

THE WEATHER

MOSTLY CLOUDY with scattered showers of mixed rain or snow tonight; partial clearing and cooler Wednesday. Low tonight, 27; high Wednesday, 35.

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Ike Takes Final Dry Belt Look May Announce His Plan for Relief in Wichita

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH TUCSON, Ariz. — President Eisenhower was told Tuesday that Arizona's drought stricken ranges are in the worst condition in more than 30 years.

Before taking off for the final round of drought inspection, he heard that cattle, one of the backbones of the state's economy, were the poorest since the Crop and Livestock Reporting Service began making estimates in 1922.

Breeding Herds Depleted Dr. Harold Myers, dean of the College of Agriculture at the University of Arizona, said:

"The drought effect will last far beyond the coming calf crop. Breeding cow numbers will have to be rebuilt. This repair job will take several years."

Some ranchers already have spent almost as much on feed as the value of their cows, Myers said.

The President may disclose later Tuesday what the federal government proposes to do about easing the worsening plight of farmers and ranchers.

Aides said the President might talk about some of his plans at a conference scheduled late in the day at Wichita, Kan. He will meet at McConnell Air Force Base there with representatives of all states confronted with drought damage problems.

To Colorado, Kansas In advance of that session Eisenhower's program calls for on-the-spot study of the situation here in Arizona and in the regions around Pueblo, Colo., and Garden City, Kan.

The President arranged an early breakfast meeting at Tucson's Davis Monthan Air Base, where he spent the night, for a report on what Arizona folks would like in the way of federal relief measures. Then he was gone.

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Dulles Sees U.S. In Mid-East War If Policy Vetoed

WASHINGTON — Secretary Dulles said Tuesday that if Congress turns down President Eisenhower's Middle East program events may get out of hand with "a very great likelihood" American boys may have to fight there.

He argued the chances of actual involvement of U.S. troops would be diminished if Eisenhower were given standby authority to use them in event of Soviet aggression.

'Great Likelihood' Dulles was asked by Sen. Langer (R-ND) what were the possibilities of American boys having to fight in the Middle East.

"If the resolution passes, there is very little likelihood," Dulles replied. "If it doesn't pass there is a very great likelihood."

For the second day, members of the Senate Foreign Relations and Armed Services committees were questioning Dulles about the Eisenhower program which calls for (A) financial aid to nations of the Middle East, and (B) stand-by authority to use U.S. troops to combat any direct Soviet aggression in that part of the world.

There were plans at one time to wind up the questioning of Dulles Tuesday. But after protests by Sen. Morse (D-Ore) against any "pressure to shorten questioning," Sen. Green (D-RI) who heads up the joint group, said Dulles would be called for further questioning after next week's inauguration ceremonies.

Asks Proof for Statement Speaking in a hoarse voice, Morse told the public hearing: "I'm so frightened about the matter I'm almost speechless as my voice shows."

Several Democratic senators have said they want to ask Dulles to give some proof for a statement he made Monday—that the Communist threat to the Middle East is the most dangerous situation we have faced over the past 40 years.

One general argument that Dulles makes is that the Soviets are less likely to engage in aggression in the Middle East if they have plain notice in advance that the United States will fight.

Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn) said there had been no administration effort to get Great Britain, France and other nations of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to join in the undertaking involved in the resolution.

"If Europe were a part of the plan," Dulles said, "it would be absolutely doomed from the beginning. It would not succeed."

OSWEGO, N.Y. (UP)—Gas service supplying heat to an estimated 20,000 persons in nine communities was cut off by a valve break today. A Civil Defense emergency was declared to assist families forced from their homes in temperatures as low as 24 degrees below zero.

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Syria Denies Giving Soviet Air Base Site

DACCA, Pakistan (UP)—Syrian President Shukri Kuwattiy Tuesday denied a London newspaper report that a Soviet secret air base had been established in Syria.

He said this report was completely without foundation.

Kuwattiy, who is on a 10-day tour of Pakistan, said here that Syria believed in a policy of "positive neutrality."

The London Daily Mail said Monday Russia had set up a secret air base at Risaf, 100 miles southeast of Aleppo and converted old Roman cisterns into shelters and storehouses.

Minus 55 Cold Sets N.Y. Mark Records Tumble by Hundreds; Many Schools Shut

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Glacial cold reached 55 degrees below zero in upstate New York Tuesday as polar air gripped most of the eastern half of the nation.

The minus 55 mark at Boonville set an all-time record for New York State, shattering a 23-year-old record set when the mercury sank to 52 below at Stillwater reservoir Feb. 9, 1934.

No Relief In Sight Local records fell by the hundreds as the arctic siege went into its second day with no immediate relief sighted.

At Owl's Head in New York's Adirondacks, an unofficial 57 was reported.

New York City, favored by its coastal location, recorded 3 above zero in the early morning.

Subzero Marks General Subzero marks were general throughout the Northeast and southward into the Pennsylvania and Maryland mountains.

The minimum in Maryland was 10 below at New Germany State Park where snow measured 5 to 6 inches.

New England extremes included 28 below zero at Burlington, Vt., and 12 below at Boston.

Many rural schools closed. All those in Plattsburgh and Syracuse canceled classes for the day.

Where home heating plants failed there was trouble.

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2. He "attempted to purchase classified military information." The State Department also refused to answer questions on this point.

Press Officer Lincoln White said that the electronics equipment which the Russian officer obtained "is not licensed for export."

CLARE LUCE at Salon for Rest

PHOENIX (UP)—Clare Booth Luce, former ambassador to Italy, was resting at a resort here today, but staff members denied she is "very ill."

Ore. Senate Stays Stalled In Row Over Committees

New Governor, Staff Spend First Day in Office



The Oregon governor's office had a brand new set of occupants Tuesday, headed by Governor Robert Holmes (right), who was inaugurated Monday as the first Democratic head of state in 22 years.

Holmes is shown with his newly-appointed office staff in his main office where he will be Oregon's first citizen at least until Jan. 1959. The staff includes (left to right) Tom Wright, press assistant; Miss Peg Clarke, research assistant; Orval Thompson, legal assistant; Miss Echo Yeater, chief secretary; Harry Swanson, executive assistant.

Recess Taken For Further Caucuses

By JAMES D. OLSON Capital Journal Writer

Dissatisfaction by Republican senators over distribution of 20 senate committee posts, proposed by the Democrats, Tuesday continued to be the main bone of contention heading up the election of a president of the senate.

And so early Tuesday afternoon there was still no formal organization of the senate state. Without it no bills can be passed.

The Republican senators went into caucus Tuesday immediately after the invocation had been delivered by Dr. Paul N. Poling, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at the morning session.

Senate Democratic and Republican leaders appointed a special joint committee Monday afternoon to hash out controversial committee assignments that have reportedly been hiding up Senate organization. Republican senators are reportedly ready to let the Democrats organize the senate if certain committee chairmanships are given them.

Meantime the house was operating on a "slow bell" with only an eight-minute session Tuesday morning when one bill—repealing the 45 per cent surtax on income tax rates and a resolution authorizing furnishing of legislative supplies were introduced.

Took Cream, Left Trash Senator Sidney Schlesinger of Marion county, one of the freshmen senators, said that the Republicans had been led to believe the Democrats would take three important committees—ways and means, taxation and education—and then allow the Republicans to choose three, thereafter each side to take one for one until the 20 committees had been distributed.

But instead, Schlesinger said, the Democrats dropped the ways and means and taxation committees from their list and added labor and industries and natural resources.

"The Democrats took the cream and left us the trash" one prominent Republican senator said. He added that the Democrats are well aware that the Republicans want them to take taxation and ways and means committees.

The attitude of the Republicans, as expressed by several who asked not to be named, was that inasmuch as there are 15 Republicans composing half of the membership of the senate they do not desire to be completely "captivated" in regard to important committees.

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Brenner Gets Offer to Boss Senator Club

Bill Brenner, former manager of the Lewiston Braves and Vancouver in the Western International baseball league, Tuesday was offered the job of Salem Senators manager.

He said he would let the Salem officers know Wednesday noon by telephone.

Brenner, for three consecutive seasons a 20-game winner as pitcher and manager in the circuit, met with the Senator operating committee this afternoon. He was to have been offered the field manager job, plus part time business manager, with assistance during the playing season.

Earlier he had been mentioned for the same position with Wenatchee. He was with the Seattle Rainiers last season as pitching coach. In 1952 he had a 21-11 record with Lewiston, 22-12 in 1953 and 21-9 in 1954 with Vancouver.

2 YEARS TO GO ON TERM

Hearing Required If Maison Ousted

By DOUGLAS SEYMOUR Capital Journal Writer

Under present Oregon law Gov. Robert D. Holmes cannot remove the state police superintendent unless he brings charges of inefficiency or malfeasance in office and holds a hearing.

A Portland newspaper published a report Monday that the governor would oust H. G. Maison, state police superintendent since 1947.

Term Expires in '59 Under Oregon law the police superintendent is appointed for a four-year term. Maison's term does not expire until Aug. 1, 1959.

If the governor intends to remove Maison before his term of office expires, he must first file charges of inefficiency or malfeasance, hold a hearing and then find that the superintendent's removal would be for "the good of the service."

Maison is the second man to hold the top job in the state police since it was organized in 1931. He took over upon the retirement of Charles P. Pray, the original superintendent.

Gov. Holmes said he will make known his choices for top state jobs Tuesday afternoon.

Announcements Expected He must fill three vacancies caused by resignations and may name other persons to high appointive offices.

PGC Request Delays City Gas Code Action

At the request of the Portland Gas and Coke company, the Salem city council has delayed action on a new gas code.

The proposed new code was prepared following recommendations of a special mayor's committee which investigated the blast which destroyed the Dennis Howarth home at 795 North 20th St. on Nov. 27. Mr. and Mrs. Howarth were released from the Salem General Hospital last Saturday after being treated there since the time of the explosion for injuries received in the blast.

More Fully Defined In a letter to the council the gas company said that some of the provisions of the proposed new code should be more clearly defined.

It cited, as an example, the length of time which should elapse before a service is classified as abandoned. The company also asked that some technical terms in the code should be more fully defined.

The letter declares that the company "desires establishing of safe operations" but asked that the proposed ordinance be held up until the company could prepare suggested revisions for council consideration.

Salem Man Is Knifed After Doing Favor for a Stranger

By VICTOR B. FRYER Capital Journal Writer

A favor for a stranger later turned into a fight in which he was knifed in several places, a Salem man reported to city police Monday night. A warrant charging assault with a dangerous weapon has been issued for the knife wielder, officers said Tuesday.

Dwight Junior Crowder, 1948 North Commercial St., was treated at Salem Memorial hospital for a 12-inch slash across the stomach, a deep wound in his left shoulder and minor cuts across the back after the 7.15 p.m. incident, police said.

Warrant Issued Officers hold a Marion county district court warrant for Fred Albert Henderson, Salem, charging assault with a dangerous weapon. Bail was set at \$500. He is currently in jail on a vagrancy charge and a traffic charge. The warrant was issued probably by the police on Wednesday, police said.

Crowder told officers the affair started when he stopped at a cafe and tavern for a cup of coffee before going to a movie. There he met Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Sr., parents of Fred Henderson. They asked him if he would give them a ride home, he said, and since it was rainy and cold, he agreed to do it.

Cold Front Brings New Oregon Snow

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A mass of cold arctic air moved into northern Oregon Tuesday morning, bringing a fresh snowfall along the Columbia River all the way from Pendleton to west of Portland. Temperatures east of the Cascades dropped.

Aside from the Columbia River area, most of western Oregon had rain showers.

The cold front is expected to push south as far as a line from Baker to Salem Wednesday morning, before being nudged back by southerly winds.

The Weather Bureau said most of Eastern Oregon can expect snow flurries through Wednesday and the temperature is expected to range from 10 to 25 degrees.

Some scattered snow is also due in the western part of the state with rain generally forecast along the coast.

Roads were slick through most of the snow area and in Portland two private schools closed because of it. Public schools, however, opened as usual.

Threatening skies and nipper temperatures marked the weather for Salem and vicinity, Tuesday morning.

Ike-Macmillan Exchange Not About Parley

TUCSON, Ariz. (UP)—President Eisenhower Tuesday made public an exchange of messages with Great Britain's new prime minister—an exchange pledging continued personal friendship and obviously looking to bolster Anglo-American unity.

The exchange with Harold Macmillan, who last week succeeded Anthony Eden as chief of Britain's government, was put out in Tucson shortly before the President left on a further tour of the drought damaged areas of the Southwest.

"I send my warmest congratulations to you on becoming prime minister of the United Kingdom," Eisenhower messaged Macmillan, with whom he became well acquainted during World War II.

"Your distinguished career is well known on this side of the Atlantic and has earned our widespread respect.

"My own warm admiration stems, as you know, from our associations in North Africa and through the succeeding years. For me that association has been as agreeable as it has been productive."

Neither Eisenhower nor Macmillan, in his reply, made any mention of the possibility of a face-to-face meeting.

British Chiefs In First Meet

LONDON (UP)—The new British Cabinet headed by Prime Minister Harold Macmillan met for the first time today.

The meeting was at 10 Downing St., official residence of Britain's Prime Minister. As is customary, no announcement was made on the topics discussed.

The new right wing Conservative cabinet was formally confirmed by Queen Elizabeth at a Privy Council meeting Monday. The Queen then returned to Sandringham House in Norfolk to resume the winter vacation she interrupted twice in the past week because of the government crisis.

DO YOU KNOW— That the FBI once "captured" an army preparing to invade Mexico from the United States? Read The FBI Story Sec. 1—Page 8