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MOSTLY CLOUDY tonight, Thursday, except partly sunny Thursday afternoon. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 44; high Thursday, 62.

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AG Curb Approved In Senate

Power to Appoint Agency Lawyers Would Cease

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR., Associated Press Writer

The Oregon Senate voted 19-10 Wednesday for a bill to strip Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton of his power to appoint attorneys for eight big state agencies.

The bill, which goes to the House, would let these agencies name their own attorneys: Liquor, Highway, Tax, Unemployment and Industrial Accident commissions; Forestry Board, Department of Agriculture, and public utility commissioner.

Several Earlier Attempts Under the Department of Justice Act passed in 1947, the attorney general was given jurisdiction over all attorneys for state departments. But since Thornton took office four years ago, there have been several legislative attempts to curb his power.

Sen. Walter J. Pearson (D), Portland, sponsor of the bill, argued that the state agencies involved should have the right to pick attorneys "with whom they can get along."

Under the present system, he said, the departmental attorneys are poorly paid and the turnover is heavy.

"The attorney general," Pearson declared, "has found that even the attorneys in his own office are not capable trial lawyers, because he has had to hire outside lawyers to prosecute the Multnomah County vice cases."

Opposed by Dimick

But Sen. Dan Dimick (D), Roseburg, opposed the bill on grounds "the departments could pay high salaries to lawyers and the Legislature could do nothing about it. It is wrong to strip the attorney general of his right to control the bill would relegate the Department of Justice to a minor role. It is a vast step backward. It would bring chaos out of what has worked well."

Another opponent, Sen. Alfred H. Corbett (D), Portland, said the bill was studied by the Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee only briefly. Thornton said he was refused a hearing by the committee.

"This bill," Corbett said, "would make us go back to cronyism, and break down the independence of the attorneys."

A supporter of the bill was Sen. Carl Francis (R), Dayton, who was an unsuccessful candidate against Thornton last November. Francis argued that the "present law works to the advantage of lawyers who control the state, because the state's lawyers lack trial experience. The present law doesn't provide the administrative supervision we think it does."

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Champoeg Memorial Gets Committee OK

By JAMES D. OLSON, Capital Journal Writer

Approval of a bill authorizing construction of the first unit of a memorial building at Champoeg State Park at an estimated cost of \$210,000 was given by the Joint Ways and Means Committee Wednesday.

Under the terms of a bill, reported out "do pass," the money will come from state highway funds. Originally it had been proposed that half of the cost be appropriated from the general fund of the state.

Auditorium Planned

The proposed building would contain an auditorium to be used for public meetings as well as an exhibit room in which relics of historical value will be preserved.

Sen. Jean Lewis, chairman of the sub-committee which reported out the bill said the Champoeg State Park is visited by a tremendous amount of tourists each year as well as many school children from various parts of the state.

She said that the committee felt that the Legislature should pass the bill as a directive to the State Highway Commission to proceed with the construction of the building.

Wilsonville Funds Approved

The joint committee favorably reported out Senate Bill 773 providing for \$170,000 to be used in planning for the second phase of construction of the \$15 million Dammasch Mental Hospital near Wilsonville.

The 1955 legislature provided \$6,335,000 to cover the cost of the first unit of the new hospital. Working plans for this unit are scheduled to be ready shortly after Jan. 1, 1958.

The second phase of the project, provided for a geriatrics wing to cost approximately \$7 million. Two bills providing for appointment of a legislative counsel were tabled by the committee.

On recommendation of Sen.

Playing With Fire Caused This



Salem firemen stand in the debris of a fire that heavily damaged 1955 station wagon and the garage that housed it. A 10-year-old Salem youth admitted tossing a match into an upholstered chair in the garage, starting the Wednesday morning blaze that caused an estimated \$3,000 damage to car and building, police and firemen said. (Capital Journal Photo)

Reuther Wins Unanimously In UAW Vote

By VICTOR B. FRYER, Capital Journal Writer

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — The United Auto Workers Wednesday re-elected by acclamation Walter P. Reuther as president of the 1,500,000-member union.

Carl Stellato, president of the Ford Rouge plant Local 600 in the Detroit area, was the only other candidate nominated. But Stellato declined nomination and Reuther's election was made unanimous.

It was here in Atlantic City 11 years ago that the 49-year-old Reuther first was elected UAW president.

Any possibility of a challenger vanished last night in a smashing victory by Reuther forces over a minority faction that opposed a 50-cent monthly dues increase to \$3 next June.

The opposition faction was led by Carl Stellato, president of the 44,000-member Ford Rouge plant local in the Detroit area. The Stellato faction claimed the union's administration had enough money for operating expenses and salaries and that any increase should be earmarked entirely for the UAW's 23-million-dollar strike fund.

Howard Belton, the committee also tabled a bill creating the office of Director of Parole and Probation and appointment of an advisory committee. Sen. Belton said there was another bill in the legislature providing for a three-man full-time parole board. This bill, he said, was favored by Gov. Robert D. Holmes who advised that the second bill be shelved.

Rehabilitation Study Favored

The committee agreed to the introduction of a bill providing for a study to promote rehabilitation of mental hospital patients.

The object of the study, Sen. Lewis said, would be an effort to cut down the recidivism of patients to the mental hospitals. The study would also include a good look at the type of treatment carried on in the state mental institutions.

McLeod Quiz Due

On Envoy Suicide

WASHINGTON (UP) — Some Democratic senators Wednesday planned intensive questioning of Scott McLeod, President Eisenhower's nominee for ambassador to Ireland, when his nomination is considered by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

They indicated they particularly want to question McLeod, administrator of the State Department Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, on his office's role in events leading up to the murder over Canadian diplomat E. Herbert Norman, who committed suicide in Cairo, Egypt, last week.

Eisenhower sent McLeod's nomination to the Senate Tuesday. Although there was no immediate announced opposition, several senators said they were reserving judgment until after McLeod's appearance before the committee.

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CAR, GARAGE DESTROYED Boy, 10, Accused Of Setting Blaze

By VICTOR B. FRYER, Capital Journal Writer

A 10-year-old Salem boy was taken into custody Wednesday morning for starting a fire that destroyed a late model car and the garage in which it was housed.

Salem police said the boy admitted tossing a match through an open door to the garage at the Walter Hewitt residence, 1920 Bellevue St., about 6:30 a.m. on his way to school. The match landed in an upholstered chair in the corner of the garage and it caught fire, firemen said.

Fire Spreads

The fire spread to the frame building and badly burned the upper half of the structure, completely burning off the shingles and burning the car beyond apparent salvage, firemen said. Only the engine of the 1955 station wagon appeared to suffer no serious damage, firemen said. The insulation under the hood of the car fell down on the motor protecting it from the intense heat.

Fireman Robert Putnam suffered minor burns of the face and scorched eyebrows and hair when he broke out the rear window of the locked car to get a hose into the interior. Breaking the glass let oxygen into the interior and flame flashed back through the opening, firemen said. First aid men treated Putnam for the burns.

\$3,000 Damage

Damage was estimated at \$3,000 to the car and \$1,000 to the garage and other contents, firemen said.

The youth who set the fire posed a problem for police and juvenile authorities. He is a welfare case, placed in a foster home by authorities but has quite a record of petty offenses, mostly playing with matches and starting fires and stealing bicycles.

He started another fire in the same garage a few days ago when he tossed a match through the door and it landed on a canvas covering of equipment on a tool bench, officers said.

Hewitt discovered the burning canvas and extinguished it without calling the fire department, he said. The boy has also admitted starting fires in grass and brush, police said. The bicycles he steals are usually abandoned after he has hidden them for awhile.

Albany Youth Dies in Wreck

ALBANY, Ore. (AP) — Jack McLeod, 17, Albany, was killed outright early Wednesday when he was thrown from his car after the vehicle skidded and rolled 250 feet.

State Police said the Albany High School senior was alone in the car when it veered off the Springfield Road into a farmer's field three miles northwest of here in Benton County.

Ex-Con Dyson Shot to Death In Holdup Try

PUYALLUP, Wash. (AP) — An ex-convict from Tacoma was killed in a supermarket gun battle with a policeman during an attempted holdup Tuesday night.

A neighbor of the slain man was captured a few blocks away after drawing a gun on three other officers.

Patrolman Beryl Northrop was sent to the downtown Safeway store when someone notified the Police Department the store was being robbed.

Northrop walked in on two men holding up a cashier. Instead of dropping their weapons, they turned on Northrop. He opened fire, killing Byron Neal Dyson, 31, former inmate at the Oregon State Penitentiary where he figured in disturbances and an escape. The other bandit, firing as he ran, escaped through the front door.

Three blocks away, three other officers brought Melvin Shuffert, 50, to bay and he drew a revolver.

Spies Say Guilty in N.Y. Plea

Sobles to Take 10 Years, Dodging Death Risk

NEW YORK (AP) — A New York couple arrested on spy charges Wednesday pleaded guilty to a count carrying a maximum prison term of 10 years. They thus apparently sought to escape prosecution on a greater charge carrying a possible death penalty.

The couple, Jack Sobles and his wife Myra, pleaded guilty to a charge of conspiring with Russian nationals to obtain documents and other material relating to U. S. defense.

Under the law, conviction could bring a term of 10 years in prison. Face More Serious Charge They also had been indicted on a charge of conspiring to transmit to the Soviet Union secret information vital to U. S. defense. Conviction on this charge could bring a death sentence.

Sobles, 53, and his wife, 52, stood pale and motionless before Federal Judge Richard H. Levett as their plea was entered.

An indictment returned against them by a federal grand jury also contained four other counts. The government did not say immediately whether it planned to prosecute them on any of the other charges.

The Sobles were arrested in their New York apartment by the FBI on Jan. 25. Seized at the same time also was Jacob Albam, 64.

Sentencing May 3 Judge Levett scheduled the Sobles' sentencing for May 3 on the charge to which they pleaded guilty.

The Sobles' attorney informed the judge that they wished to make the plea. Sobles reached out one hand toward his wife. The judge asked them:

"Do you understand the significance of such a plea and the possible sentence which may accrue?"

"Yes, we do," the Sobles answered in unison.

"Have you been promised by the U. S. attorney's office or anyone else anything in return for the giving of that plea?"

"No," the couple answered together in a loud voice.

Canoe Flips In McKenzie; 2 Boys Safe

EUGENE (AP) — Two Corvallis youths were dunked in the icy McKenzie River Tuesday and lost a 17-foot aluminum canoe when it overturned in the vicinity of Rennie Bridge, about 40 miles east of Eugene.

Prince Helfrich, veteran McKenzie River guide, said the youths made their way to safety on the shore but were unable to locate the canoe after it was swept downstream.

David C. Calder was the owner of the canoe. His companion was not identified.

Rain Forecast After 73 High

The wonderful sunshine of Monday and Tuesday was followed by cloudy skies Wednesday, and it appears there may likely be some showers late Thursday or Friday.

Meanwhile, Salem thoroughly enjoyed its highest temperature of the season, Tuesday, a maximum of 73, the mark also being the highest registered in the state.

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Ike Goes to Bat for His Congressional Program, Raps 1890-Vintage Foes

Langley Jury Hears Elkins, Charity Link

Prosecutor Claims DA Knew of, Condoned Gambling Party

PORTLAND (UP) — A state attorney said Wednesday that racketeer James B. Elkins bankrolled gambling in a charity jam-boree as the trial of District Attorney William Langley on a misdemeanor charge of failing to prosecute gambling entered its second day.

Elliott Cummings, a special assistant to Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton, told the jury that Elkins was a partner with William B. Nettleton who was named in the indictment against Langley as having conducted the gambling.

Cummings told the jury the incident was "part of a conspiracy to open up gambling" in Multnomah county.

Defense Speaks Out K. C. Tanner, Langley's attorney, told the jury there was no legal way Langley could have prosecuted Nettleton. He said the statute applies only to professional gambling, not to charity fund raising.

Tanner noted that proceeds of the annual party went in 1955 to the Junior Chamber of Commerce, to the Toy and Joy-makers activities of the Portland fire department and to the PAL clubs.

Langley was named Tuesday in two more indictments by the county grand jury.

Army Supports King

Nabulsi's resignation climaxed a long period of strain between the young monarch and the Prime Minister. It reached a head last week when Hussein dispatched a messenger to Cairo without consulting Nabulsi.

Senior army officers were reported to have warned Nabulsi that in any break between the two, the majority of the army would support Hussein.

But in Wednesday's dispatches from the Jordanian capital of Amman there was no guaranty that Hussein had won the final battle. Nabulsi, the man who engineered Jordan's rejection of its treaty with Britain, has strong support from the leftist government of Syria and he long has been reported to control the street mobs that make or break Arab governments.

Nabulsi is a Palestinian who favors federation with Syria, a move which would mean the disappearance of Jordan as a separate state.

All indications were the Suez dispute which touched off last fall's shooting war in the Middle East would bounce back to the U.N. Security Council.

France Seeks Session

Reports at U.N. headquarters in New York said France was bringing pressure on the United States and its other western allies to call a Security Council meeting, perhaps Friday.

A dispatch from Jerusalem said Israel would ask France to intervene in the Security Council against Egyptian threats to sink any Israeli ship trying to use the Suez Canal.

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City Planners Study Subdivisions Control

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Several major changes from present regulations and policies concerning approval of subdivisions are included in the proposed regulations, which represent three years of work by a committee especially created to study the problem.

Before the proposed regulations could be put into force they would have to get the approval of both the Planning Commission and City Council. Public hearings would have to be held before either group takes action.

Among the requirements proposed is one to require completion of approved curbs, gutters, five-foot sidewalks, storm drainage and base rock on streets before final approval can be given to a subdivision plan. Improvements would be required to conform with city specifications.

Minimum lot sizes would be set at 7,000 square feet with a 70-foot frontage. Inside the city minimum lot size would be 6,000 square feet with a frontage of 60 feet.

Another requirement would be to set aside 6.25 per cent of the area in a subdivision for park and recreation purposes. If a suitable area were not available in the plan the subdivision would be required to pay \$32 an acre for a park acquisition fund.

Should the proposed regulations be approved they would apply to the area within six miles of the Salem city limits, which is under jurisdiction of the city planners.

At the Planning Commission meeting Tuesday Robert Powell, president of the commission, set up legal, plat and cost committees to study those phases of the proposed regulations. They are to report their findings to the commission on May 14.

Heading the committee which prepared the proposed regulations was Vern McMullin.

ARABS READY U.S. PROTEST

Jordan's Leftist Cabinet Quits as Tensions Mount

BY UNITED PRESS

Jordan's left wing government quit Wednesday. King Hussein, Jordan's 22-year-old western-minded monarch, demanded and received the resignation of Premier Suleiman El Nabulsi, apparently as direct result of their differences over the Eisenhower doctrine for the Middle East and Nabulsi's leanings toward Russia.

The shakeup of the Jordanian government came at a time of mounting new tensions in the Middle East and the reported failure of the United States to reach agreement with Egypt on the future of the Suez Canal.

The Arab states were reported reading a protest to the United States against its "violation" of Arab territorial waters by sending an American tanker up the Gulf of Aden to the Israeli port of Eilat.

Contributing also to the atmosphere of tension and deadlock were renewed charges and counter-charges between Israel and Egypt of aggression or aggressive intent.

Eisenhower told his news conference he is not yet ready to move beyond the stage of negotiations with Egypt.

This amounted, in effect, to a rejection for the moment of recommendations by the British and French that the Suez issue be tossed back into the United Nations Security Council.

Both the British and French governments are reported to have advised the United States strongly that no progress is being made in negotiations which U.S. Ambassador Raymond A. Harbo has been conducting in Cairo with Egyptian President Nasser and Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi.

The United States has been seeking to win concessions from Egypt in a canal operations plan, its purpose being to assure greater protection for nations and shipping companies using the waterway.

Harbo met with Fawzi for an hour Tuesday in a resumption of talks reportedly deadlocked after four sessions last week.

Wife Shot by Rancher; May Resist Arrest

KLAMATH FALLS (AP) — A 60-year-old ranch woman was in serious condition in a hospital here Wednesday with a bullet wound in the chest.

Sheriff Murray Britton and three deputies headed for the ranch, 50 miles north of here at Klamath Marsh, to talk to her husband, Ad Johnson, 70.

Mrs. Johnson was brought here by Eugene Beirle, 40, who said she was shot about 6:30 a. m. Beirle, who told the sheriff he had been boarding at the Johnson ranch while cutting timber, said when he left, the husband was barricaded in the house.

The Johnson ranch is seven miles off Highway 97.

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Liberal Views Re-stressed To Press

By MERRIMAN SMITH, United Press White House Writer

WASHINGTON (UP) — President Eisenhower Wednesday strongly defended the programs of his administration against criticism by conservatives in Congress, Republicans and Democrats alike.

Eisenhower told his news conference that this government cannot revert to the theories and practices of 1890. A Republican, Benjamin Harrison, was president in 1890.

The President said he did not believe that the difficulties encountered by some basic administration recommendations in Congress reflected a diminution in his own political power due to the automatic prohibition against his seeking another term.

He stated his beliefs at some length after a reporter told him his recommendations were running into stormy congressional weather among Republicans as well as Democrats.

Must Live In Present A reporter specifically mentioned the statement by Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.) that the administration's big budget for fiscal 1958 represented a betrayal of the people's trust.

Eisenhower mentioned no one by name. But he said it was plainly evident that the United States no longer could limit itself to the political and governmental practices of 1890. He said the government must be conducted in the light of national economic and world conditions of the present.

He said there is bound to be a clash of ideas and opinions in a society such as ours and that some people obviously become more heated than they should. But he said he believes profoundly in the things his administration has proposed; that he thinks other basic government programs of many years' standing will not be turned back.

Other news conference highlights: —He called for understanding of recent British defense reductions. He said the United Kingdom since World War II had encountered difficulty keeping her economic nose above water and that the world should understand that the security position of a nation is not always determined wholly by the number of her troops but equally by the state of her economy.

Optimistic About Canal —He said U.S.-Egyptian negotiations on the Suez Canal are continuing and that he hopes for a satisfactory conclusion. Because of this hope, he said the United States is not prepared at this time to recommend referral of the Suez to the Security Council.

—He continued his week to week defense of his big 1958 budget. He said it is a terrific effort to extract from the economy and, while some savings might be possible, they can be achieved only by re-study and re-evaluation of the major, more costly programs of the government.