

The Weather
Forecast: Increasing cloud-ness with light rain tonight and Wednesday, slightly warmer tonight.
Temperature
Highest yesterday — 53
Lowest this morning — 25

Christmas Money
Sell off personal and other articles you no longer need to be found around the home. In this way you have extra Christmas money and at the same time make Christmas happier for others.

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HALIFAX SCORES SOVIET AGGRESSION



Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—Meeting of the Federal Power Policy Committee this week with representatives of 50 eastern power companies contains more than a potential threat to the prospective development of industry in Washington and Oregon, with respect to utilization of energy from Bonneville and Grand Coulee.

This committee, chaired by Secretary Ickes, and with most active advocates of government-ownership as members, proposes creation of a super-grid or transmission system extending east from the Mississippi river, with Chicago as its most western point. In this grid, as planned, will be all the public and private generating plants, hydro and steam, all pouring their electric energy into one gigantic pool.

Ostensibly, the theory is to provide sufficient power for industries needed for national defense and to guard against stoppage of vital power should an important plant be sabotaged or bombed.

Another reason for the series of conferences is political. Secretary Ickes and his group wish to avoid the power issue (administration nagging at the private utilities) in the presidential campaign.

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ADDIE HALLEY ESTATE VALUED AT \$106,517; MOSTLY IN U.S. BONDS

Appraisal of the estate of the late Addie Halley, filed with the county clerk today, lists the estate value at \$106,517.33. Appraisers were M. N. Hogan, Oris Crawford, and M. A. Goldy.

Bulk of the estate is in United States treasury bonds with ready values in this city placed at \$52,490, including the Palace hotel property on South Central avenue. The remainder is in personal property and a bank deposit of \$1500.

Mrs. Halley in her will made bequests to a brother and two sisters, to the National Women's Christian Temperance Union, two Medford churches, and two Medford Sunday schools, and trust funds of \$500 each to the local fire department and police department, to be used as a Christmas fund for the regular members.

Mrs. Halley was a resident of this city for nearly half a century and widely known.

Josephine Tax Levy Takes Slight Rise

Grants Pass, Dec. 5.—(P)—Josephine county's tax levy will rise 1.1 mills to 22.5 mills in 1940, County Assessor Jas. J. McFadden estimated today. Assessed valuation rose \$135,931 to \$6,275,305 total.

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SIDE GLANCES
by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Minnie Bryant getting the Christmas gift urge early and delivering a box of simply luscious home-made candy to a friend.

Lester Price denying to a group of friends that he keeps his thumb wrapped up to get out of a lot of work, but finally admitting the bandage was really retained to increase his ping-pong handicap.

Magician John Eads not being able to solve the mystery concerning the Craterian Santa Claus workings.

And Jack Matlack giggling to himself.

Helen Conroy simply fed up with various cute antics of other persons' pet cats.

ATTACK ON FINNS HELD OUTGROWTH RUSSO-NAZI PACT

British Foreign Secretary Says People Shocked By Bombing of Open Towns.

Moscow, Dec. 5.—(P)—Soviet Russia has given notice of withdrawal from sessions of the League of Nations called to act on Finland's charge of aggression. Russia, in fact, construes the invitation as an insult.

London, Dec. 5.—(P)—Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax today called the Russian invasion of Finland an "inexcusable act of aggression by one of the largest on one of the smallest" nations in Europe.

The foreign secretary told the house of lords the Russian attack was a direct outgrowth of the German-Russian agreement, and added:

"Open towns have been bombarded, women and children mutilated and done to death on the pretext that a nation of under four millions had hostile designs against one of 180 millions."

"The British people have been profoundly shocked by the circumstances of the Soviet attack and they have profoundly admired the magnificent resistance of the Finns."

Halifax said the British position would be made plain at the League of Nations session.

Washington, Dec. 5.—(P)—Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, announced today the United States government had notified certain Latin-American nations it would be very glad to participate in a joint Pan-American condemnation of Russia's invasion of Finland.

Certain Latin-American nations, which he did not name, have approached this government in support, Welles said, of the principles of international law and with reprobation.

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Chops Off Hand



Elbert Snyder (above), 24, displays the stump of his right hand which he asserted "the Lord told me to cut off." Snyder said he had been careless in the use of a Sunday School paper and declared he didn't mind the pain. He is from Charleston, W. Va.

SWEDEN ALARMED BY RUSSIAN ONSLAUGHT CALLS UP RECRUITS

Stockholm, Dec. 5.—(P)—Sweden, in increasing alarm at the extent of the Soviet Russian incursion into Finland, called more troops to the colors today and for the first time acknowledged "partial mobilization."

About 40,000 men, including artillerymen, engineers and commission detachments, were ordered into service, bringing to about 150,000 the number under arms—as against a normal standing force of 20,000.

The troops are for "wartime service," published notices said. Previous military orders referred only to "preparedness."

The number of Swedes enlisting in volunteer corps for service with the Finns passed 1,000 today, and more than 1,000,000 kronor (\$240,000) was subscribed by citizens for their benefit.

Sweden herself, however, continued to direct her efforts toward neutrality, one official informant remarking, "We may be wealthy, but our forces are too small to send to the aid of another country."

Finnish refugees reaching Haparanda, on the Swedish side of the frontier, related today they were machine-gunned by Russian planes which they rushed out to greet near Petsamo in the mistaken belief they were Red Cross craft.

ROUTINE BUSINESS ON CITY COUNCIL PROGRAM

Only routine business is due to come before the semi-monthly meeting of the city council tonight at 7:30 in the council chambers of city hall.

BLONDE TIGRESS EVADES SEARCH

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 5.—(P)—Representatives of Gov. Bob Jones failed again today to obtain possession of a note left by Winnie Ruth Judd, fugitive mad slayer, who still led officers on a will-o-the-wisp search.

The mysterious communication to the governor is held by Mrs. H. J. McKinnell, aged mother of Mrs. Judd.

Fourteen highway patrolmen were beating the brush today in a large area north of the hospital, in the belief Mrs. Judd might be hiding in orange groves. A woman was reported to have burglarized a house in that neighborhood last night.

SUB-POST OFFICE OPEN WEDNESDAY

Post office Sub-Station No. 1, will be opened tomorrow at 31 North Barlett street. The station, which will be in charge of Edna Eiferl, clerk, will be available to patrons from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. daily.

FINNISH AIRMEN STRIKE BACK AT REDS IN BALTIC

Paldiski Port Bombarded—New Russ Attack on Helsinki Feared Tomorrow.

By Lynn Heinzerling
Helsinki, Dec. 5.—(P)—Finland was reported today to have struck back at Soviet Russia by air bombardment of Paldiski, the Baltic port which Russia leased from Estonia for a naval base. The reports lacked confirmation, however, and gave no details.

Finns had declared Paldiski was the base for some of the Soviet planes which raided Helsinki last week.

(Dispatches from the Norwegian-Finnish frontier told of unconfirmed reports that 80 Russian planes had been destroyed by Finnish fliers dropping incendiary bombs at Murmansk, Russia's ice-free Arctic port.)

The border reports also said three Soviet planes had raided Saiminservi and nearby regions of northern Finland.

Put Hope In Sweden

Finnish hope aid might be forthcoming from Sweden was indicated by quick fortification of the Aaland islands which would keep open a sea route between the two nations.

Helsinki's early winter night closed down after a quiet day which saw no resumption of air attacks on the capital. But Finns gloomily expressed fear that Soviet Russia might choose the 21st anniversary of Finnish independence tomorrow to unleash a new attack from the sky.

Always observed with solemnity by the Finns, the independence anniversary will have added significance as the sturdy northerners fight to preserve their freedom.

Movement of civilians out of Helsinki to the interior is practically complete, but workmen still are hurriedly boarding up windows and doors.

Russian Claims Hit

A Finnish government spokesman, discussing Moscow's statement that Russia is at peace with the Finnish people, declared "The world's diplomatic history knows no document as cynical as this."

"All that the Russian government has to say about the parliamentary system consists of lies and false allegations."

"This document better than anything shows the real face of the Soviet government which declares itself the protector of small nations and creator of the independence and liberty of small nations."

NAZIS WARN TURKEY RUSSIA MAY ACT TO CHANGE NEAR EAST

Berlin, Dec. 5.—(P)—French activity in the Near East and Turkey's pact with Britain and France are leading to counter measures, authorized sources intimated today, which may change the whole character of the present war and make Russia the decisive factor.

This intimation was seconded in a much franker editorial in today's *Conkischer Beobachter*, principal Nazi party organ. Russia, according to this officially inspired view, can make history repeat itself as exemplified in Alexander the Great's conquests.

(Alexander the Great conquered huge sections of the Near East, Asia and Africa, including what now is Turkey, parts of India and Egypt.)

The *Voelkischer Beobachter* published a long analysis of the strategic situation in the Near East, the obvious purpose of which was to let the Turks know they are betting on the wrong horse.

AMBASSADOR KENNEDY ON WING FOR HOME

Lisbon, Dec. 5.—(P)—Joseph P. Kennedy, United States ambassador to London, departed for New York this morning on a trans-Atlantic clipper.

(The London embassy announced November 23 Kennedy had been called home by the state department for consultation, the nature of which it did not disclose.)

The envoy has been waiting here since last Friday to continue his aerial trip.

Influenza Forces Rogue River To Suspend Schools

Grants Pass, Nov. 5.—(P)—An influenza epidemic in Rogue River closed the grade and union high schools in the Jackson county town east of here today until at least next Monday. Four of the ten teachers were among those ill.

Half the students at Murphy, south of here, were absent yesterday.

The Rogue valley flu epidemic in the past three weeks has at times closed schools at Kerby, Medford and Talent. Locally, an epidemic which saw more than one-third of the Grants Pass pupils absent has practically disappeared.

FLU EPIDEMIC EBBING BUT PRESENT ATTACKS HIT SUFFERER HARDER

A Medford physician stated this morning that approximately 75 per cent of the city's population is either now suffering from influenza or just recently recovered from the disease. The physician stated that while the epidemic seems to be ebbing, those now in its clutches are suffering greater prostration and more complications than appeared to be the case in the early stages of the onslaught.

The county health officer reports that the epidemic in rural districts has not been as severe as in city districts and that the number of cases is dwindling.

Hospitals report that they are filled to capacity with influenza cases and others.

Another Medford medical man stated that a good rain would put an end to the epidemic almost immediately.

The city school superintendent's office reported the following number of students absent today: High school, 63; junior high school, 38; Jackson, 27; Lincoln, 28; Roosevelt, 40; Washington 56. This is a considerable drop from absentee figures of last week.

187 Pounds Venison

It was disclosed by state police today that 187 pounds of venison, apparently parts of four deer, were confiscated by Officers Albright and Walker when they went to the Dahack cabin, in the wilds of the Lake Creek country on the Dead Indian Soda Springs road about 12 miles above the store, yesterday morning. The meat, the officers stated, was on a small porch connected to the cabin.

Irvin Dahack, who lived with his brother in the cabin, was brought to Medford yesterday for questioning concerning the venison, and was released on his own recognizance by the district attorney. He admitted, police stated, that the deer had been killed after the season closed. No action has been taken on him.

Zera Dahack was struck by two bullets, one of which penetrated the front of his neck, severing the jugular vein and ranging downward, and the other striking him in the back below the right shoulder, according to the coroner's office. Neither state policeman was wounded.

Followed Cabin Visit

The shooting fray followed the officers' visit to the Dahack cabin. The two officers left Medford at 9:20 yesterday morning, armed with a search warrant issued after information had been received that Dahack had venison in his possession out of season. Arriving at the cabin, after a long ride over the twisting and rocky road, the officers found neither brother at home. They searched the small house, and after loading the venison in their coupe started back toward Lake Creek.

About two miles from the cabin, the officers related Dahack stepped from behind a large tree at the left side of the road, and at the point of a rifle, commanded them to halt.

Sergeant Walker explained that after the car was stopped, he got out the right door and heard Dahack shout, "I'll give you just 10 seconds to unload that meat before I kill you."

Reasoning Tried

The officer said he retorted, "Now put that gun away and don't make matters any worse."

Dahack then ran to the other side of the road, the officers stated, stepped behind a small tree and fired from a distance of 43 feet. Sergeant Walker drew his gun and returned the fire, as Private Albright climbed from behind the wheel of the car and also opened fire, the policemen explained. Dahack fired again, then ran back across the road and found partial concealment behind another tree 150 feet from the car, the officers said.

There, the officers said, Dahack shot once more. The policemen continued firing as Dahack ducked from behind the tree and back again, and it is believed by police that the bullet, striking him in the neck, spun him around as he started to run down the side of the road. He finally fell 237 feet in a direct line from the car, and about 10 feet from the road. It is assumed by police that

CORONER SLATES DAHACK INQUEST AT 7:30 TONIGHT

Officers Involved And Deceased's Brother Will Be Witnesses At Hearing.

A coroner's inquest into the death yesterday of Zera Edward Dahack, 71, Lake Creek rancher killed in a gun battle at noon with State Police Sergeant Ed Walker and Private George Albright, will be held in the county courthouse auditorium at 7:30 tonight. The inquest will be open to the public.

Deputy District Attorney George Neilson, who arrived at the shooting scene a short time after it happened, will conduct the inquest. Those slated to testify are Officers Walker and Albright, State Police Captain Lee M. Bown, Private Al Stoehr, Sergeant O. A. MacKinnon and Irvin Dahack, brother of the deceased.

Death Laid to Dad

Arthur Schiller, Jr., (upper), seven-year-old Seattle boy was fatally stabbed. Seattle police said, by his father (lower), who then attempted to take his own life. The elder Schiller is shown in the hospital.

TEXAS HEREFORD GRAND CHAMPION

Chicago, Dec. 5.—(P)—A Hereford steer from Texas, Lucky Boy 2nd, owned by Mayfield Kothmann of Mason, was adjudged the grand champion steer of the 40th International Livestock show today.

It was the first time since 1932 that a Hereford won the most coveted purple ribbon of the show.

Another Texas Hereford, Texas State Fair, shown by Jack Baker of Bluff Dale, won the reserve grand championship.

Used Wrong Cartridges

In Dahack's 38-55 calibre Marlin lever rifle were 30-30 shells. The Dahack's also had a 30-30 calibre rifle in the cabin, and police believe that Dahack, in his haste to secure ammunition after the officers left, grabbed the wrong shells. Apparently those wrong-sized shells in Dahack's gun caused him to miss Sergeant Walker, who was in uniform, at 43 feet.

Irvin Dahack, who had been to Lake Creek with a team and wagon obtaining groceries, came upon the scene a few minutes after the shooting. He identified his brother, then drove the team to the cabin and returned afoot. He remarked, when he got back, that "If I had been here this would never have happened."

Captain Bown quoted Sergeant Walker as saying, "I was dumfounded when he started shooting. I had known him for many years and never before had any serious trouble with him."

Dahack was arrested once before for possession of venison in closed season. In March, 1934, he was fined \$50 and sentenced to 30 days in jail, according to court records.

Yesterday's report of the shooting was telephoned, just before press time, to the Mail Tribune by a staff reporter, who accompanied Captain Bown, Deputy District Attorney Neilson and Private Al Stoehr to the scene.

KUHN SENTENCED FOR LOOTING OF BUND TREASURY

Two And a Half To Five Years Imposed On Leader Of German-Americans.

New York, Dec. 5.—(P)—Fritz Kuhn, German-American bund leader, was sentenced today to a prison term of from two and a half to five years. He was convicted last week of grand larceny of bund funds.

The sentence was imposed on the count of grand larceny in the James D. C. Murray transaction and in two counts of forgery in that connection.

Sentence was suspended by James C. Wallace on the transaction involving the alleged payment of the moving expenses of Mrs. Florence Camp, the "blonde angel" of Kuhn's love letters.

Murray had testified during the trial that he had never received \$500 which Kuhn claimed to have paid him for legal services.

Hate Not Factor

The other charge of larceny concerned \$717 allegedly given Mrs. Camp.

"This man is not to be sentenced because he is a hate dispenser or a rabble-rouser, for there are thousands of others in this country," Judge Wallace said before he pronounced sentence.

Kuhn's attorney, Peter L. F. Sabbatino, had contended during the trial that political persecution lay at the bottom of the case.

The judge denied a defense request to suspend sentence.

"I will rely upon your vast store of experience to pass fitting sentence," Sabbatino said.

He made no motion to defer execution of sentence pending a possible appeal.

Losses Civil Rights

Conviction and sentence automatically deprive Kuhn of such civil rights as voting, holding public office and other privileges granted by citizenship. These can be restored only by action of the governor after Kuhn has served his sentence.

His citizenship, as such, is not revoked. Kuhn, German-born, became a naturalized citizen in 1933.

The state contended at Kuhn's trial that he altered his records to conceal the disposition of the \$500 in the Murray matter.

Kuhn already had turned over the bund leadership to an acting fuhrer, Gerhard Wilhelm Kunze.

Kunze, in an interview, said he would make no changes in the bund work, and added he would act as leader only temporarily.

REPULSE GERMAN RAIDS ALONG WESTERN FRONT

Paris, Dec. 5.—(P)—The repulse of a series of German raids on the western front was reported by tonight's high communiqué.

"The enemy attempted a series of raids, all of which failed," it said.

Radio Highlights

By Associated Press (Pacific standard time.)
Tonight: Europe—WABC-CBS 5:55, 8; MBS 4:30, 6; WEAF-NBC—East 8.
WABC-CBS—7:45 Rural Youth program, Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt.
WJZ-NBC—7 Secretary of State Hull's address to American Farm Bureau federation.
Wednesday: Europe—NBC-Chains 5 a. m.; WABC-CBS 5 a. m., 3:30 p. m. WABC-CBS—1, Harry P. Davison on Christmas Seals. WJZ-NBC—1, J. Howard Pew addressing Congress of American Industry. MBS—8:15 a. m., Howard Conroy's address to National Association of Manufacturers; 11:30 a. m., special recruiting broadcast from navy airplane; 1:30 p. m., award to baseball announcer.