

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY FAIR tonight and Saturday with patches of morning fog. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 25; high Saturday, 30.

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Cuba Nips Civilians' Rebellion

4 Slain in Attack By 200 Men on 2 Police Posts

SANTIAGO DE CUBA (AP)—About 200 armed civilians attacked two police stations here Friday in an attempt to spark a revolt against Cuba's President Batista. The government claimed the rebellion was crushed in less than two hours.

Under Control by Army Gen. Francisco Tabernilla, chief of the armed forces, said the situation was under control and that the army was rounding up small groups of dispersed rebels.

The insurgents, many of them wearing olive-colored uniforms similar to the army's, attacked the national police and maritime police stations at 5:45 a.m.

The group that attacked the national police headquarters withdrew to an abandoned structure next door which formerly had been used as a school and city hall and barricaded themselves inside. Before police and soldiers could counterattack, the rebels set fire to the building and fled.

Bandit Grabs Family, Robs Dallas Store

DALLAS (Special)—Henry W. Dalpez, manager of the Safeway store here, his wife and two children were kidnapped Thursday night and Dalpez forced to open the store safe and deliver its contents to the bandit.

Amount of the money taken was not disclosed. Dalpez told police that he was met by the bandit as he returned home from the store after closing about 9:20 p.m. and forced into the house where the bandit ordered his wife, Verne, and their two children, Lynn, 10, and Vickie, four, to dress and accompany them in Dalpez's car.

Driving to the store, Dalpez said, the bandit remained in the car holding his family as hostages, ordering him to open the safe and bring its contents.

Dalpez then was ordered to return to his home where the bandit entered with the family and at gunpoint ordered him to separate the cash from the checks.

Taking the money, the bandit then forced Dalpez to drive to the vicinity of the junior high school on Academy street where he fled.

When Dalpez returned home his wife already had called police, who with state police and the sheriff are investigating the robbery.

Smith Okays Short Staffs December 24

Within limits of the demands for state service on the Monday just prior to Christmas day, Governor Elmo Smith Friday authorized executive departments to operate on that day with minimum staffs.

In a memorandum to all department heads under his supervision, Gov. Smith said: "Since Christmas day falls on Tuesday this year, department heads are likely to experience some difficulty in scheduling work on the preceding Monday. This is to be expected and understandable. To many of our employees, Christmas has a significance that transcends that of any other holiday."

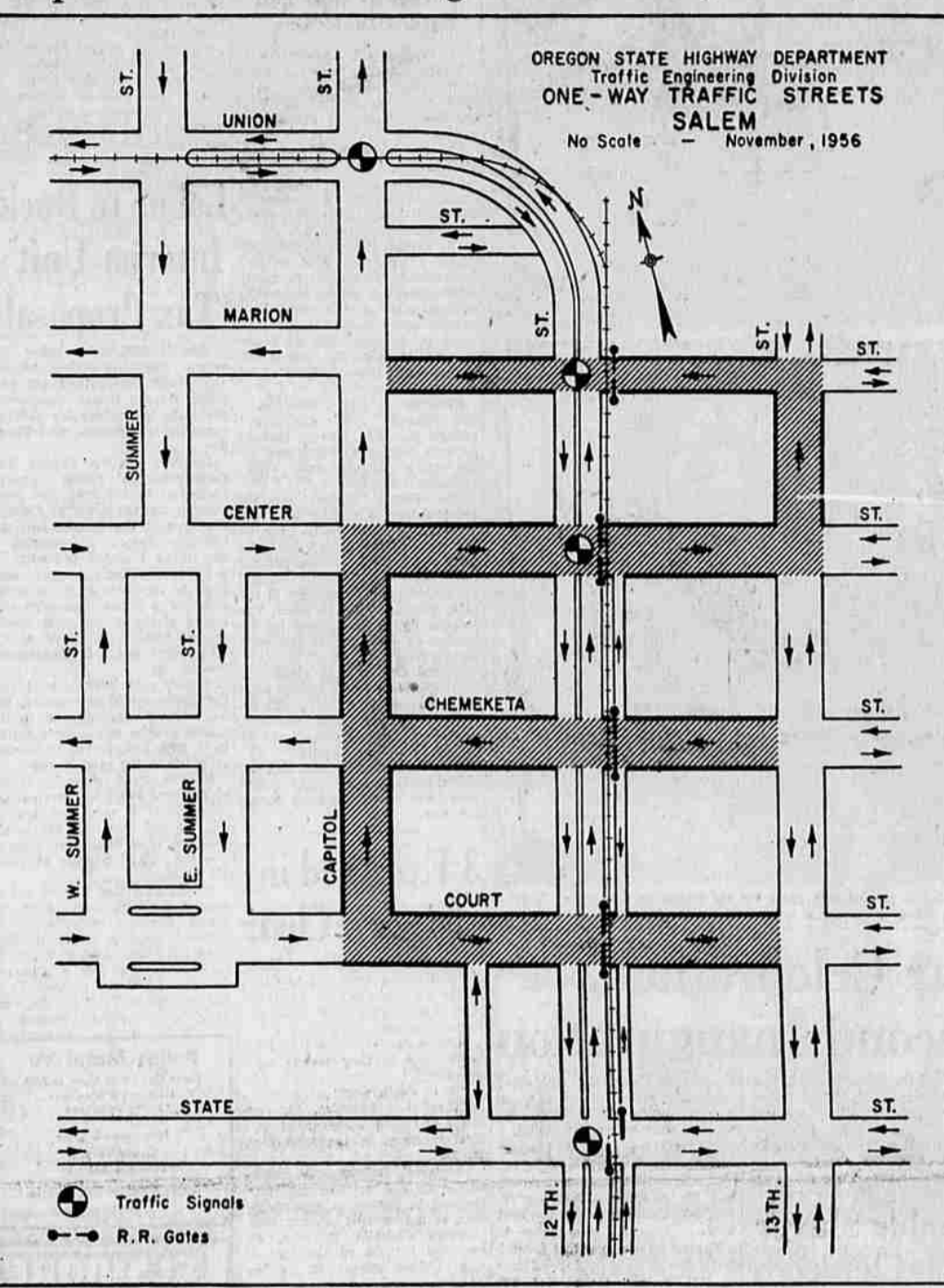
"They have a strong desire to spend some time with homefolks during the Christmas season and I believe this should be made possible for as many as the requirements of the state will permit."

"Therefore, I am authorizing those department heads under my supervision to operate with minimum staffs on December 24. Employees who may be required to work all or part of that day in order to maintain necessary service, should be given equal time off at some other time during the holiday season. It should be understood that this arrangement is not meant to set a precedent for any other holiday that may fall on Tuesday."

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday 46, minimum today 23. Total 24-hour rainfall 3.85. Sea level precipitation 8.48; normal 11.15. River height, 2.4 of a foot. (Report by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

Capitol Area Streets Changed to One-Way Grid System



As a result of construction and new railroad signals in the 12th street area of the Capitol Mall, several streets have been added to the one-way grid system. They are shown in this map prepared by the State Highway Commission. Shaded areas indicate streets which will next week be one-way. Traffic signals will be installed at the intersections of 12th and State streets, 12th and Center, 12th and Marion and Capitol and Union streets. Railroad drop arm gates will be installed on 12th at State, Court, Chemeketa, Center and Marion streets. (See other pictures Sec. 1, P. 2)

Forest Blazes Tamed as NW Winds Subside

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Fire lines held Thursday night as east winds which have fanned Pacific Northwest forest fires the past few days lessened their wallop.

The Oregon forester's office in Salem had no new trouble reports Friday morning. The forecast was for continued fair weather with decreasing winds.

This was only partially good news for foresters who are hoping for rain to relieve the fire hazard. The last measurable rainfall in Western Oregon and Washington was 12 days ago on Nov. 18.

The dry, windy weather and unseasonable low humidities created the region's worst forest fire hazard of the past five years. It resulted in logging closures in southwestern Washington and ban on burning without permits in 13 Northwestern Oregon counties.

The fires in the Astoria watershed remained among the most serious blazes. They were held within the 4,000 acres of burned over slash lands Thursday night. In the Salmonberry River region of Clatsop county — part of the old Tillamook Burn — some 2,500 acres were blacked within fire trail lines.

40 South Salem Residents Form Committee to Fight City Move

By GLENN CUSHMAN Capital Journal City Editor Controversy over incorporation of a new city of Salem Heights flared into the open Thursday night when some 40 area residents voted to form a "Citizens committee" to fight the proposal made by some officers and members of the South Salem Chamber of Commerce.

The group, most of whom said they "want to live in the country," voted to start circulating petitions against incorporation to offset petitions now being carried by the incorporation-backers. They said they also seek "more information" on costs involved if a new city were formed.

E. W. Rector, 3615 Lillegard Lane, was elected chairman of the group at the meeting held at

'Indecent' Book Jury Deadlock

2nd St. Clair 7 Not Likely Until Next Term

By FRED ZIMMERMAN Capital Journal Writer A second trial involving the alleged indecency of a 25-cent pocket book in which Jack St. Clair will be the defendant is not likely to take place during the present term of court.

This was indicated late Thursday by Circuit Judge George R. Duncan when he dismissed a jury of five women and seven men who had deliberated seven hours without avail.

Battle Will Continue Mrs. John Pfeifer, Silverton housewife, who was largely instrumental in procuring evidence upon which an indictment was returned against St. Clair, an agent of a news agency, said she would continue to battle against the distribution of "indecent" literature.

The jurors, after returning from lunch Thursday afternoon, twice asked Judge Duncan for further instructions. They indicated a bit of indecision concerning the judge's statement that the book in question, "A Dame Called Murder," should be considered in its entirety and not piecemeal.

The judge further told the jurors that a book can be held unfit for public distribution and sale if it tends to deprave the minds of its readers or induces immoral conduct.

Had the jurors returned a verdict of guilty against St. Clair he would have been sentenced under a misdemeanor charge which calls for a fine or a possible jail sentence. (Continued on Page 5 Column 5)

Hatfield Turns In Resignation As State Solon

Mark Hatfield, secretary of state-elect, today submitted his resignation as a state senator from Marion County.

Hatfield's successor will be appointed by the Marion county court under provisions of a statute which requires the appointment to be made from a member of the same political party as the resignee.

It is the usual procedure for the court to get a recommendation from the Marion county Republican central committee. The committee will not have a chance to meet until next week because Chairman John Carlin is in the midst.

Among the possibilities for appointment to Hatfield's senate seat are Otto J. Wilson, Salem Mayor Robert White, State Representative Robert Elfstrom and Sidney Schiesinger. Former Representative John Steehammer, all of Salem and R. E. Cook and Harry Carson, both of Silverton.

Hatfield was elected to the senate in 1954 after nomination by both parties in the May primary. He had earlier served two terms in the House of Representatives. He was elected secretary of state November 6th.

FPC Licenses Swift 2 Dam

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Power Commission Thursday issued a 50-year license to Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowilla County, Longview, Wash., for the proposed 12 million dollar Swift No. 2 hydroelectric project on the Lewis River in Washington.

The fire was discovered by Harvey Carter, night bartender in the lounge. Carter, Karl Caswell, tender of the main bar, and Doty were the only persons in the building at the time.

Earlier in the night the building had been well-filled, for it was old-timers' night and a large dinner had been served in the second floor auditorium just before the Thursday night lodge meeting.

Noticed Smoke Carter had left the ladies lounge, which is known as the "Circus Room," to take some money to Caswell for deposit in the safe. Suddenly he noticed smoke coming from the lounge.

Iraqi War on Syria About to Flare Up, Turks Tell Britain

Russ Aim Massive Propaganda Blast At U.S. and Allies

By DANIEL F. GILMORE United Press Staff Correspondent LONDON (UP)—Baghdad Radio announced today that Iraq had proclaimed martial law in four provinces to fight subversive activities. Turkey was reported to have warned Britain that Iraq may resort to force to prevent Syria becoming a Soviet satellite.

The threat of a new Middle East flareup over Communist infiltration of Syria brought crisis talks in London by France, Britain and Turkey and a barrage of veiled threats against the West by the Soviet Union.

Moscow Radio accused Western "imperialists" of plotting armed "intervention" in Syria in hopes of strengthening the anti-Communist Baghdad pact. Western sources feared a Syrian attack on neighboring Iraq or Israel.

Baghdad Radio, heard in Beirut, Lebanon, said martial law was declared in the four northern provinces of Mosul, which borders Syria and Turkey; Erbil, which borders Turkey and Iran, and Kirkuk and Sulaymanya, which border Iran.

U.S. Activates Emergency Oil Shipment Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States Friday ordered into effect its emergency plan to move Western Hemisphere petroleum to oil-hungry Europe.

The plan, drafted weeks ago, visualizes possible ultimate shipment of 1,000,000 barrels of oil daily. But official sources said actual shipments probably would not go higher than about 500,000 barrels a day.

Mobilization director Arthur S. Flemming asked Secretary of Interior Seaton to activate the industry's Middle East emergency committee.

This committee representing 15 oil companies has standby plans to pool production, distribution, and tanker facilities for an effort to ease the European petroleum crisis resulting from blockage of the Suez Canal.

Flemming's action implied, but did not state, that the United States has obtained what it considers sufficient assurances from the French and British governments that their forces will be withdrawn, leaving the United Nations a free hand to stabilize conditions in Egypt.

Stove Blowup Burns Woman

DALLAS (Special)—Mrs. Lawrence Short, 56, Grand Ronde, is in Bartlett hospital being treated for third degree burns on her hands and minor burns on the face and body suffered Thursday night when an explosion and fire destroyed the family home.

The woman's husband escaped with minor burns for which he was treated and released. Mrs. Short was lighting a fire with diesel oil when the stove exploded spraying her with flaming oil. Trapped in the kitchen, Mrs. Short was forced to break a window to escape.

Early Morning Blaze Destroys Lounge

A fire that started about 2:20 a.m. Friday left a shambles of the Elks club ladies lounge, the "Circus Room." The room, which had been recently redecorated, was totally destroyed by flames.

Damage was estimated at \$25,000. Elks secretary Earl Croghan views the damage Friday morning. (Capital Journal Photo)

State Welfare Chief Resigns Mrs. Lea Howard Mason, administrator of the state public welfare commission, who filed her resignation with members of the commission in Portland Friday, was highly commended by Governor Elmo Smith for her "most generous and effective contributions to thousands of citizens in the state, as well as to the state government as a whole."

It is with genuine regret that we lose the services of Mrs. Mason," the governor said, "but I certainly can understand and appreciate the personal reasons that impel her to take this action."

Miss Jennie Jewell, who has served as Mrs. Mason's assistant for the past eight years, was named by the commission to the post, effective Dec. 15, the date of Mrs. Mason's departure.

Mrs. Mason was not available for comment but in her office it was said that her resignation was made in order that she could travel with her husband.

Mrs. Mason has been with the welfare department for the past 20 years, and served as administrator during the last 12 years of this period.

Dangerous Symptoms British sources expressed fear Soviet propagandists were inciting Kurdish tribesmen against the Iraqi government. Britain has been alive to the possibility Russia would foster Kurdish claims to a vast area which overlaps sections of Iraq, Syria and Iran.

But Western diplomats viewed Moscow's sudden outburst of charges in the defense of Syria as the most dangerous symptom of threatening crisis. The charges were the most serious since the height of the cold war, and carried with them a chilling prospect of a new and bigger Middle East war.

Other Mideast developments included: 1. Soviet-led fleet, the official organ of the Russian Red fleet, said U. S. Sixth Fleet maneuvers in the Mediterranean had "obviously provocative aims." 2. Vice Adm. Charles H. Brown, Sixth Fleet commander, said tension was so high in the Middle East that "tomorrow could be my (Continued on Page 5, Column 1)

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