (AP)—Prime Minister Nehru told a questioner in parliament Thursday the Indian government "has no intention of keeping our forces in Korea indefinitely."

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Assembly Vote 42 to 5 With 10 Not Voting

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