

THE WEATHER

FAIR TONIGHT, partly cloudy Wednesday except for some early morning low cloudiness. Slightly cooler Wednesday. Low tonight, 36; high Wednesday, 66.

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PO Chief Trial Aim Of Porter Mishandling Cash Charged Against Summerfield

WASHINGTON (UP)—A demand was made in Congress Tuesday that Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield resign immediately and be prosecuted for allegedly mishandling Post Office Department funds.

The demand was made by Rep. Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.) in a letter to Rep. John A. Blainik (D-Minn.), chairman of the Legal and Monetary Subcommittee of House Government Operations Committee.

Tremendous Boners Porter accused Summerfield of making "tremendous miscalculations" in apportioning his department's operating funds.

Summerfield has asked for an extra 47 million dollars to tide his department over to July 1. He has said that if he is not given the full amount he will stop mail deliveries on Saturdays and make other reductions in postal service, starting this weekend.

A House Appropriations Subcommittee has tentatively voted to give Summerfield only 17 million dollars but will decide Friday whether to change its mind and vote him the additional 30 million dollars.

Other congressional news: Civil rights: Martin and Senate GOP Leader William F. Knowland don't see any "deal" between Republicans and southern Democrats to delay action on the President's civil rights program.

Airways: Knowland told reporters that Eisenhower will send a special message to Congress, probably Thursday, asking for creation of jet-age airways modernization board.

Housing: A congressional drive to spend 1 billion dollars in veterans life insurance funds to promote GI housing loans.

Soviet Orders Scientists to Heed Ideology MOSCOW (U)—The Soviet government Tuesday bluntly instructed physicians and biologists to make Communist theory, rather than Western methods of objective research, the guiding factor in their scientific work.

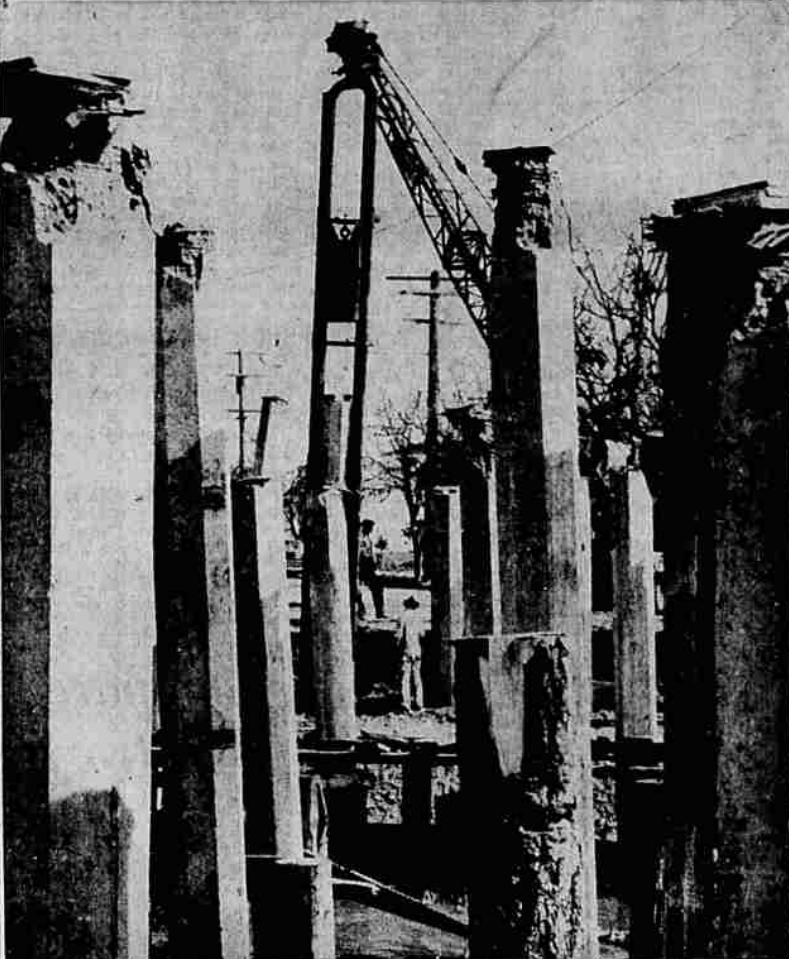
The scientists were told that objectivity in science is approved when it fits with Marxist-Leninist political and economic ideology, but otherwise, objectivity must be stamped out.

ICC Man Rules Truckers Must Haul Hot Stuff WASHINGTON (U)—An examiner recommended Tuesday that the Interstate Commerce Commission move to cancel operating permits of truck lines refusing to handle freight labeled "hot cargo" by the Teamsters' Union.

Vandals Break 13 Windows Vandals broke out 13 windows in a house at 455 Vista Ave., with clubs and BB guns, the Marion County Sheriff's office reported Tuesday.

Weather Details Maximum yesterday, 67; minimum today, 37. Total 24-hour precipitation, 1/4 inch. Normal, 20. Season precipitation, 27.4. Normal, 34.34. River height, 4.6 feet. (Report by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

Concrete Pilings Go Down for Bridge



This maze of huge concrete pilings was the beginning of the finish of a new bridge going in on 25th street near Trade. A pile-driver was banging the poles deep into the Mill Creek bed and its banks Tuesday morning as workmen hurried to finish the bridge by summer. The pilings dwarfed workmen, two of whom stand under the driving rig in the center of the picture. (Capital Journal Photo by Jerry Claussen)

Span Started On Mill Creek At 25th Street

Concrete piling, which will support a new bridge across Mill Creek at South 25th street, are being driven in place today.

The structure is the final of four bridges to be financed by a \$140,000 bond issue voted last spring. Bridges across Shelton Ditch at High and Lee streets and over Mill Creek at N. 14th have already been completed.

The concrete structures replace wooden bridges which previously stood at the sites.

After the piling work is completed, concrete caps will be poured and then the deck will be poured. The bridge will be 69 feet long.

Completion of the job is expected sometime in May. Contractor for the project is O. C. Bernard.

1,200 to Join Cancer Funds Drive Tonight From 6:30 to 8 o'clock this evening, 1,200 crusaders against cancer will make a door-to-door canvass of Salem homes.

During the 1 1/2-hour period, they will distribute literature dealing with the danger signals of cancer and accept contributions with which to finance a campaign against the malignancy.

Mrs. Marvin McClain has been selected to direct the residential solicitations while Oscar Enger will spearhead the drive in the business area beginning Wednesday.

Assisting the general chairman in various parts of the city will be Stanley Schofield, Fred Lund, D. R. McGeorge, Mrs. Martha Hagan, Mrs. Olga Tanning, Chuck Nielson, Mrs. Milton Chadsey, Mrs. George Beane, Dick Kelm, Mrs. Bessie Loomis and W. H. Vellon.

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DA Langley's Trial to Start This Afternoon PORTLAND (U)—Multnomah County Dist. Atty. William M. Langley was scheduled to go on trial here Tuesday, the first major defendant in Portland's lengthy vice investigation.

Langley, 41, is charged with willfully refusing on March 18, 1955, to prosecute a person guilty of violating state gambling laws. It is a misdemeanor. Langley also has been indicted on charges of malfeasance in office, conspiracy to obstruct public justice and conspiracy to commit the felony of receiving a bribe.

'Nuisance' Taxes Cut In Britain

LONDON (U)—Britain's Conservative government Tuesday announced a cut of 100 million pounds in the taxes Britons pay for entertainment, gasoline and some household goods.

The cut, equivalent to 200 million dollars, disclosed in the House of Commons by Peter Thorneycroft's message, was greeted with cheers from Conservative benches.

He declared there were "some grounds for cheerfulness" in the country's economic outlook, but he stressed that emphasis must remain on exports at the expense of belt tightening at home.

Budget Balanced "Against the background of a budget nearly balanced, I can make a reduction in the burden of taxation by around 100 million pounds," Thorneycroft said.

Before getting into the details, he told the Commons the Suez crisis "affected our commercial position less than might have been expected." The Middle East has always been a key to the British economy—with the Suez Canal often described as a lifeline.

First tax relief went to Britain's entertainment industry—especially theaters and movies—which has been affected adversely by television. The entertainment tax has totaled one-third of all receipts.

Theater Tax Ends Thorneycroft abolished the tax on tickets to state theaters, which have been hard hit, and slashed the taxes on movie tickets by an estimated 6 1/2 million pounds a year.

Hungary Kicks Out Yank Aide For Espionage BUDAPEST (U)—Communist Hungary Tuesday accused Capt. Thomas R. Gleason, assistant U.S. military attache, of "open espionage" and gave him 48 hours to leave the country.

A spokesman for the U.S. legation said the charges against Gleason do not constitute espionage under international custom and usage, and were "largely inaccurate."

Gleason, of 11 Urbana, Ill., and Col. James C. Todd, U.S. military attache from Tulsa, Okla., were stopped on a Hungarian country road last Wednesday and questioned for more than five hours. They were accused of photographing a Russian-occupied barracks.

Queen Elizabeth Takes Auto Tour Through Paris Streets PARIS (U)—Looking a bit tired from her strenuous arrival day, Queen Elizabeth II was driven through crowded streets Tuesday to pay her respects to the 2,000-year-old city of Paris.

In fluent French broadcast throughout the nation, the 20-year-old British monarch told an applauding audience at the Hotel de Ville (the city hall), "Your capital is a home away from home toward which, at each new generation, the United Kingdom has sent its elite, attracted by the radiance of your science, spirit, art and good taste."

Elizabeth was visibly moved when she was presented flowers by a small French boy and girl, chosen because they were born on the same days as her two children, Prince Charles and Princess Anne.

The National Assembly recessed for its members to watch the Queen's 25-car procession pass its home, the Palais Bourbon.

An excited cheering throng had jammed the vast Place de l'Opera until the early hours Tuesday to see the Queen.

Thousands shoved and tussled for vantage points. Many scrambled on top of chairs and tables in nearby sidewalk cafes. Scores were nearly trampled.

A mighty cheer went up when Elizabeth and her husband Prince Philip appeared briefly on the balcony of the opera house after a gala performance in the British monarch's honor.

LATE FLASHES

ASTORIA (UP)—Two longshoremen were killed Tuesday when a cargo-loading crane toppled off a tower on the new 272-foot ocean-going barge, Pacific No. 2, at the Shepard-Morse mill dock at Westport. Authorities identified the victims as Ralph Knutinen of Astoria and Rusty Sumner of Portland. Bodies of the two men, who were crushed inside the crane, still hadn't been removed at noon.

The Oregon Senate Tuesday passed Senate joint resolution 35 to authorize the State Department of Veterans Affairs to borrow up to 122 million dollars for its home and farm loan program for veterans. The present limit is 81 million dollars.

Wreck Kills 2 In Stolen Car At Vancouver VANCOUVER, Wash. (U)—The crash of a speeding stolen automobile against a bridge abutment killed two 14-year-old Seattle boys Tuesday under circumstances almost duplicating the fatal ride of two other Seattle youths less than two months ago.

Killed outright in Tuesday's pre-dawn crash were Dennis Woody, the driver, and Ronald P. Pullis. The car smashed into a concrete abutment at the west end of the Interstate Bridge, at the same spot and almost the same hour where Timothy W. Fisk and Dean Watson, both 16, died Feb. 17.

Both accidents occurred as drivers of stolen cars drove at break-neck speeds in an attempt to shake off chasing patrol cars.

The pursuer in Tuesday's chase was Sheriff's Deputy Lynn King. King spotted the pair putting air in a tire at a north Vancouver service station. As they drove off, the officer decided to stop them for questioning, though he was unaware at the time the car was stolen.

When he sounded his siren, the car took off at high speed. Traveling an estimated 80 to 90 miles an hour, it failed to make a slight turn in the Vancouver Freeway and slammed into the bridge abutment. Pullis was thrown from the car to a bank below the bridge. The car was demolished.

City Planners Meet Tonight On Re-zoning The City Planning Commission, meeting Tuesday night, will hear a report on an application for change of zone from R-4 residential to M-1 light industrial involving property immediately south of Bellevue street and extending almost a block east of S. 21st street.

The property adjoins the location of the former Reinhold & Lewis plant, now Westwood Products. The firm wants to have the property rezoned so it can make further industrial expansion. The proposed change was initiated by the Planning Commission.

A letter will be ready from the YWCA requesting a hearing relative to off-street parking for the swimming pool that the organization expects to build next fall.

Probably will be referred to a committee. The pool, for which a fund drive is planned, will be on South Winter street east of the association building and south of Salem Public Library.

At the Tuesday night meeting, a public hearing is scheduled on the application of Dr. and Mrs. Gordon H. Cooley for permission to build a dwelling at 565 Ben Leonard Dr., with a modified front yard setback.

No plans are on the agenda for examination or action at the Tuesday night meeting.

2 Big Tankers Sail Into Suez

CAIRO (U)—The two biggest tankers to use the Suez Canal since it was blocked last November entered the waterway at Port Said today—the first day the cleared channel was opened to ships of up to 20,000 tons.

One was the 19,415-ton Belgian tanker Elizabeth, the other the 20,776-ton Italian Etna Canada. They were bound for Middle East ports to pick up oil. Four other smaller ships were in the south-bound convoy.

The first passenger vessel to use the canal since the British-French-Israeli invasion was due at Port Said later today to begin the 103-mile trip south to Suez. The ship is the 12,839-ton Italian liner Oceania, headed for Australia with 809 passengers.

Refinery Blows Up; 500 Safe

EL DORADO, Ark. (U)—An explosion Tuesday touched off a spectacular fire that destroyed the heart of an American Oil Co. refinery just outside the city limits.

The blaze brought all available fire units and ambulances to the scene but apparently none of the 500 refinery employees was hurt. Early estimates of damage by company employees ranged from \$250,000 to \$500,000.

Near Louisiana Line El Dorado is a city of about 25,000 just 20 miles from the Louisiana line, 120 miles south of Little Rock.

Employees said the explosion, of undetermined origin, occurred in a 75-foot tower in the thermal cracking unit, the heart of the refinery where crude oil is cracked into gasoline and other petroleum derivatives.

A resident who lives half a mile from the plant said he felt a rumble from the explosion. The smoke from the oil-fed flames was visible for miles.

Flames Contained The fire was reported about 10:20 a.m. and was still burning an hour later, but firemen successfully contained the flames in the cracking unit. For a time the entire refinery was threatened.

Company officials said luckily no employees were in the tower at the time of the explosion and that the 15 employees in the area at the time have "been accounted for."

Marines Oust Officer Guilty Of Misconduct

PARRIS ISLAND, S. C. (U)—First Lt. William D. Conroy Tuesday was sentenced to a dishonorable dismissal from the Marine Corps by a seven-man general court-martial.

Conroy pleaded guilty to charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman. The charge stemmed from an assault March 13 on Pvt. David L. Porter. The court deliberated 50 minutes before passing sentence.

The sentence is subject to review by Brig. Gen. Wallace M. Greene, the court-martial's convening authority. It then is subject to review by the naval judge advocate general.

Both of these reviewing authorities can lessen the sentence. They cannot increase it. Conroy will remain on active duty until the review is completed.

JURY OUT 44 MINUTES Dr. Adams Freed Of Murder Charge

LONDON (U)—Dr. John Bodkin Adams was acquitted today of a charge of murdering an 81-year-old widow to get a chest of antique silver and a Rolls Royce from her estate.

AWY. Gen. Sir Reginald Maningham - Butler immediately quashed a secret indictment accusing Adams of killing a second wealthy patient last summer.

Dr. Adams was allowed to walk out of the courtroom on bail but still has minor charges hanging over him of violating the cremation act.

The jury of 10 men and 2 women deliberated only 44 minutes in acquitting the 58-year-old bachelor or society doctor. The verdict ended a 17-day hearing in London's famed Old Bailey, the longest murder trial in British history. Adams had been arrested after a prolonged Scotland Yard investigation into rumors that he had profited from the deaths of an unusual number of his wealthy aged patients in the seaside resort of Eastbourne.

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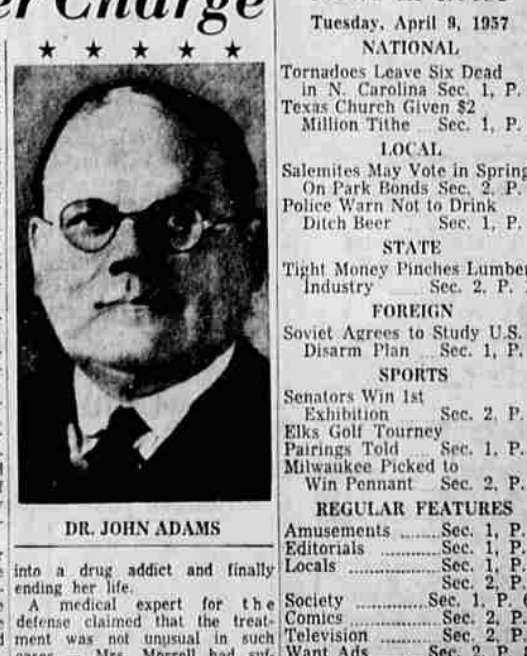
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Queen Elizabeth II of England stands with her husband, Prince Philip, on balcony of Elysee Palace in Paris. (AP Wirephoto)



DR. JOHN ADAMS into a drug addict and finally ending her life. A medical expert for the defense claimed that the treatment was not unusual in such cases — Mrs. Morrell had suffered a stroke two years before her death in 1950 and that Adams' treatment was intended only to ease her pain.