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Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday in Central Oregon, with cooler weather. Low tonight, 15 to 20; high Sunday, 32-37.

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Duncan says Dunes differences aren't irreconcilable

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Rep. Robert B. Duncan, D-Ore., said today that differences among members of the state's congressional delegation over the proposed Oregon Dunes National Seashore were not "irreconcilable."

"I don't look for any split in the delegations," he said. "People of good will can disagree over an issue without engaging in personalities."

Duncan, in whose district the proposed national seashore would be established, told United Press International he was "encouraged" by the progress on the park.

The Oregon Democrat's comments contrasted sharply with comments made earlier by Sen. Wayne Morse, D-Ore., in a biting attack on the Senate Interior Committee.

Blames Committee

Morse accused the committee of having "split the Oregon delegation" by reporting out a bill which would provide for the condemnation of private property for the proposed seashore.

"The committee will have to assume the responsibility for a bitter political controversy that will rage for some time in Oregon," Morse told the Senate Thursday night.

"I do not like to see our delegation involve itself in a Democratic civil war in my state," Morse said. "But that is what we are headed for. It ought to be avoided."

Duncan said he had not had a chance to read Morse's speech and so could not comment on it.

But in reply to questions, he said he did not foresee any problems for which a compromise solution could not be found.

In his Senate attack on the Oregon Dunes bill, Morse repeated his earlier contention that it was "not necessary to condemn one square foot" of private property for the park.

The national seashore, Morse said, could be created entirely from state and federal lands.

Bible Seeks Agreement

Sen. Alan Bible, D-Nev., chairman of the subcommittee which hammered out the bill, expressed the hope that something satisfactory to Morse could be worked out.

"I understand there might be some discussion on the project at a later date—in January or February," Bible said.

Legislation to create the park was introduced in the House by Duncan and in the Senate by Sen. Maurice B. Neuberger, D-Ore. As approved by the Senate Interior Committee, it would provide for a 30,000-acre park.

The provision for condemnation of private property was immediately attacked by Morse and by four Republican members of the committee.

On the condemnation issue, Duncan said it necessarily followed once a decision was made to have recreational development for public use.

"I don't see how you can avoid having the ultimate power of condemnation," he said.

They're not so sure that rush is over

Members of the small crew handling mail at the Bend Post Office annex at the Oregon National Guard Armory do not join in the opinion that the Christmas mail rush is over.

They were called on this morning to handle mail from more than 240 bags that reached here by van last night and early today. Another heavy delivery of incoming mail is expected over the weekend, Tom Larson, superintendent of the auxiliary station, said.

Despite the heavy incoming mail this morning, it was quickly sorted for rural and local delivery.

At the main Post Office, however, the mail situation this morning was back near normal, with very few packages being submitted for mailing. There was a fairly heavy volume of letters and cards, however, to process in the stamp cancellation machine and make ready for outgoing mail.

Postmaster Farley J. Elliott said there will be a delivery of Christmas packages; a round town Sunday. There will be no delivery Sunday of letter mail.

More records tumble over frozen North

Bitter cold broke more records across the North today and sleet sprayed highways with ice throughout the Southern Plains. Temperatures dipped to freezing along the Gulf Coast.

The mercury dipped below zero at Chicago for the ninth consecutive day—a record for December—and plunged to 20 below at Watertown, N.Y.

At midnight, Minneapolis, Minn., registered 13 below, St. Louis, Mo., zero and Louisville, Ky., 7 above.

A mixture of freezing rain, light snow and sleet brewed travel danger across parts of Arkansas, Northern Louisiana and Mississippi. The Texas Panhandle and Oklahoma also reported slippery highways.

Hazardous driving warnings were posted for most of Mississippi, bridges were closed in many areas of the state and police urged motorists to stay home unless travel was necessary.

The Illinois and Mississippi rivers were ice-covered above the Alton, Ill., Dam and the Missouri River was blocked by ice at several points. Floating ice filled the Mississippi from Alton to Columbus, Ky., and the weather bureau said an ice gorge may develop today or Sunday at Greenfield Bend, near Cairo, Ill.

All Mississippi River barge traffic between St. Louis and Cairo was halted Friday because of extremely low water and the ice conditions.

In other weather news:—An ice truck at Minneapolis, Minn., froze up Friday in 18-below weather and deliveries were delayed.

—At Bemidji, Minn., where the mercury fell to 35 below, a garden hose shattered into a dozen pieces when a motorist backed over it.

—A 5-year-old boy who wandered away from home and was missing for more than nine hours in freezing weather at Moulton, Ala., was found safe Friday, sleeping between two beagle hounds.

—The Ohio Fuel Gas Co. at Columbus said it delivered more gas to its customers Friday than ever before in its history.

—Low-temperature records set Friday included Columbus, Ohio 10 below; Waterloo, Iowa, 19 below; Dubuque, Iowa, 14 below; Chicago, 9 below; Beloit, Wis., 18 below; Madison, Wis., 17 below; Pittsburgh, Pa., 4 below; Indianapolis, Ind., 11 below.

Youth dies as car hits black ice, strikes tree



FATAL ACCIDENT SCENE—A Bend youth, George Helm, 22, was fatally injured about 9 o'clock this morning when this car skidded on black ice about five miles south of the south city limits, on U.S. Highway 97, and crashed into a tree. Another youth, John Sigfrid, Bend, was slightly injured. The car virtually "wrapped around" the tree, State Officer Lee Moeller said.

George Helm killed, young driver hurt

A Bend youth was killed and a Central Oregon College student injured in a one-car accident five miles south of Bend this morning about 9 o'clock.

Dead in the accident was George Helm, Jr., 22, Bureau of Land Management employee who made his home with his mother, Mrs. Ada Dameron, nurse's aid at the Sunset Home. Injured, not seriously, was John C. Sigfrid, 19, who came here from southern Oregon to attend Central Oregon College.

The two youths had left this morning for a drive a short distance south. With Sigfrid as operator of the car, the young man drove as far south as the Camp Abbot turnoff on U.S. Highway 97, then started their return to Bend.

South of City

Just south of the Bend city limits, the car skidded on black ice, traveled a distance of 165 feet sideways and crashed into a roadside pine tree. The car virtually "wrapped around" the tree.

Reaching the scene of the accident minutes after it happened was State Officer Lee Moeller, who had been south to investigate a minor traffic accident.

Helm was still alive in the wreckage when Officer Moeller arrived, and was able to discuss his condition, noting he had no feeling below his hips. Internal injuries were apparently a factor in the fatality. The youth died en route to the hospital.

Occupants of the car were brought to Bend in the city ambulance.

The car left the highway on the east side, not far from the state weighing station, and crashed into the pine, about 14 inches in diameter. The impact was well above the base. From the point of impact, and after partly wrapping around the tree, the demolished car fell to the ground.

From California

Helm's mother and her four children moved to Bend two months ago from Fresno, Calif. The other children, in addition to George, are John, employed in the area, and Mary and Georgia, who are attending Junior High School.

George is also survived by a sister, in Jackson Villa, N.Y., and a brother, in Ontario, Calif. They are on their way to Bend. George was a faller for the Bureau of Land Management.

Sigfrid, whose injuries were reported as light, came here from Roseburg, where his parents live.

About 25 hurt as streamliner jumps tracks

COON RAPIDS, Iowa (UPI)—The streamliner "City of Los Angeles" jumped the tracks while speeding at 79 miles an hour across snow-covered western Iowa today, injuring about 25 persons.

Six of the injured were hospitalized but none was listed in serious condition.

The Union Pacific-Milwaukee Road train, carrying 160 passengers, many on Christmas holiday trips, and about 40 crewmen and employes, apparently struck a broken rail at the west edge of this small western Iowa community, railroad officials said.

Sixteen of the 19 cars jumped the tracks and three cars—two sleeping cars and a diner—toppled onto their sides.

Most of the passengers were asleep when the derailment occurred about 2:15 a.m. Several said they were hurled from their beds. One crewman said "I was thrown from one end of the car to the other."

A doctor at the scene said he gave first aid treatment to about 25 persons. Six persons were admitted to St. Anthony's Hospital in nearby Carroll but none was seriously hurt.

They included two passengers and four crewmen.

They were identified as Mrs. Dorothy Pickering, 74, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Mae Rhoda, 82, Milwaukee, Wis.; Henry Thomas, 60, Chicago; Edward Jones, Chicago; LeRoy Price, Los Angeles, Calif.; and Charles Duke, Chicago.

Other injured passengers were treated by Dr. C.A. Johnson, the only doctor in this community of 1,560.

Wait till they try to tune that package

Bend postal workers are wondering if some forgetful person mailed the wrong package Friday.

They found a radio transistor, in a neat leather case, in the mailbox at the Bend Post Office corner.

Possibly, it was noted, some hurried person dropped the transistor in the box, then tried to "turn on a package."

The transistor will be returned to the owner, if properly identified, Postmaster Farley J. Elliott said.

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ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo. (UPI)—The Union Pacific "City of Portland" streamliner derailed about 53 miles east of here today.

The 7-car train originated at Portland, Ore., and was en route to Denver. There was no immediate report of injuries or fatalities.

2 Turks killed as violence erupts in Cyprus

NICOSIA, Cyprus (UPI)—Long-rankling enmity between Greeks and Turks erupted into violence here today for the first time since Cyprus became independent in 1960.

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A huge crowd gathered at a protest meeting in the Turkish quarter, creating a threat of possible new disorders. There were reports the Turks might attempt a march through the city.

Greek shops and offices in the Turkish quarter closed their doors as a precautionary measure.

A police spokesman said the trouble started when a group of Turks refused to submit to a police search at dawn in a street between the Greek and Turkish Cypriot quarters.

The Turks began shouting and then the crowd charged the police. Someone in the crowd opened fire with an automatic weapon and the police returned his fire.

One Greek policeman was seriously wounded, and police later found a Turk who had been shot to death in the exchange. A Turkish woman who was seriously wounded during the gun battle died in a hospital.

In the other incident, Greek and Turkish civilians clashed. One Greek and one Turk were wounded and taken to a hospital.

Police said the situation was quickly brought under control, but armed police are patrolling areas where the Greek and Turkish quarters adjoin to prevent a new flareup.

Crashes take lives of 3

By United Press International

Traffic accidents took three lives in Oregon Friday, two of them in a two-car collision near Scappoose.

The victims were two-year-old Byron Hanson of Fortuna, Calif., Laverne Earl Lovell, 41, St. Helens, and Carl Jane Brissett, 3, of Scappoose.

The Hanson boy died in a Medford hospital late Friday of head injuries suffered when in an accident on U.S. Highway 199 about 24 miles southwest of Grants Pass.

State Police said a car driven by his father, Ronald D. Hanson, slid on a curve and hit an embankment. Hanson and the boy were both thrown out and the boy struck the wheel of another vehicle which had stopped to avoid a collision.

Neither Hanson nor his wife, Gloria, was injured.

Lovell and the Brissett girl were involved in a collision on U.S. Highway 30 and were pronounced dead on arrival at a St. Helens hospital.

Santiam crash puts Sisters girl in hospital

Special to The Bulletin

REDMOND — Joanne Leithauser, 20, Sisters, is in "good condition" here today at the Central Oregon District Hospital following a car-truck accident last night on the Santiam Pass, just east of the summit.

Miss Leithauser was a passenger in an auto driven by John Thompson, also of Sisters. According to report from Sisters, Thompson and Miss Leithauser were driving east to Sisters when a west bound truck and trailer "jack-knifed" in front of them. It was snowing.

Both Thompson and Miss Leithauser were taken to the Redmond hospital. Thompson was released soon after arrival with bruises.

Oregon State Police had no report of the accident. The truck was owned by an undisclosed couple from Lowell. It was hauling hay to the Willamette Valley.

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Trains slowed by cold wave

PORTLAND (UPI)—Trains were arriving as much as 11 hours late here because of the cold wave in the East and Midwest, railroad officials reported today.

Temperatures as low as 20 degrees below zero in the northern plains states have frozen brake steam lines.

Dispatchers said Northern Pacific's North Coast Limited, jammed with holiday passengers was expected to arrive in Portland about 6 p.m. today. Its scheduled arrival time was 7 p.m. Friday.

Great Northern's Empire Builder was running three hours late, as was Union Pacific's City of Portland. All run between Portland and Chicago.

Union Pacific's Portland Rose from Kansas City was about an hour late.

Ski people happy

Autumn was fading into winter today with a show of force in the high country.

Twelve inches of snow fell last night on the Santiam divide, six inches added to the Warm Springs Junction pack, and four inches fell on the Willamette divide.

Even the Ochoco, well east of the stormy Cascade summit, received snow, with three inches reported on the highway pass between Prineville and Mitchell.

More snow fell in the Oregon ski areas, much to the delight of tow operators. From Bachelor Butte this morning came information that nine inches fell there during the night, to cover the ski hill with a total of 48 inches. This was the deepest pack reported from any Oregon ski course.

Total depth of snow at Timberline this morning was 42 inches, following a fall of 2 inches last night.

The Hoodoo bowl received a fine fall of snow last night, and there will be considerable ski activity on the Hoodoo hills over the weekend.

Bend received only a trace of snow and a trace of moisture from the welcome mountain storm.

Motorists crossing Cascades passes this morning were advised to carry chains. Packed snow covered all passes. Icy spots were reported from most highways, with a number of accidents reported.

Partly cloudy weather

W. Berliners swarm through yule crack

BERLIN (UPI)—West Berliners by the thousands swarmed through the "Christmas crack" in the Communist wall today to hold brief reunions with relatives they have not seen for more than two years.

Lugging pillow cases and laundry bags full of food and cigarettes, they began streaming past machine-gun-armed Communist guards as soon as the barriers were lowered at 7 a.m. (1 a.m., EST). They must be back by midnight.

West Berlin police predicted 20,000 persons would visit the Eastern zone today under the agreement by which West Berliners are making their first trip across the anti-refugee wall since it went up 28 months ago.

Many Carry Food

Many emptied their cupboards to take fruit, meat and even potatoes to their brothers and sisters on the wrong side of the barbed wire-and-concrete divider.

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Visit relatives

laughed and cried at the same time while she kissed her Western son goodbye. She also was clutching a very practical set of long underwear he had brought her as a gift.

The wall, like all of Berlin, is blanketed with snow.

An estimated 6,000 persons crossed it Friday. Many more were expected on a Saturday when most West Berliners are not working.

Western newspapers reported that 170,000 West Berliners already have received passes from the platoon of deadpan Communist functionaries who dole them out. The city government asked the Communists to speed things up as huge lines formed in the falling snow long before daylight.

West Berlin police reported that 19 persons were hospitalized of a total of 1,161 who collapsed while waiting.

One died. She was Mrs. Franziska Hoernig, 76. Her neighbors said her "last wish" had been to see her 73-year-old sister in East Berlin.

12 hospitalized in bus-car crash

PRAIRIE CITY (UPI)—Twelve persons, most of them Prairie City High School students were hospitalized Friday night when a school bus and two autos were involved in a crash on U.S. Highway 26.

None of the 11 students were injured seriously. Another nine were treated at Blue Mountain Hospital in John Day and released.

State Police said the students all lived in the Bates area, about 18 miles east of Prairie City. They had gone to Prairie City to see the Prairie City-Herford basketball game and were on their way home when the accident occurred.

Police said a westbound car driven by Dennis Barrett, 19, of Prairie City struck the rear of a car containing Mr. and Mrs. Leland McGill, Long Creek. The Barrett car then bounced into the path of the bus, which went over the top of it.

Barrett, who suffered multiple fractures, was transferred to a hospital at Caldwell, Idaho.

Hospitalized at John Day were Robert Frazier, 14; Diane Phillips, 15; Jacqueline McChesney, 13; Patricia McChesney, 17; Michael Phillips, 14; Elizabeth Thompson, 14; Alice Vincent, 16; Harveta King, 12; Linda Henstone, 14; Linda Coalwell, 14; and Susan May 14.

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Foreign aid compromise worked out

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A new compromise on foreign aid was hammered out by haggard Senate and House negotiators today, opening the way for a battle weary Congress to adjourn for the year.

Acceptance of the compromise would remove the last stumbling block to adjournment and salvage a last ditch victory for President Johnson who sustained a major setback on the legislation during an all-night session.

House Speaker John McCormack said House Rules Committee action would be needed to clear the way for a vote on the new proposal. The House convened at noon, and immediately began a roll call to determine whether the necessary quorum of 217 members was on hand to do business.

The Senate also met at noon, with only a handful of senators present. Aides said the Senate could, if the point is forced, muster a quorum—but barely.

After five desultory minutes the Senate recessed subject to the call of the chair.

In a session lasting about eight minutes, the joint conferees made a slight modification in the language which gives President Johnson discretion in underwriting credit for grain sales to Russia and the Communist bloc.

The compromise was sent back to the House for another showdown. Leaders hoped that because of the closeness of the vote early today a few vote switches or return of absentees might reverse the verdict.

The agreement followed an all-night meeting that broke up after dawn. It gave President Johnson a chance to recoup after a stunning setback to his prestige in the early morning vote.

The action capped what already has been the longest session of Congress since World War II.

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CAPE KENNEDY (UPI)

The United States rocketed its eighth Tiros satellite into orbit today to send back the first "instant" pictures of earth's weather.

The camera-carrying moonlet rode into the sky in the nose of a three stage Delta rocket that ran up an unprecedented 21st straight success.

The rocket roared from its launching pad atop a pillar of flame and smoke at 4:30 a.m. EST. Ten minutes later, the federal space agency said all stages had fired properly.

Early information indicated the satellite was whirling about earth in an orbit from 436 miles to 468 miles up. Scientists said Tiros-8 made one trip around the globe every 99 minutes.

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