

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY CLOUDY tonight, becoming partly cloudy Saturday. Patches of morning fog. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 32; high Saturday, 42.

Actress Marie McDonald Kidnaped from Home

University of Oregon Library 95-6561

3 Welfare Aides Shot in Courthouse

Apparently Kidnaped

Abductors Telephone 2 Threats

\$259.8 Million Budget Drawn By Gov. Smith

Agency Requests Cut of \$20 Million; \$2 Million 'Cushion' Provided; No School Aid Hike Added

By JAMES D. OLSON Capital Journal Writer Governor Elmo Smith slashed more than \$20 million from the general budget requests of state agencies in the 1957-59 biennial budget to be submitted to the 1957 legislature.

Demos Set Up Party-Session Consultations

Congress Leaders Not To Have Veto Over Advisory Unit

WASHINGTON (AP) — National Chairman Paul M. Butler said Friday Democratic leaders of Congress have agreed to discuss with the party's advisory committee Saturday methods of "consulting" with it.

Second Biggest Non-Atom Shot Shatters Cliff

LITTLE VALLEY, Utah (UP) — Nearly one million pounds of explosives shattered a cliff on the snow covered shore of Great Salt Lake at 6:45 a.m. PST today to crack loose thousands of tons of rock for the new Southern Pacific crossing on the lake.

Bandit Forces Bank to Open, Takes \$17,000

MILTON, Wis. (UP) — A young gunman who apparently had "spotted the bank for some time" robbed the Bank of Milton of about \$17,000 in cash early today.

Copter Crash Kills 3 Men

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (UP) — Air Force officials today investigated the crash of a helicopter in the desert near this test center, claiming the lives of three airmen.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 46; minimum today, 23. Total 24-hour precipitation for month: 1.2; normal, 1.8. Seasonal precipitation, 11.6; normal, 18.7. River height, 1.6 feet. (Report by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

Saw Ends Life for Giant Landmark



The end was near for this giant black walnut tree Friday as final cuttings were made on the landmark standing in the backyard of the James Lang home at 1065 S. 18th St. John Davis is just getting started on the four-foot-plus base of the 150-foot tree, which was scheduled to be finished off by noon Friday. The tree was getting to be a hazard to the nearby house seen in the background. (Capital Journal Photo)

Giant Tree in City Felled as Safety Action

There was an empty place in the sky today at 1065 S. 18th St. The air had been filled with a huge black walnut tree whose size became a danger to the Mr. and Mrs. James Lang home. The tree had to come down.

County, State Act to Banish Traffic Kink

An agreement whereby traffic from the North Santiam highway will flow westward into Mission street without making awkward turns was reached Friday morning between members of the Marion county court and the Oregon highway department.

Holmes Asks Cooperation

PORTLAND (AP) — Gov. elect Robert Holmes Thursday night said Oregon residents must work together to solve the "great problems" which face the state.

Cloudy, Chilly 5-Day Outlook

Cloudy skies, patches of morning fog, and below normal temperatures are all in the weather picture for the next five days—and a bit of light rain over the weekend.

Naval Ship Escapes Antarctic Ice Pack

MCMURDO SOUND, Antarctica (AP) — The crew of an Operation Deep Freeze supply ship made emergency repairs today in the shelter of an antarctic cape after their 7,400-ton vessel freed from the grip of a crushing ice pack.

One Dead, 2 Injured Critically

Relief Check Row Stirs Shooting By Man, 76

KLAMATH FALLS (AP) — A 76-year-old Bonanza man climaxed an argument over his welfare checks by pulling out a pistol and shooting a Klamath Falls County Commissioner and two welfare workers here Friday.

Senate Opens Fight On Filibuster Rules

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators leading a fight to curb filibusters Friday called it "panic propaganda" for opponents to argue that their move might tie the Senate in knots indefinitely.

Anderson Hits at Southern 'Panic Propaganda'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Anderson (D-NM) opened the debate on the rules issue by urging his colleagues to back the motion he and 30 other senators offered Thursday to take up the adoption of new rules.

Convicts Shun Food 5th Day

The hunger strike of 16 convicts in the segregation building at the state penitentiary went into its fifth day Friday, Warden Clarence T. Gladden said.

Korea Veteran Discloses Plot To Kill H. S. T.

ALBEMARLE, N. C. (AP) — A Korean veteran saying he was bent on avenging his brother's death, revealed a weird plan here Thursday to assassinate former President Harry S. Truman.

Payment to IP Seen If High Dam Okayed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government lawyers expressed the opinion Friday it would be up to Congress to decide whether the government should pay for flooding a private power project in the event a federal Hells Canyon Dam is built.

Army Contract Probe Ordered

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. McClellan (D-Ark.) Friday ordered his Senate investigations subcommittee staff to make "preliminary inquiry" into a big Army contract awarded to a firm headed by the wife of Asst. Secretary of Defense Robert Trapp Hoar.



HOLLYWOOD—Blonde screen actress Marie McDonald apparently was kidnaped from her Encino, Calif., home today. Threat telephone calls were made to her mother and divorced husband. The FBI entered the case. (AP Wirephoto.)

President of Austria Dies At Age of 83

VIENNA (AP) — President Theodor Koerner of Austria died Friday at his home. He was 83 years old. A bachelor, he was elected to the presidency in a close runoff election in 1951. He formerly had been Vienna's Socialist lord mayor.

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Van Nuys, Calif. (AP)—Police said Friday that actress Marie McDonald telephoned a film columnist early Friday morning to say she was being held captive by two young men.

Police Lt. Ernie Johnston told reporters that Miss McDonald called columnist Harrison Carroll at 4:35 a.m. and said two young men, one Mexican and one Negro, came to her door and took her out of the house. "They wanted my ring and money," Miss McDonald was quoted as saying. "They gave me a shot of something. We're in a house now and they're in the other room."

By DEAN GAUTSCHY United Press Staff Correspondent HOLLYWOOD (UP) — Beautiful Marie (The Body) McDonald was kidnaped from her bed in night clothes early today by abductors who left a trail of telephoned threats saying "Don't call anyone if you want to see her alive again," police said today. The FBI was notified immediately and Valley Division police said after their morning long investigation that "only a remote possibility" exists that the disappearance of the blonde actress from her palatial San Fernando Valley home was a hoax or publicity stunt or that she left home willingly.

Miss McDonald's ex-husband, wealthy shoe manufacturer Harry Karl, told police a young male voice, extremely nervous, told him over the telephone about 2:10 a.m. "I've got Marie. Don't call anyone if you want to see her alive again." He said the mysterious caller must have gotten his telephone number from Marie because he has an unlisted number.

Children Asleep A similar anonymous call was made to Miss McDonald's mother and she rushed to the home where servants already had found her bed empty, the three children sleeping peacefully in adjoining rooms.

But the call to the mother said: "We have Marie. Don't call police. She won't be hurt." The former Powers model and "Scandals" girl, who hasn't made a movie in six years, apparently was abducted shortly after midnight. She was wearing only her night robe and a pair of black flat slippers, according to police.

A kidnap note, partially pencilled and partly composed of words clipped from newspapers, was found by police in the black mailbox outside the fence surrounding the McDonald residence. "Don't call police. She won't be hurt to get money. We will get in touch with you," it read.

Room Was Undisturbed Police Inspector Henry Kerr said Miss McDonald's boxer dog, Duke, was roaming the fence-enclosed yard when they arrived in response to a telephone call from Miss McDonald's mother, who telephoned them immediately after she spotted the anonymous call. Miss McDonald's room was undisturbed except for signs she had retired, although the telephone was out of the hook. "It's frightening," said Karl. The couple's interdictory divorce decree, under which Miss McDonald received a \$1 million total (Continued on Page 5 Column 6)