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MOSTLY CLOUDY with occasional light rain tonight; scattered showers Thursday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 50; high Thursday, 75.

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Conviction of Cahill Upheld By High Court

Petition for Rehearing Refused

By JAMES D. OLSON
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In a five to two decision the Oregon supreme court Wednesday adhered to its former opinion affirming the conviction of Otto W. Cahill of Delake for illegal conversion of public funds and refused his petition for rehearing.

Cahill was a leader in bringing vice charges against Lincoln county officials three years ago before the Lincoln county grand jury. The presentation of the charges were made by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton.

No indictments were returned against any of the officials against whom Cahill filed charges but Cahill himself was indicted for conversion of $750 in funds while acting as secretary of the Taft-Nelscott-Delake water district.

Sentenced, Fined

His trial resulted in conviction and a sentence of not less than one year in prison and a $1,500 fine. This judgment was upheld in a majority opinion of the supreme court on January 25, 1956.

Cahill in his trial claimed that he had returned the money to the water district treasurer who died a few days thereafter. The prosecution contended that the purported signature of the treasurer on a receipt produced by Cahill was a forgery.

In its original opinion the court found that Cahill had made use of the money for his own purposes and concluded that on undisputed evidence he was guilty of conversion even if he later returned the money.

Freed on Bond

Cahill has been free on bond but will be required to enter the state penitentiary as soon as the mandate of the court is forwarded to the circuit court of Lincoln county.

Associate Justices Walter L. Tooze and George Rossman filed dissent opinions in the original case and adhered to these dissents in the petition for rehearing.

The trial was held in Polk county on a change of venue with Circuit

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Meadows Dike Shows Signs Of Weakening

Bulldozers Used in Emergency Effort To Save It

PORTLAND (AP) — A dike close to Portland Meadows race track showed signs of dangerous weakening Wednesday morning and bulldozers were ordered in for emergency efforts to save it.

"The situation isn't good, but we don't know just how bad it is," said Winthrop Wells, flood fight engineer for the Army Engineers.

The new weak spot showed up after an all night battle to save the dike at another point. County trucks working through the night poured in 2,000 cubic yards of gravel near the pumphouse at Denver Ave., where a big crack developed in the dike Tuesday.

The new danger spot, immediately south of Portland Meadows, was apparent from a sink hole 10 feet in diameter outside the dike. This, Wells said, meant the dike had weakened.

Bulldozers were to fill the hole in an effort to add strength to the sinking section.

The danger comes on the southern side of the diking district in which Portland Meadows is located. The water runs there in Columbia slough, reaching out as an arm of the Columbia River. The slough water has a maximum depth of around 40 feet and spread out to 500 or 600 feet wide in places.

Although the Columbia River is falling gradually, it will have to drop two feet at least before danger eases materially at this threatened section, Wells said.

Woman Dies As Berry Bus Turns Over

HILLSBORO, Ore. (AP) — A bus carrying 57 children and five adults, heading home after a day of strawberry picking, went out of control west of here Tuesday afternoon, rolled over and killed Mrs. Lauren Brooks, 47.

A dozen children were hospitalized here and in Portland but attendants said none was seriously hurt.

The body of Mrs. Brooks was found under the bus when wreckers lifted it. She was a Portland grade school teacher and had been in charge of the children on their picking expedition to the Charles Springer farm as workers for the Birds Eye division of General Foods Corp.

Her husband, a checker for the company, also was on the bus as was the couple's son, Bobby, 15.

Most of the children were in their teens but one was as young as 7.

The bus driver, Dennis Bell of Portland, said the brakes on the bus—a 1939 model school bus—failed as he started down a steep hill. He threw the gear into compound low but it slipped out and he then turned of the highway, across a ditch and into a field. In the field the bus turned over.

Police said had Bell not turned from the highway the bus soon would have been on a much steeper hill and in even greater danger.

Most of the children were from the north Portland districts of Kenton and St. Johns. The adults aboard, in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Brooks and the driver, were Mrs. Thomas R. Lipscomb, 38, who had her 7-year-old daughter with her, and Mrs. Dessie Koenig, 56.

Olympic Games Equestrain Stables Burn

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — The training building of the stables for the Olympic Equestrain Games caught fire Wednesday night. The entire area was turned into chaos with screaming horses running wildly about, but none of the champion horses was trapped.

The training building, used by the Swedish Guards Regiment was tinder-dry with hay and fodder, burst into flames late in the afternoon.

Fire and smoke poured over the entire area now being used to decide the 1956 Olympic equestrain championships.

The building is surrounded by stables housing the prize horses brought here by 29 nations for the contests.

Flames shot 100 feet into the air and flickered from dozens of windows of the training house before the roof collapsed at 5 p.m.

The building, 120 by 450 feet, had been used by Olympic teams for the past week or ten days to train their horses in the intricate dressage exercises.

The Olympic stables are about 40 yards away. A dozen Stockholm fire companies kept the flames from spreading to the prize sector.

Horses belonging to teams from Canada, Germany, Venezuela, Japan, Italy, Spain, Britain and Brazil were led quickly away from one building very near the burning structure.

Truman Aides Trial Ending

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The month-old tax-fixing trial of two former Truman administration officials went to the jury Wednesday with a federal judge's instructions that even though the government was depending on circumstantial evidence it could be as "conclusive as direct evidence."

The jury of eight men and four women immediately began deliberating the fate of Matthew J. Connelly and T. Lamar Caudle after the instructions from U. S. District Judge Rubey M. Hulen.

The Army Gets a New Flag

WASHINGTON—Vice President Richard Nixon, right, formally presents the newly-adopted U.S. Army flag to Chief of Staff Gen. Maxwell Taylor and Army Secretary Wilber Brucker in a ceremony today before the U.S. Capitol. An honor guard stands at attention during the presentation. The new flag is made in the national colors—red, white and blue—with yellow fringe. It bears a replica of the War Office official seal and the words "United States Army" over the numerals 1775, the year the Army was created. (AP Wirephoto)

Adenauer Visit Set In Hospital Room

WASHINGTON (UP) — President Eisenhower decided today that he is feeling well enough to confer in his hospital room Thursday with visiting German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

The President, continuing his "satisfactory" recovery from an emergency operation, got a morale boost this morning when his doctors removed an "uncomfortable" drainage tube from his nose for two brief periods.

All in all, the President spent 30 minutes out of his bed; performed his usual walking exercises, conferred for half an hour with his staff and signed eight routine bills. One provided money for his own $100,000 salary and other White House expenses.

Condition Satisfactory

A medical bulletin at 1:15 p.m. EDT said the President's condition continues "satisfactory." It said he still is being fed through his veins but that the irksome drainage tube running through his stomach "is now being periodically removed."

Hagerty announced that the President personally decided on the hospital conference with Adenauer.

Adenauer will be the first visitor the President has had outside of his family and White House staff aides since his emergency operation last Saturday.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said Mr. Eisenhower will receive the 80-year-old German leader for a "courtesy visit" Thursday at 10 a.m. EDT at Walter Reed Army Hospital. Adenauer will be accompanied by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

In Good Spirits

Hagerty said he did not know what would be discussed at the meeting or how long it might last. He said the President's doctors said it was "perfectly all right" for him to conduct such a conference at this stage of his recovery.

Deaf School Dorm Okayed

The state Board of Control Wednesday authorized a call for bids for a dormitory at the Oregon Deaf school estimated to cost $550,000.

The architectural firm of Logan and Murtaugh presented final drawings for the dormitory which were approved by the board upon recommendation of Marvin B. Clatterbuck, superintendent of the institution.

District Attorney Walter Foster of Polk county was named chairman of the advisory committee to the board of control for state training schools.

Foster will suceed George Stadelman, of The Dalles whose term of office expires on August 1956. The following persons were named to the board with staggered terms of office: Bishop Francis P. Leipzig, Baker; Mrs. Emory Ingham; Mrs. Cora Allen; Floyd Stager and Ralph Minear.

Senators Studying Aid Bill

Johnson Declares Case Not Proved For Measure

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, the Senate Democratic leader, said Wednesday the Eisenhower administration has not yet "proved its case" for a Senate increase in the amount of foreign aid the House voted.

Johnson stated that view as the Senate Foreign Relations Committee completed its first closed-door session on the House-passed $3,800,000,000 authorization for funds to strengthen other countries against the communist threat.

Under Request

The amount left in the measure is $1,104,000,000 less than the administration asked.

Sen. Knowland of California, the Republican leader, said the committee did not get down to the issue of fund ceilings but might do so at an afternoon session.

Johnson said senators would be willing to heed President Eisenhower's sickbed appeal for more aid funds "but the administration is going to have to make a case which it hasn't done yet."

"If it makes a case," the Democratic leader said, "the Senate will do what is best for the country."

Ten Republican senators meanwhile rallied behind Eisenhower's plea for more money, calling on their colleagues to uphold what they called his "staunch leadership for peace."

George Leads Move

Committee Chairman George (D-Ga) led in a move aimed at increasing the house total by 500 millions. Senate sources said passage of this proposal would be "difficult, but possible."

Multnomah DA Fails to Show At Grand Jury

PORTLAND (AP) — Dist. Atty. William M. Langley, removed by the governor's order from a grand jury probe into charges of vice and misconduct in Portland, invited the jurors to inspect his records.

But he didn't show up Tuesday in person as the grand jury had invited him to do.

Police Chief Jim Purcell testified and so did Mayor Fred Peterson, both under invitation rather than subpena.

Langley instead sent a letter whose contents he released to the press.

The Oregonian, he said, had used "all its newspaper techniques to smear me, including use of phony tape recordings. . . . But it has not and dares not charge me with the commission of any crime."

"Any charge of official misconduct against me must be based upon my official acts.

"I therefore suggest and request that you (members of the jury) examine the files of my office and question the office personnel and you will have the fullest cooperation of myself and members of the district attorney's staff.

"By such an examination you would be prepared to consider any charge of official misconduct against me which must be based upon my official acts."

Langley was named by The Oregonian in a series of copyrighted articles as having met with men the newspaper called plotters. The Oregonian printed what it said were excerpts from tape recordings of the meetings.

As a result of the articles the grand jury investigation was placed by Gov. Elmo Smith under the control of Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton. The grand jury is now in its second week of study.

Albany Youth Lost in South Santiam Area

Saved as Six Friends Die

NEW YORK—Anatole Bykov, 9, gasps in pain and fright after being pulled from under earth in cave-in in Brooklyn in which six of his young friends died today. George Koller, who helped save Anatole, holds youngster as his mother, Mrs. Mary Bykov, gazes at her son. Children were playing cowboys and Indians in cave they had dug into sheer side of construction cut for Brooklyn Queens expressway when tons of earth fell on them. (AP Wirephoto)

Investigations Ordered After Six Children Die in Cave-in

Youngsters Lose Lives Playing In Excavation

NEW YORK (AP) — Vigorous investigations — including one in which Mayor Robert F. Wagner ordered four city departments to join forces — were pressed Wednesday into the tragic Brooklyn cave-in that killed six small children Tuesday night.

Brooklyn Dist. Atty. Edward S. Silver already had a big staff at work, questioning all who could shed any light on the mishap and studying laws which might apply to the situation.

Negligence Questioned

A key question under study was whether any negligence was involved—primarily as to guarding the block - square excavation where the youngsters lost their lives playfully digging a tunnel.

The huge excavation was an inviting spot for cops-and-robbers games for children in the crowded Williamsburg section—a district of aging, closely packed tenements.

Nine youngsters were playing at the foot of a 30-foot wall of the excavation when a 25-ton avalanche came roaring down, smothering and crushing to death four boys and two girls.

Eleven-year-old Marie Stanikunas had been sent to call her brother and sister home for supper. She saw them in the hole. Just then the earth moved.

Marie screamed and grabbed another sister, Dolores. The cascading sand swirled around her ankles and sucked off her shoes but the two girls escaped.

Screaming Heard

A post office employe heard the screaming and arrived in time to pull out 9-year-old Anatole Bykov alive, but seriously injured.

Marie pulled a fire alarm box. Soon the pit was swarming with police and fire rescue workers. The six children were pulled out soon, but they could not be revived.

Frantic parents and relatives poured down from the surrounding tenements. A grandmother comforted Marie on the sidewalk above the hole.

She heard a wailing cry from the mother, Mrs. Theresa Stanikunas, as her children, Michael, 10, and Lorraine, 5, were uncovered.

"Don't look. Don't look," the grandmother told Marie, turning her away. "Which one?" she called down.

"Both," came back the cry and the family burst into wild sobbing.

Another mother, in her frenzy of grief, beat her head against a wooden fence.

The other dead children were John William McKenzie, 9; John T. Kotov, 7; Anna Ortiz, 8; and Louis Nitti, 6.

Last British Leave Suez

PORT SAID, Egypt (AP)—The last British soldier quit the Suez Canal zone today, ending 74 years of British military occupation in Egypt. The last to leave was Brig. J. H. S. Lacey, who quietly handed over the Port Said harbor navy house to the Egyptians at 6:25 a.m.

Lacey boarded the British LST Evan Gibb and with 10 officers and 80 enlisted men sailed for Famagusta, Cyprus. They were the last of the British Canal Zone garrison, which two years ago numbered 85,000 men.

Egypt has taken over operation of the huge bases the British built in the area. Britain retains the right to return to them at any time in the next five years if an outside power attacks Turkey or any Arab state.

Court Extends Ferry Service

Operation of the Wheatland ferry until 9 o'clock each Sunday night during the summer and early fall was authorized by the Marion county court Wednesday. Its present schedule calls for shutting down operations each Sunday at 4 p.m. It is available until 9 p.m. each week day.

Request for extended operation of the ferry came from Alderman Farms. The county in agreeing to extend the ferry service until 9 p.m. each day of the week, decided that it would pay the extra cost which involves overtime for the employes. In previous years Alderman Farms had paid the bill.

It was pointed out that summer and fall traffic is heavy because of the transportation of seasonal crops and workers. Location of Williamson park near the Yamhill county end of the ferry slip, brings additional requests for ferry service, particularly on Sundays.

The extra expense of operating the ferry will be divided between Marion and Yamhill counties.

KOREAN OFFICERS KILLED

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)—Five Korean officers were killed yesterday in the South Korean air force's fourth crash in two days.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 73; minimum today, 46. Total 24-hour precipitation: 0; for month: .49; normal, .65. Season precipitation, 56; normal, 18.44. River height, .6 of a foot. (Report by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

Hounds Picking Up Trail

Larry Bassinger Missing Since Sunday

Bloodhounds brought into the search for Larry Bassinger led searchers Wednesday to a deep pool in the South Santiam river area, and police called for grappling hooks to be brought from Lebanon.

By MIKE FORBES
Capital Journal Valley Editor

A 19-year-old Albany youth, apparently missing the past three days on a fishing trip in the wilds of the South Santiam river, is the object of a widespread search Wednesday.

State police identified the youth as Larry Bassinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bassinger, 1114 Walnut St., Albany.

Bloodhounds Used

At noon Wednesday, police reported that bloodhounds taken to the area where his car was found 20 miles east of Cascadia, had picked up the youth's scent. Police and forest officials are combing the area.

Young Bassinger had apparently left early Saturday morning to go fishing at Marion Lake. His parents, who reported him missing Tuesday to State Police, said he took a light lunch and planned to be gone only one day.

Tuesday, the boy's father and state officers walked into Marion Lake but could find no trace of him. Later, the father decided to look along the South Santiam river, an area he had indicated he might fish. The father found the boy's car, a 1949 Hudson sedan, at midnight last night.

Wilson Notified

Police then notified Norman Wilson of Dallas, who loaded his bloodhounds into a truck and left immediately for the rugged mountain area. The intensive search was started at day break Wednesday and state officers said they had received a report that the youth's trail had been picked up at noon.

Police surmised that the Albany fisherman had gotten lost Saturday and didn't go to Marion Lake as he had indicated. Possibility that he is down and injured might have prevented him from walking out.

His father said the youth wasn't an experienced fisherman and had not been in the area where he is lost.

Hot Weather Covers Much Of Country

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hot and humid weather blanketed much of the country Wednesday and numerous temperature readings over the 100 degree mark were reported.

Temperatures rose into the 90s as far north as the area from the upper Mississippi Valley to southern New England. Readings above 100 were recorded in South Dakota.

The mercury was above 100 in sections of southern Nevada to the Rio Grande Valley. At Yuma, Ariz., a scorching 117 degrees was reported.

Wet weather and strong southeasterly winds were forecast Wednesday for the Gulf coastal sections of Louisiana, northwest Alabama and Mississippi. More than five inches of rain was measured in Burrwood, La., since early Tuesday while Mobile, Ala., and Pensacola, Fla., reported over two inches.

Early morning temperatures were in the 70s and 80s from the plains states eastward today after readings of 90 and above yesterday.

Season Underway

Influx of Tourists Hits Salem Area

Influx of tourists to Salem is under way judging from registrations at the tourists' bureau in the State house and reports of owners of motels in the area.

Gene Vandeneynde, in charge of the state bureau, said Tuesday that on Sunday and Monday visitors from eleven states in the United States, Alaska, Honolulu, British Columbia and India registered.

"The tourists are coming earlier this year than last" Vandeneynde said. "Indications point to a greater number of tourists visiting Oregon this season than ever before."

Many States Represented

While the greatest number of tourists registered thus far come from the neighboring state of California, Washington and Idaho, there were registrations from Ohio, New Mexico, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Texas during the last two days, Vandeneynde said.

The majority of motor courts reported visitors from outside states, many of them traveling to and from the Portland Rose Festival last week in Portland.

E. J. Sickler, who operates the Gables Motel at 2175 South Commercial St., reported that the majority of tourists registering are from California and Canadian points while Frank Heloubek, who operates the Nod-a-Way motel at 3355 Portland road also reported tourist registrations since June 1. He also said that he had reservations from travelers from some midwestern and eastern states who are planning to visit Oregon and the Pacific northwest during the latter part of June and in July.

Greatest Season Ever

Other motel owners confirmed the early arrival of tourists to Salem, all expressing the belief that the tourist influx into the state this season will be greatest ever.

In Salem tourist organization centers at the Chamber of Commerce. The chamber has a tourist and conventions division headed by Junior Eckley with Les Davis and Jock Brydon as vice chairmen.

Recently a tourist brochure and a new city map have been published, containing much information about places of recreation and how to reach them, and the Izaak Walton League is preparing for the chamber a rundown on good fishing streams and lakes. The chamber expects to set up some trips for tourists, ranging from a few hours to a day's time, to coast or inland resorts.

Signs may appear soon at highway entrances to the city directing tourists to the Chamber of Commerce for information.

Budget of $8,500 Approved For Willamette River Days

Final Plans Made In Tuesday Session

By MARGARET MAGEE
Capital Journal Writer

Royalty to reign over the festivities, boat races, contests and a barbecue, those are all included in the plans for Salem's Willamette River Days July 4.

What's more those all cost money so Tuesday night the budget committee for the big celebration sat down and compiled the total budget and plans were completed for ticket sales for the event.

Total budget for the Willamette River Days was set at $8,500. This is to cover the cost of advertising the celebration, publicity, the parade and all events connected with Willamette River Days.

Ticket Points Told

Disbursing point for state employes to secure their tickets, which will be sold to finance the celebration, will be the state highway department information office. The Oregon State Employes association office at 320 North Church St., was designated as the place for the public to secure advance tickets. Later the tickets will be placed on sale at Stevens and Sons and Meier and Frank-Salem store. Already 7,000 tickets have been distributed to various groups and offices for sale. They will sell at a dollar per ticket.

Ivan Lowe of the U.S. National bank has been named as treasurer for the celebration and John Graham of the highway department has been named ticket chairman for the various groups. The ticket chairman for the downtown area is yet to be appointed. Over-all chairman for the celebration is Jim Daniels, executive secretary of the Oregon State Employes association.

Opens With Parade

Opening the celebration here will be a parade at 10 o'clock in the morning. This will include boats and trailers and soapbox derby bugs. Cherrians are in charge of the parade.

A family picnic at Bush's pasture is to follow the parade. There will be games here, too, for the children. Sponsoring this part of the celebration is the Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The boat races have been set to start at Wallace park as soon as the picnic ends, with the tentative time 12:30 o'clock, and will be under the direction of the Oregon Motor Boat Racing association.

An hour's intermission in the races is to be called at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and at this time the Salem Boat Club will present an aquatic show. This will include a tug boat race, a tug-of-war between two tug boats, a water ski exhibition, and a parade of boats.

Prizes Will Be Given

During the intermission period prizes presented to ticket holders will also be announced, the top prize to be a completely outfitted cabin cruiser with motor and trailer.

After the races have been resumed there will be a race of Roaring Inboard Hydroplanes, a boat capable of going 100 miles per hour.

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