

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY CLOUDY tonight, Saturday, with rain tonight, showers Saturday. Little change in temperature.

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Uniform Tax For Big Trucks In West Looms

Oregon's Weight-Mile Tax for Interstate Trucks to Be Studied

By JAMES D. OLSON Legislatures of 11 western states, including Oregon, will be asked to consider a uniform formula of taxation for out-of-state trucks...

Edward Geary, chairman of the legislative highway interim committee, who recently returned from a meeting in Los Angeles of the Western Interstate Committee on Highway Policy Problems...

Foot of Snow In Mid-West

Minneapolis (AP)—A storm that dumped more than a foot of snow in some sections of mid-America buffeted the Dakotas and Minneapolis today as it swept northward into Canada.

Nebraska, Kansas and eastern Colorado also were hit but the snow had all but ended in these states.

Schools were closed, motorists were stranded and communications knocked out in some areas.

International Falls in Minnesota reported 14 inches of snow. A foot fell in the eastern half of South Dakota.

No large-scale traffic tieups were reported in the Dakotas and Minnesota but some telephone lines were severed and driving was hazardous.

Northwesterly winds caused near-blizzard conditions in parts of Colorado, Nebraska and Kansas yesterday.

Communications were out in the central Nebraska snow area and in northeastern Nebraska, which got freezing rain.

Just More Rain 5 Day Forecast

"Just more rain" is the summary from the five-day forecast from the valley from the weather bureau, Friday.

As result of the rains through most of the week, rivers of the valley were higher Friday morning, and further slight to moderate rises are due during the next 24 to 48 hours.

The Willamette river was up to 9.7 feet at Salem, Friday morning.

Rainfall in Salem amounted to .41 of an inch in the 24-hour period ending at 10:30 a.m. today.

From 10 to 20 inches of new snow were recorded for Cascade mountain passes this morning.

The Oregon highway commission is warning all motorists to use chains in the pass regions.

Big Elevator For Seattle

Seattle, (AP)—The Seattle Port Commission disclosed Thursday it plans to build a 4-million bushel waterfront grain elevator as part of what was called the most comprehensive grain-handling facility on the Pacific Coast.

Plans for the elevator follow those suggested by the Cargill Co., which holds a 20-year port lease on the Handford property.

As an initial step, the commission authorized acquisition of a 142,000-square foot Milwaukee Railroad tank farm north of the present elevator

Newspaper Strike Spreads To Long Island

Crew Refuses to Handle Ads of Struck N.Y. Dailies

New York (AP)—The Long Island Star-Journal halted publication Friday when its stereotypers refused to handle news and comics of struck newspapers in Manhattan which were to be printed in the form of paid advertisements.

No material from the advertisers of the struck papers was involved.

Stephen Rogers, editor of the Queens afternoon paper, said in a statement the stereotypers, who make casts for the advertisements, refused to handle the ads, contending it was "struck work."

In Violation of Contract "This action by the stereotypers union, in violation of our contract, destroys a vital link in the newspaper's production line, preventing us from placing printed pages on the presses," Rogers said in a statement.

"Under the circumstances, the Long Island Star-Journal could no longer publish and respectfully announces it must suspend until the controversy is settled."

Jersey City's Mayor to Quit

Jersey City, N. J. (AP)—Mayor John V. Kenny, who led the movement which shattered the Frank Hague democratic organization in 1949, said Friday he will resign effective Jan. 1.

Kenny told reporters that his resignation "has nothing to do with my health. I've just had my fill of the rigors of office. I can't take it any more, especially the antics of crackpots."

"Why should it take all that—for \$8,000 a year?" Kenny, a former Hague lieutenant who broke with the once-powerful party kingpin, said he will fight for the nomination of his supporters in the primary next April.

Water Storage Needed by Basin

Seattle (AP)—The new chief of the Army Corp of Engineers' North Pacific division says the Pacific Northwest's biggest problems in future development of the Columbia River system is to provide 28,000,000 acre-feet of water storage.

Ending a tour of Northwest power and reclamation projects, Brig. Gen. Don G. Shingler pointed out Thursday only about 7,000,000-acre feet of storage, principally behind Grand Coulee Dam, is now available.

Shingler said more water storage is needed both for effective flood control and to assure better utilization of power plants during low water periods.

Thornton Restricted In Grand Jury Probes

Grand jury investigation in any county of the state cannot be carried on by the attorney general except on order of the governor, Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton held in an opinion Friday.

The ruling was requested by Governor Paul L. Patterson in connection with a request of a group of Lincoln county citizens that the attorney general conduct an investigation of charges of gambling, prostitution and corruption in that area.

Later two large groups of citizens from the same county appeared before the governor and denied that the conditions charged existed at the present time, or had existed since new county officials had taken office last January.

Egyptians Fire On U.S. Vessel

Cairo, Egypt (AP)—An American freighter carrying 9,600 tons of gift wheat for Arab refugees from Palestine was fired on in the gulf of Aquaba Thursday. Her owners in New York said there was no damage or casualties.

An Egyptian official here said an Egyptian shore battery fired what he called a warning shot at the freighter, the Albion, because she failed to heed an order to halt for inspection. The American embassy here had reported the incident earlier.

The Gulf of Aqaba is east of Egypt's Sinai Peninsula. The Albion is scheduled to unload at the Jordan port of Aqaba at the head of the gulf Saturday. Ceremonies are planned in connection with the arrival of the gift wheat.

Drytrans, Inc., of New York, owns the 7,255-ton ship. Her master is Capt. James H. Hassell of East Williston, N. Y.

Renews Attack Upon Benson

Washington (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Benson Friday came under a new crossfire of criticism and praise touched off by his reorganization of the Soil Conservation Service.

Carrying on the attack begun Thursday before a house government operations subcommittee, the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts accused Benson of bad faith and demanded jettisoning of the plan pending further study.

But in another prepared statement, the American Farm Bureau Federation approved the "broad plan" of reorganization and expressed "wholehearted" belief that Benson should have an opportunity to carry it out.

The house subcommittee called Benson and others before it in hearings to air the controversy over the reorganization, put into effect November 2 as part of revamping of the agriculture department.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 51; minimum today, 37. Total 24-hour precipitation: .41; for month: .80; normal: .74. Season precipitation: 12.44; normal: 12. River below: 9.7 feet. (Report by U.S. Weather Bureau.)

McClellan to Be NAM Chief

New York (AP)—A minister's son, who developed a broken-down paint factory into a flourishing enterprise, is the new president of the National Assn. of Manufacturers—the first Pacific Coast man to head the organization.

Harold C. McClellan, president of the Old Colony Paint & Chemical Co., Los Angeles, was elected last night at the 58th annual Congress of American Industry. He succeeds Charles R. Sligh, Jr., president of the Sligh Furniture companies, Grand Rapids, Mich., who becomes chairman of the board of directors of the association.

Strike Concerns Citrus Growers

Pittsburgh (AP)—Stalemate contract negotiations pushed a nationwide strike against two top can manufacturers into its third day Friday, intensifying the concern of the citrus industry over dwindling can supplies.

Citrus canners in Florida, hit hardest by the walkout of 33,000 CIO United Steelworkers at 73 U. S. and Canadian plants of American Can Co. and Continental Can Co. predict a major crisis if the strike lasts much longer.

VICTIM OF MOB



John P. Hanson, AFL union attorney, attempts to rise after being beaten to the ground by a mob of International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union pickets. The Longshoremen, who were having a work stoppage in protest of Rep. Velde's un-American hearings, were milling about the San Francisco pier where marine cooks and stewards of two different unions were fighting over the right to serve aboard the passenger ship Aleutian. (UP Telephone)

Hammond Selects CofC Special Committees

Some new standing committees of the Salem Chamber of Commerce may be created, and some of the old committees discontinued, William H. Hammond, new president, said Friday.

Hammond announced the personnel of three special committees that were authorized by the board of directors Wednesday night, and one of these, a committee on committees, will make recommendations relative to the formation of the administrative groups.

The special committees were appointed from the board of directors, but, by a change in policy voted by the board Wednesday night, the standing committees will be selected from the general chamber membership outside the board.

For the committee on committees, Hammond appointed Kenneth M. Potts, chairman, J. A. H. Dodd, Reynolds Allen and Wes Stewart.

A special committee on audit of chamber accounts is Judge Joseph B. Felton, chairman, Robert K. Powell and A. H. Flicker.

On a special committee on revision of chamber by-laws Hammond appointed Miss Hatie Brazel, chairman, Lee Ohmart, Roy Harland and Judge Felton.

AWOL Coburg Admits Slaying Youth Captured For Insurance

Louisville, Ky. (AP)—Olen M. Mowdy, the 18-year-old private from Coburg, Ore., who has cost the army \$30,000 so far, is back in custody again.

This time he is going to be prosecuted by the FBI on a charge of assault and robbery. With Pvt. Joe A. Laws, 21, Harrogate, Tenn., he is accused of overpowering two guards at the Ft. Campbell, Ky., stockade and making off with their shotguns.

The army estimates it has spent \$30,000 in man-hours and transportation in finding Mowdy on his AWOL expeditions.

The first one came last summer. At first it appeared he was lost, and a battalion of men spent days trying to find him. A month later he turned up in Oklahoma City with a sad story of having lost his parents. He also posed as an athlete, using another boy's name.

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Twenty policemen from outlying precincts stood by in case of repercussions of trouble between 1,400 members of Harry Lundeberg's AFL Sailors Union of the Pacific, and the independent National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards backed by Harry Bridges.

Superior Judge Preston J. Devine issued an injunction at the request of the Hawaii & Pacific Line, which is chartering the Aleutian, limiting pickets to five men of each union.

Iranians Fight British Parley

Tehran, Iran (AP)—Strong political opposition mounted Friday against Premier Fazellah Zahedi's reported invitation to Britain to resume diplomatic relations with Iran.

Informed Iranian sources said Thursday night a note asking the resumption was on its way to London. Formal announcement of the action is expected over the week-end.

Ayatollah Kashani, powerful Moslem religious leader, declared Thursday that the dispute with Britain over her nationalized oil properties here must be settled and the Iranian Parliament must give its approval before British envoys are readmitted.

Dr. Mozzafar Baghaie, a Socialist leader, blasted the conciliatory move in a front page editorial in his newspaper Shabed. He described it as "a dirty surrender to an aggressive enemy."

Ike's Left Hand Cut by Pistol

Tucker's Town, Bermuda (AP)—President Eisenhower arrived in Bermuda today wearing a bandage on his left hand.

Members of his staff said he cut the palm of his hand while cocking a pistol in his White House suite.

They said the pistol was a small caliber target pistol, and that the President was showing Mrs. Eisenhower how old time heroes of the West "fanned" their ancient 44s.

The President hit the hammer vigorously, they said, and nicked the palm of his hand.

The injury is neither serious nor painful, aides said, but it was bandaged by the White House physician.

Tens of Thousands of Koreans Killed by Reds

Washington (AP)—Col. James M. Hanley testified Friday that anti-Red South Korean civilians are killed by the tens of thousands" by their communist enemies.

Hanley, who was the first chief of the army's Korean war crimes section, told a senate investigation:

"In some cases, they threw them down mine shafts alive, they buried them alive, they burned them alive in jail, and they shot them in groups of hundreds."

30 More PWs Reject Pleas to Return Home

Panmunjom (AP)—U. S. Envoy Arthur H. Dean told the communists today that unrepatriated war prisoners will be freed Jan. 22 unless a peace conference decides some other course "and no human hand or mind or debate can change it."

"We are never going to agree, under any circumstances, to a change in that date," he declared.

Dean and communist diplomats huddled for almost three hours on plans for a peace conference while a few miles away 30 more South Korean war prisoners unanimously rejected pleas to return home.

Dean said the Reds appeared to be trying to block a peace conference in an attempt to hold in definite captivity 22,000 Korean and Chinese war prisoners who have refused to go back to communist rule.

Pro-Red GI's Reject Bibles

Panmunjom, Korea (AP)—The 22 American war prisoners who have refused to return home have rejected New Testaments and asked instead for communist newspapers, an Indian spokesman revealed today.

The spokesman said the self-exiled GIs flatly turned down a gift of 22 individually wrapped New Testaments set to them from the United States.

The snub of Christianity's most sacred writings was revealed after South Korean officers failed for the third straight day to coax home any ROK prisoners. Young Korean officers have talked to 90 prisoners but all elected life under Red rule.

The Indian spokesman said the American prisoners, called "pro-communists" by the Reds, asked Indian guards to give them newspapers and books from North Korea instead of New Testaments.

45,862 Listed State Jobless

Oregon's unemployment picture got darker in November, with 45,862 jobless persons listed by the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

There were 18,500 workers laid off during the month, the biggest monthly increase since January, 1950.

There were 29,000 persons filing claims for compensation during November, 60 per cent of them being in the seasonal lumber, food and construction industries.

The commission said hundreds of small lumber operators reduced their activities because of uncertain lumber markets.

Payments to jobless workers totaled \$1,437,638, second highest November total on record, and a 60 per cent increase over the October total.

900 Telegrams on McCarthy's Stand

Washington (AP)—The White House said Friday approximately 900 telegrams had been received in response to the public appeal from Sen. McCarthy (R., Wis.) that citizens let President Eisenhower know how they feel about the senator's criticism of allies who trade with Red China.

Murray Snyder, assistant press secretary, said the messages, totaled for the first 24 hours since the senator's appeal, had not been broken down as to favorable and unfavorable.

Welcomed by British-French Delegations

Tucker's Town, Bermuda (AP)—President Eisenhower met Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Joseph Laniel here for their Big Three conference Friday with the confident assertion their talks will "result in better understanding among the peoples involved."

The President, host Churchill and Laniel drove immediately from the airport to the Mid-Ocean Club, where for five days they will seek to tighten the Western alliance and step up anti-Soviet defense arrangements as well as determine the next moves in relations with Russia.

Secretary of State Dulles, who arrived with the President on his special plane Columbine, British Foreign Minister Georges Bidault held a pre-lunch conference. The critical Trieste problem which is splitting Italy and Yugoslavia was understood to have been discussed.

On Scheduled Time Eisenhower's silver four-engine plane touched down at Kindley Field at 11:12 a.m. (EST) and pulled up at the reception area on the dot of the scheduled time three minutes later.

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Ask Vishinsky to Prove Denials

Washington (AP)—Sen. Potter (R., Mich.) today challenged Andrei Vishinsky and his associates to try to disprove Korean veterans' accounts of brutal, bestial atrocities.

Potter, sitting as a one-man senate investigations subcommittee has heard over a dozen such accounts in the past two days. On call today were 10 more witnesses to add details to the grim recital.

"If these cases are false," Potter said in an interview, "it would be the best possible propaganda in the world for the communists to prove that. If Vishinsky and the communists are not afraid of the truth, why do they not ask an impartial United Nations investigation?"

"They are afraid of the truth and this gives the lie to Vishinsky's falsifications."

To Keep U.N. on Tap for Crisis

United Nations, N.Y. (AP)—The United States and its 15 Korean War allies in the United Nations were reported lining up support today for a plan to keep the U.N. assembly on tap after it closes shop next week.

It then could be recalled quickly if new trouble arises over Korea.

Observers predicted the projected call for an indefinite recess rather than outright adjournment would meet opposition on two counts.

The scheme, springing from Allied feeling that Korea should not be debated while Special Ambassador Arthur Dean is negotiating with the Reds at Panmunjom, is expected to run into Soviet bloc objections. A source close to the Koreans issue discussed here and now on grounds that it is the most vital question before the U.N.