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MOSTLY CLOUDY with scattered showers tonight, Thursday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 45; high Thursday, 54.

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Hungary's Reds War On Strike

Soviet Army Joins Savage Street Fighting

VIENNA (UPI) — Savage street fighting broke out today in Budapest and the Hungarian provinces. Reports reaching Vienna indicated the Soviet Army was attacking the rebel patriots in a massive effort to end Hungary's nationwide strike against the puppet government.

The Hungarians had prayed for a miracle to save them from another round of bloodletting in their struggle for freedom but the miracle did not come and fighting resumed today.

Soviet armed forces and Red Hungarian militiamen had been alerted for instant duty and needed only a word of command to launch a new massacre.

Bloody Clashes Reported

Reports filtering through to Vienna from silenced Budapest said bloody clashes were taking place wherever the new Red police of puppet Premier János Kadar attempted to make the strikers return to work.

But the reports indicated the fighting had not yet reached the scale of another all out uprising.

The crush of mobile artillery and mortar fire kept tens of Budapest awake through most of the night.

And in the hills to the north, Russian infantry and tanks closed in on 10,000 partisans who began shooting even before a presidential committee declared martial law and outlawed the regional workers councils Sunday.

Machinings were rattled especially from the Geleit hills, a villa-speckled outcrop within the confines of western Budapest. It was believed Hungarian police and militia and not the Soviets were attacking the freedom fighters in this area.

Martial Law In Effect

The clashes continued despite the heavy punishment by military tribunals that is to be meted out under the martial law which went into effect last night. The martial law provisions could be stretched to affect anybody who did not actively support the regime.

The picture of fighting in the province was not clear. Budapest still was cut off for the most part from communication with the outside world and refugee reports were conflicting.

But it was reported that clashes were frequent in the region of Pecs, where coal and uranium mines were in such bad condition that miners could do nothing even

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Mid-East Oil Saboteurs Set Off 16 Bombs

LONDON (UPI) — Saboteurs exploded 16 bombs early Tuesday in the Anglo-American oil fields at Kuwait setting fire to oil wells and damaging pipelines. Dispatches from Bahrain reported today.

It was the first serious outbreak against the West since end of the Suez fighting. Kuwait police began an investigation but said no arrests had been made.

Other attacks on oil wells, gas pipelines, power station and a water distillation plant were unsuccessful, but tanker loadings were suspended and strict security precautions were set up.

A foreign office spokesman said the sabotage had not affected the overall production in Kuwait. Britain's biggest oil suppliers, Kuwait is an independent Arab nation under British protection and is located at the head of the Persian Gulf. It supplies 50 per cent of Britain's oil.

Clouds Block Plane Search For 2nd Day

VANCOUVER, B.C. (UPI) — Low-hanging clouds for the second day thwarted searchers Wednesday in the hunt for a Trans Canada Air Lines plane that vanished with 42 persons aboard Sunday night.

Even a helicopter couldn't get through for a search of an inland mountain area. It had to turn back after traveling less than 10 of the 55 miles to Sumas mountain.

The search focused on the mountain after a boy and two men reported seeing, at long range, an object which possibly could be a piece of airliner wreckage.

However, the helicopter pilot said he had made a "tree by tree" search of the mountain Monday without seeing anything resembling wreckage. It has snowed at upper elevations since then making any search doubly difficult.

Royal Canadian Mounted search leader discontinued earlier reports of lights having been seen on two peaks farther to the east on the night of the crash.

Yule Packages Pile Up at Post Office



Mail clerk Roland Pope works on a large pile of Christmas packages, part of the heavy holiday mail that hit the Salem post office this week. Peak is expected next Monday. Use of this basement room and mail chute has alleviated space problems in the main building. From here packages are moved out a back door. (Capital Journal Photo).

NATO Council Votes Extension of Powers

Super-Parliament Plan Proposed By Lloyd

PARIS (AP) — Leaders of the Atlantic Alliance Wednesday reached tentative agreement on proposals to bolster the North Atlantic Treaty Organization by giving it wider political and economic powers.

The NATO Council of Ministers endorsed the general outlines of recommendations to this effect submitted by Gaetano Martino of Italy, Halvard Lange of Norway and Lester B. Pearson of Canada, a conference spokesman said. The three foreign ministers called "the three wise men" — have had the recommendations under study for months.

French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau upheld final action by insisting on submitting several amendments. West Germany's Heinrich von Brentano also notified the council he would have some amendments.

The conference spokesman said neither Pineau nor Von Brentano specified what he had in mind. Other sources said the French and Germans wanted to make the report even stronger than originally written.

In discussing the report, British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd came up with a proposal for establishing a kind of "super-parliament" with limited powers to serve NATO.

The British statesman's proposal before the North Atlantic Council was part of a three-point program for developing the political bonds between the 15 members of the NATO alliance.

Lloyd did not precisely define the sort of super parliament he has in mind—whether it would be elected and have the right to make laws or whether its members would be nominated with powers only to consult.

So far there has been little or no congestion in front of the parcel post windows at the south end of the main corridor. Two experienced receiving clerks, whose knowledge of zones relieve them of the necessity of stopping to determine the amount of postage needed, have been handling the outgoing mail with little or no delay.

For convenience of the public, arrangements have been made to keep the stamp and parcel post windows open each night until 8 o'clock except Sunday, through Dec. 19.

The customary children's letters addressed to Santa Claus are being received at the post office. They are being turned over to the Elks Lodge and the Active club.

Seattle Bus Pay Boosted

SEATTLE (UPI) — The Seattle Transit Commission, whose employees halted a 10-day strike under court order, granted coach operators a 6-cent hourly wage increase Tuesday.

The increase, retroactive to Dec. 9, represents the maximum shift by the commission before the walkout which ended on that date. It brings the hourly rate to \$2.24.

Arabs Report Briton Killed

PORT SAID, Egypt (UPI) — The Egyptian underground says it kidnapped and killed a young British lieutenant.

The report was brought to British headquarters Tuesday night in the face of British insistence that the lieutenant was returned quickly — and alive.

The British-French occupation command awaited firmer evidence before conceding the officer had been killed. But British Lt. Gen. Sir Hugh Stockwell, the occupation chief, let it be understood that some action would follow if the officer was not given up alive.

MATS Brings First 200 Refugees to U.S.

MCGUIRE AIR FORCE BASE, N.J. (UPI) — Four American military planes flew some 200 Hungarian refugees to the United States Wednesday in the start of a spectacular freedom flight.

The Military Air Transport Service (MATS) planes arrived shortly after 10 a.m. and taxied together to a receiving line of government and military officials.

The planes—three Air Force C-119's and a Navy RA-5C—came in from Munich, Germany, with the first of some 21,500 refugees due to arrive by air and sea before Dec. 31.

It was the end of a tiring 28-hour trip, but the refugees seemed to hold up well. They smiled as they walked off the planes, carrying small bags labeled "U. S. Escape Program," and headed for Camp Kilmer, N.J.

En route here, they had an enthusiastic and sympathetic reception all the way.

At Prestwick, Scotland, the first stop, defendants of U.S. service men stationed there were out in full force to see that the travelers got hot soup with plenty of milk for the 50 children among them.

At Harmon Field, Newfoundland, where the planes arrived on an icy field late at night, an even more impressive reception was held.

There, wives of servicemen and those of the military who were off duty spent most of the night making sure the refugees were made welcome.

The flights marked the beginning of the Air Force's "Operation Safe Haven," under which 9,700 refugees are scheduled to be brought here by Dec. 31 by air. The others will come by ship.

Bus Rider Slays Pal, Wounds 3

Gunman Disarmed In Newport Cafe By Driver

NEWPORT, Ore. (UPI) — An angry bus passenger who thought his companion had stolen \$100 from him as he napped, opened fire when they went into the bus depot restaurant here late Tuesday, killing his friend and wounding three bystanders.

The bus driver stepped up to the gunman and demanded the pistol as others in the restaurant sat frozen or dived for safety.

Jailed here on a booking of murder was John Willie Long, 36, of Dayton, Ohio.

S.P. Employee Victim

The victim was C. I. Huff, 43, Portland, a Southern Pacific Railroad employee who recently had moved from Coquille.

Huff and the man chaged with shooting him were old friends, Dist. Atty. A. R. McMullen said, who were riding together, along with Dallas Coates of Portland, from Coos Bay to Newport.

The district attorney said Long awoke from a nap and accused Huff of taking \$100 from him as he slept. When the bus reached here Long followed Huff into the restaurant, demanded the money and then, said McMullen, fired three quick shots.

Hit By 2 Bullets

Huff slumped to the floor dead with two bullets in his body. The third bullet ricocheted from the floor and broke into fragments. One hit Coats in the face, inflicting a minor wound; one hit Daniel Michael Clancy of Nestsu, Ore., in the shoulder and one hit Thomas Edgar Sanders, Molalla, Ore., in the hip. Clancy was to be released from the hospital Wednesday and Sanders was taken to Portland Veterans Hospital where his condition was satisfactory.

The bus driver, Roy Anderson, 40, of Medford, said the gun was smoking when he stepped up to Long and said "What the hell did you do that for? Give me the gun." Long did.

Schrunk Gets Auto Damage Suit Re-trial

Multnomah County Sheriff Terry D. Schrunk won a new trial Wednesday in a damage suit that once raised the question whether he could continue in office.

Mrs. Thular B. Hammons, Grants Pass, won a \$12,700 verdict against Schrunk, charging that his office failed to serve a summons in connection with an auto accident in which Mrs. Hammons was injured. The accident occurred in Josephine County and she said failure to serve the summons resulted in dismissal of her damage suit.

The state Supreme Court ordered a new trial Wednesday on the ground that the lower court permitted improper questions to be asked concerning Schrunk's assets.

After the lower court verdict the question was raised whether Schrunk could continue in office. Gov. Elmo Smith ruled that he could.

Peak Yuletide Mailing Eyed Next Monday

While the outgoing flow of parcel post matter has constituted pretty much of a steady stream this holiday season, it is probable that the peak mailing will come next Monday, in the opinion of Postmaster Albert C. Gragg. This view is based on experience of other Christmas seasons.

Because of the availability of basement space this year, Christmas mail has not piled up in the workroom on the first floor. As fast as the receiving clerks can weigh and stamp the parcels, they are chuted into the basement for packing and dispatch.

Jurors Acquit Silverton Man Of Rape Count

NORVAL JACKSON, 23-year-old Silverton man, was acquitted on a charge of statutory rape Tuesday afternoon by a Marion county jury.

All 12 members of the jury voted in favor of the defendant after deliberating about two hours.

The case was given to the jury just before noon. At that time the jurors said they wanted to deliberate before going out to lunch. At 1 o'clock they notified the bailiff that they had not reached an agreement and were taken to a downtown restaurant for their noon meal.

A 13-year-old Oregon City girl was involved in the rape charge. She testified that the act of intercourse had taken place in an automobile parked along a county road about a mile from the French home where the party was in progress.

The defendant categorically denied the girl's assertions. All of the testimony presented during the trial indicated that most participants in the party had been drinking beer and vodka.

Trial dates for a number of others indicted by a grand jury in connection with parties involving teen-agers have not been set.

Oil Firm's Plane Crashes; 8 Killed

BARTLESVILLE, Okla. (UPI) — Eight employees of Phillips Petroleum Co. were killed Wednesday when a company airplane spun into a ranch pasture. The crash occurred four miles southeast of Bartlesville.

One of the victims was A. M. Rippe, 61, head of Phillips' natural gas department. Others were W. C. Reed, a company attorney; C. W. Bickley, George Sneed, D. F. Mayfield and T. D. Young, all members of the gas division; and the two pilots, Joe Bowers and R. E. Ulrich.

The plane, a Lockheed Lodestar, was used for transportation of Phillips executives.

H. C. Black of nearby Nowata, a Sinclair Pipeline Co. worker, said he was the first person at the wreckage after he saw the twin-engine craft go into a spin and crash.

He said he was driving along U.S. Highway 75 when he first noticed the plane "fairly high" in the air. He said it suddenly began losing altitude and spun into a field off to his right behind a hill. A "big black cloud of smoke" immediately arose.

"There was an awful concussion when the plane hit," Black said.

7 Floridans Freed in Negro Flogging Trial

BUSINESSVILLE, Fla. (UPI) — Seven white men were cleared Wednesday against charges of flogging Jesse Woods, 39-year-old Negro who had been forcibly taken from nearby Wildwood jail.

The men were cleared on a directed verdict of Circuit Judge T. P. Futch after State Atty. A. P. Bule himself asked that four of the men be freed.

The case blew wide open when Bule complained that witnesses changed their stories when they came into Sumter County Court-house to testify.

The defense then moved that directed verdicts of acquittal be granted for the other three defendants.

The state had just lost a battle to get in a statement from George (Georgia Boy) Altman. The statement was taken after Altman's arrest in connection with the flogging case.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 59; minimum, 43. Today, 68 for month; 1.95; normal, 73.5. Season precipitation, 18.77; normal, 32.9. Windy tonight, 11 S. Weather Bureau.

Oregon Floods Wreak Big Havoc on Roads, Bridges

High Water to Spare Valley Damage

High water continued to plague the mid-Willamette area Wednesday, with river crests to be slightly higher than first predicted.

Barring unexpected deluges, however, the first big rush of high water of the season is due to pass this region without too costly damage.

At Salem, the Willamette was up to 12.9 feet Wednesday morning and is slated to crest at 17 1/2 feet about noon Thursday, one foot higher than the original forecast. Flood stage here is 20 feet.

20.6 Feet at Jefferson

The rampaging Santiam passed 20.6 feet at Jefferson about midnight Tuesday to bring the greatest spillover in that section in some time. The river had subsided some early this morning, the weather bureau reporting the last reading at 19.1 feet. The intake from the mass of water there is bringing up the Willamette in this section more than usual.

Except for extensive washing along the banks, there was little damage to report from the Santiam spillover. Because of the sudden rush of water from the torrential rains in the canyons above, there were many logs, trees and debris rushing along with the roily waters. In the Tabot area, near where the river joins the Willamette, there was water over the road at one place near the D. Davidson place, reports stated Wednesday.

Albany Crest Nears

The Willamette is due to crest at 19.2 feet tonight at Corvallis and at 19 feet about 4 a.m. Thursday at Albany. Flood level is 20 feet at both points.

Rain slackened off considerably in the valley area over Tuesday night. At Salem only .08 of an inch was measured in the 24-hour period ending at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Five-day forecast calls for scattered showers tonight and Thursday, then recurring rains through the period. Temperatures and rainfall totals, however, are to be about normal.

New, Old UF Presidents

Retiring United Fund President Herbert E. Barker, right, congratulates Bernard Mainwaring, named president Tuesday for the next year at a meeting of the board of directors. (Capital Journal Photo)

Mainwaring to Head United Fund in 1957

Bernard Mainwaring, editor and publisher of the Capital Journal, Tuesday was elected president of the Salem United Fund for 1957. He succeeds retiring president Herbert E. Barker.

The 42-member board, which organized Tuesday for the coming year, also named other officers: Benjamin Little, first vice president; Dean Pfoofs, second vice president; Arthur B. Bates, treasurer; and Claude A. Kells, executive secretary.

The board officially endorsed the current Marion county Red Cross special campaign for a quota of \$3,016 in the Hungarian relief effort.

Barker appointed Albert C. Offenstein to represent Salem at a Thursday meeting in Seattle called to help plan for next April's annual meeting of the western conference of United Funds.

The new president has long been active in community affairs in both Salem and in Nampa, Ida., where he resided until 1953. He has been on the local UF board for three years.

Independence Road Flooded

LEBANON (Special) — Two men were rescued from the surging waters of the South Santiam river near Waterloo Tuesday afternoon after clinging to a tree for two and a half hours.

Near-victims of the flooding river were George Hayes, Sweet Home, and Bob Wright, Rt. 1, Lebanon.

The two men went out on the river in a boat in an attempt to salvage a caterpillar tractor that was half submerged by the rising water. During the attempt the boat overturned, spilling both men in the water. They managed to cling to a nearby tree.

Plight of the men was noticed by Leonard Rowell who called the Lebanon fire department for help. Responding to the call were Ken Fuller, assistant fire chief, and Arlie Bartram, fireman, who took the flood victims to shore in another boat. Assisting in the rescue were Gus August, of the Albany Democrat Herald, and Bob Howard.

The South Santiam river crested at Waterloo at 19 feet at 3 p.m., a half hour after the rescue.

Earlier in the day Bartram and August assisted Glen Brandel, a farmer, in rescuing 15 head of cattle stranded on a small area of high ground near Waterloo.

Baby 'Champ' At 12 Pounds

Salem Memorial hospital has a new "champ" in the largest baby division for 1956. And it's doubtful if this year's record will be broken soon.

A 12-pound, 6-ounce baby girl was born Wednesday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Preece, 646 Gerth Ave. Hospital authorities immediately crowned the young lady unofficial champ in the poundage division of the stork derby.

Oakridge Area Hardest Hit; Rails Out

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Western Oregon's mountain streams began dropping back into their banks Wednesday, leaving debris and broken communication routes over a wide area.

All the way south from Detroit Dam to the California line the rivers, which surged upward from a Monday deluge and crews were put to work bolstering it so trains could resume service. The northbound Cascade was held south of Oakridge and the southbound Klammath was held at Oakridge but they were expected to be on their way again by early afternoon.

The Willamette Highway, though, will be closed for some days. Two sections of the highway each about 250 feet long were washed out by Salt Creek 14 miles east of Oakridge. The Salmon Creek highway bridge at Oakridge was open only to one-way traffic.

Residents Isolated

Water on McKenzie Highway still kept that route closed at Finn Rock. Two miles east of there Elk Creek bridge was expected to be closed for a day or two for repairs. This has isolated the residents of Blue River and McKenzie Bridge.

Oakridge residents, who had a scare in the Tuesday night flooding, were reassured when the water began draining swiftly. However, their drinking water supply was believed possibly contaminated and boiling was recommended by Mayor Kenneth L. Randall.

South of Roseburg the South Fork River crested Tuesday night to save their homes in the Winston area surrounded. No one was evacuated, though, and damage was minor.

Most of the trouble in that area, as elsewhere, came from tributary streams. Main channels were able—in most cases—to handle the water. The Rogue, for example, crested at Grants Pass five feet short of flood stage.

Road and bridge damage was being surveyed Wednesday along all of the Cascade and Coast Mountain tributaries.

2 Saved From Flood Waters; Cling to Tree

DETROIT HOMES PERILED

At the northern end of the flood troubles, 16 Forest Service men battled at Detroit Ranger Station to save their settlement when running water cut a channel down a hillside and threatened homes, offices and maintenance buildings. They succeeded, with bulldozers, in scooping out a new channel.

In the Lebanon area the South Santiam River swept onto former Glen Brandel's pastureland and only quick response from neighbors enabled him to save 15 head of trapped cattle.

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