

THE WEATHER

CLOUDY WITH intermittent rain tonight, Friday. Continued mild. Low tonight, 38; high Friday, 48.

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Some Friction Stirs Officers Thornton Says

Suggests Governor Call Conference to Iron Out Differences

By JAMES D. OLSON Appointment of a conference committee representing city, county and state law enforcement agencies...

Rains Sending Valley Streams To High Levels

No Floods Likely; Mild Temperatures Follow, Melts Snow

By MARIAN LOWRY FISCHER Mild temperatures, more rain and high water were the features for the valley weather situation, Thursday morning.



21 GIs Behind Bamboo Curtain

PANMUNJOM, (AP) — Twenty-one singing, chanting Americans and 1 Briton who renounced their homelands to stay with the Communists Thursday rolled northward toward a life behind the bamboo curtain.

Some of the twenty-one singing Americans and 1 Briton who renounced their homelands to stay with the Communists are shown on a truck as it pulled out of the neutral zone today headed for Northern Korea.

9 Pro-Red POW Held Chinese Stool Pigeons

TOKYO (AP) — At least 9 of 21 American prisoners who turned their backs on their homeland acted as stool pigeons for Chinese guards in North Korean prison camps, the U.N. Command officially disclosed tonight.

Rape-Slayers Hanged, Guam

GUAM (AP) — Two Air Force enlisted men, calmly declaring their innocence, were hanged Thursday for the vicious rape-slaying of 27-year-old Ruth Farnsworth five years ago in a Guam jungle.

12 Kiddies Hurt In Bus Crash

BUCKLEY, Wash. (AP) — At least 12 children suffered minor bruises and shock Thursday morning when a White River School bus in which they were riding was involved in a collision with a coal truck two miles south of here.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The American Medical Assn. (AMA) protested Thursday that "a distorted picture" of the nation's health needs has been drawn in an effort to influence public support for a government-controlled medical care program.

Drive on to Cut Excise Taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — A drive to cut excise taxes was picking up steam in the House Thursday but an administration leader cautioned that any lost revenue might have to be made up by new or increased taxes elsewhere.

Mothers March Tonight

Tonight at seven families willing to make donations to the March of Dimes are asked to turn on their lights and they will be called upon by the Marching Mothers, a large group who have enlisted in the current campaign.

Ike Sees Speedy Recovery From Brief Business Dip

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Molotov Calls For Conference On Disarming

BERLIN (AP) — Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov proposed to the Big Four Thursday the calling of a world conference this year on general reduction of armaments.

Senate Orders Second Probe Coffee Prices

WASHINGTON (AP) — A second investigation of the high cost of coffee was ordered Thursday, this one by the Senate Banking Committee.

Pledges Use of Power to Halt A Depression

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Anti-Picketing Law Held Void

GRANTS PASS (AP) — Circuit Judge O. J. Millard Thursday declared Oregon's anti-picketing law unconstitutional.

Springfield Paper Bought

SPRINGFIELD, Ore. (AP) — Negotiations for the sale of the Springfield News to three former Coos Bay newspapermen have been completed by Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Maxey, publishers of the weekly paper for 30 years.

Treason Charge To Dickenson

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cpl. Edward S. Dickenson's attorney disclosed today the Army's court martial proceedings against the former POW include a charge "allied to treason" and two "alleged offenses" against fellow prisoners.

Price Support Rapped by Ike

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower said today high government price supports are a major cause, rather than a cure, of the present economic plight of farmers.

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Bricker Defends Amendment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Bricker (R-Ohio), ticking off the objections President Eisenhower has raised to his proposed constitutional amendment on treaty-making, tabbed one after another as "untrue" and "100 per cent wrong" in a Senate speech Thursday.

The Dalles Dam to Have a View Point

PORTLAND (AP) — The Dalles dam on the Columbia river is to have a viewpoint.

Salvage Tug Tows Disabled Freighter

SEATTLE (AP) — The Coast Guard reported Thursday the tug Salvage Chief from Astoria has taken over the tow of the freighter Aristotelsis about 1,000 miles off the Columbia River mouth.

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All-Out Investigation Of Coffee Prices On

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St. Paul Land Baron Passes

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Watson P. Davidson, 83, St. Paul real estate man who had built a fortune through his purchase of Western farm lands in the United States and Canada during the past 60 years, died Wednesday after an illness of 24 hours. He owned extensive business properties here.

One Life Lost By Coos Slide

Slides resulting from heavy rain claimed one life at a remote Coos County logging operation late Wednesday morning.

Pearl Meets Power Group

TACOMA (AP) — Dr. William A. Pearl, new Bonneville power administrator, was in Tacoma Thursday to meet for the first time with the Pacific Northwest Utilities Conference Committee and review the region's power supply problems.

Father Claims Mercy Killing

ROSEVILLE, Calif. (AP) — An elderly rancher told officers Wednesday he shot and killed his adopted daughter rather than have her sent to a mental institution.

Reserve Board Most Optimistic

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Reserve Board reported Thursday that 1953 ended with a production dip but there are "favorable factors for business prospects."

Hells Canyon Cost Defended

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Reclamation Bureau engineer defended Thursday his estimate of the cost of moving Union Pacific Railroad tracks in Idaho that would be flooded by proposed Hells Canyon dams.

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