



GRAPHIC FIRE SCENE is caught by cameraman as fire sweeps New York tenement. Firemen are inching down ladder with human cargo as terrorized tenants in two fourth floor windows beg for help while flames leap from adjacent window. All were rescued. (International Soundphoto)



CREEPING OVER LOWLANDS at Winnipeg, Man., flood waters inundate this veterans' housing area near prairie metropolises of 350,000 as rain-swollen Red River rises. (International Soundphoto)

### Truman Says Farm States Risk Loss If Projects Slow

Aboard Truman Train, May 13 (U.P.)—President Truman said today that central states risk loss of their industries and population to other areas unless they awake to the need for a coordinated reclamation program.

Completing a tour of the Fort Peck dam in Montana before entering North Dakota for a major speech tonight at Fargo, Mr. Truman demanded that the various federal agencies interested in reclamation cooperate in the development of the Mississippi and Missouri valleys.

He referred principally to the army corps of engineers and the reclamation part of the interior department.

Mr. Truman's first North Dakota stop was at Williston, where an estimated 8,000 persons crowded around the rear platform to hear the president discuss a project of vital concern in the area—the Garrison dam reservoir.

"I understand that there is some concern that the building of the Garrison dam would result in the flooding of Williston," Mr. Truman said. "I want to assure you that this concern is not founded on fact or I would not have approved it."

### STORM HITS JACKSONVILLE

A severe storm of nearly an hour's duration hit Jacksonville and vicinity Friday about 5:20 p. m. Wind and heavy rain later combined with hail of considerable size, melted the area. No reports of particular damage have been made, although it is understood that some damage occurred to flowers and gardens.

### FLYING SAUCERS AGAIN

London, May 13—(U.P.)—The magazine News Review said today that flying saucers were used by the United States air force as targets for anti-rocket weapons.

## Late Sports Bulletins

Willows, Cal., May 13—(U.P.)—Willows scored a 2 to 1 Far West league victory over Medford here tonight in a game featured by two-hit pitching and a rare triple play.

Bookie Whit Ulrich of Willows pitched a near-masterpiece as he limited the Rogues to two feeble singles. He lost a shut-out in the second inning when Medford's Bob Haddock walked, stole second and scored on Bill Adams' single.

The brilliant triple-killing was pulled off by Medford in the first inning with none on first and second and none out. The third batter, Jim Luker, grounded sharply to Al Bolen at third. Bolen tagged the runner from second and then rifled the ball to Jack Cooney at first to nip Luker. Cooney then whipped the ball back to Bolen to catch Willows' runner Gene Painter who was attempting to pick up an extra base on the play.

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### Douglas Fir Mills May Have To Close

Portland, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—The railroad strike will cause a shutdown of many Douglas fir mills in Oregon and Washington within another week, Harris Smith, secretary of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, said today.

Smith said railroads were unable to obtain sufficient freight cars to haul a record output of lumber from the mills. Smith said on the basis of a check of producers in both states.

He said Southern Pacific has approximately two days' supply of cars on hand in Oregon and expects to be receiving only reduced supply during the week. Meanwhile, there was a possible threat that the Locomotive Firemen's union strike may cause a rail tieup in the Pacific northwest.

### State Prison Inmate Escapes from Farm

Salem, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—Richard Johnson, 29, serving a seven-year term in the Oregon state penitentiary for assault and robbery from Lane county, escaped today while working at the prison farm under armed guard.

Johnson escaped in an old-model car on the Turner road which runs by the prison strawberry field in which Johnson was working with other prisoners. The guard watching the prisoners said Johnson got away before he realized what was happening.

The car, described by the guard as "an old jalopy" stopped at the edge of the field. Johnson ran to the car and jumped in as it pulled away. No trace of the car has been found.

Eugene, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—District high school won the Springfield 4 track title here this afternoon, scoring 102 2/3 points. Second place went to Eugene with 76.3.

Eugene, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—The University of Oregon dropped another notch into the northern division baseball cellar Saturday, dropping a 6-3 decision to Oregon State here.

Riverside, Cal., May 13—(U.P.)—George Pain hurled a one-hitter tonight as Riverside, making a triple play in the second inning, blanked Porterville, 3 to 0, in a Sunset league baseball game.

Pain struck out 11 men to bring his strikeout record to 56 in six games.

Portland, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—The lucky Beavers of Portland moved into the lead in their Pacific Coast league series with Sacramento here Saturday night, winning 7-2.

Seattle, May 13—(U.P.)—Seattle took a three to two lead in the Pacific Coast league baseball series with San Diego here by downing the Padres Saturday night 3 to 2.

### No Flood Danger In Valley, Tourists Should Be Told

Weather in the Rogue River valley is fine, and there is no threat of floods here, And resort owners, motel operators and Chamber of Commerce officials wish that more people knew these facts.

Stories originating in the Columbia basin about floods and threats of floods have cut tourist travel in southern Oregon, they say, even when there is no flood threat here. As proof, the Chamber of Commerce Saturday cited streamflow figures on the Rogue river in comparison to last year—when there was no flood, either.

At Gold Ray dam, California Oregon Power company figures last year on May 11 showed a flow of 6,005 cubic feet per second. On the same date this year, the flow was 3,745 cfs.

On the north fork of the Rogue river above Prospect, the flow on May 12, 1949, was 2,880 cfs and on May 12 this year the flow was a moderate 1,718 cfs.

In other words, the chamber said, the situation here is fine, but it wishes more people—particularly in California—knew it.

### Unemployed Payment Record Established

Salem, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—Although claims lines continued to dwindle in April and early May, new records of unemployment compensation in Oregon were being established, the state unemployment commission said today. The 1949-50 benefit year ends June 30.

Checks went to 16,401 workers in the first week of May, compared with 27,647 a month ago and 61,108 at the February peak. But a considerable part of the decline, the commission said, was believed due to the dropping of 28,000 persons who have drawn their maximum benefits since last July.

The commission looks for an influx of new claims from this group when the 1950-51 benefit year opens July 1. The files contain claims from 140,000 covered workers or more than a third of those eligible for benefits. State payments for 10 months of the current benefit year passed the \$24,000,000 mark, nearly \$7,500,000 higher than the previous top for all of 1946.

### Feudin' Brooklyn Boys Rounded Up by Police After Youth Is Killed

New York, May 13—(U.P.)—Police today rounded up all members of Brooklyn's feuding juvenile gangs, the "Garfields" and "Tigers." They fought a battle in Prospect park last night in which one was killed and another wounded.

A 16-year-old "Garfield boy" admitted he fired the shot that killed an 18-year-old "Tiger."

Anthony Scarpatò told Deputy Chief Inspector Frank O'Leary he felled James Fortunato, a recent high school graduate.

Reno, Nev. May 13—(U.P.)—Watson J. Williams was convicted today of assault and battery of a police officer.

# RAIL STRIKE COVERS FIFTH BIG SYSTEM

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### Winnipeg Vacated In Mass Flight by Cars, Trucks, Train 110,000 Persons Leave Flood Ravaged City

Winnipeg, Man., May 13—(U.P.)—A giant fleet of 3,700 cars and trucks and six special Red Cross trains carried citizens out of Winnipeg today in a mass flight from a new flood crest.

A Red Cross official said that by Monday a total of 110,000 persons—more than one-third of this city's population of 320,000—will have fled in the greatest flood exodus in Canadian history.

The Canadian Pacific railway reported that 70,000 persons had left by rail and airline officials reported that 1,200 had been flown out in the past five days.

A United Press survey shows, however, that only 60,000 of these refugees had homes in Winnipeg.

Premier D. L. Campbell of Manitoba said shelter for 85,000 flood victims had been arranged in private homes throughout the prairie province and eastern Canada.

The mass exodus was spurred by warnings that the snake-like Red river, which was surging through the city at seven miles an hour, would rise three to six inches in the next 24 hours and would bring a new flood crest here in about six days. In addition, fresh rains were forecast for tomorrow.

U. S. Army engineer H. W. Harich, flown here to help plot the flood's course, said the second flood crest would be "even worse" than the first. Army officials reported they had set up control check points at city boundaries in an effort to keep track of the huge numbers of refugees.

### Demos Plan All-Out Offense on McCarthy

Washington, May 13—(U.P.)—Democrat strategists hinted today they are readying an all-out offensive against Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's charge of "Communism in the state department."

"Some of our members are getting a bit tired of sitting back and taking this thing," a source close to democratic leaders said. "Don't be surprised if you hear some well placed floor speeches."

This source indicated that the slashing floor attack by Sen. Dennis Chavez, (D., N.M.), against Louis F. Budenz, was the opening barrage of the campaign. But he declined to discuss future strategy.

Chavez followed up his attack on Budenz with a forecast that McCarthy's political life will be brief. The New Mexico senator predicted that he will remain in the senate "longer" than the Wisconsin republican.

Chavez said he consulted neither the state department nor administration officials before making his floor speech.

### 2,017 Voting Areas For Friday's Primary

Portland, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—The number of voting precincts in Oregon will reach an all-time high of 2,017 during next Friday's primary election.

An increase of 156 precincts was indicated in a survey today. Multnomah county showed the largest number of new precincts, 41, for a total of 553, but Lane county had the largest percentage of increase. Jumping from 122 to 156.

Four counties, Clackamas, Lane, Marion and Multnomah, reported more than 100 precincts. Their totals were 123, 156, 110 and 553 respectively.

Counties showing a decrease were Baker, from 39 to 37; Crook, 17 to 14; Grant, 18 to 15; Harney, 22 to 15; Lake, 20 to 18; and Wallowa, 15 to 14.

WEATHER FORECAST - Variable cloudiness today with thunder showers in the mountains. Little temperature change. Mostly cloudy and cooler. Monday. Highest Yesterday 54. Lowest Yesterday 32.

### Weyerhaeuser Strike Starts Monday After Negotiations Ended

Portland, Ore., May 13—(U.P.)—Negotiations between the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, the northwest's largest logging concern, and the International Woodworkers of America, CIO, broke down today and IWA President J. E. Fadling said the company's 6,000 workers would strike Monday.

The union reached "tentative agreements" with all other northwest operators today and Friday, averting the threat of an industry-wide strike in three northwest states.

Virgil Burtz, IWA research director, said the strike will tie up Weyerhaeuser operations at Springfield and Klamath Falls, Ore., and Longview, Raymond, Vale and Macdonald, Wash. He added that boom workers at the company's Puget Sound operations would also go out.

Meanwhile, the Timber Operators association, which includes over a dozen small operators in the Grays and Willapa Harbor areas, reached an agreement with the union late today.

IWA negotiations with several other employer groups were closed earlier today and Friday with companies agreeing to add 7 1/2-cents-an-hour to payrolls for payment of a health and welfare program. Also included in the agreements was provision of three paid holidays.

### Wanda Norton Reigns Over Annual Festival in Phoenix

Phoenix, May 13—Miss Wanda Norton, sponsored by the Phoenix Parent-Teacher association, was crowned queen of the Phoenix May festival at 11 a. m. Saturday, as the two-day community celebration got under way here.

Highlight of the occasion will be dedication of the new Youth Center building at 1 p. m. Sunday, with Dr. Elmo Stevenson as principle speaker.

Miss Norton kept the lead in vote tabulations, which she gained Thursday evening, up to the final count Friday. Her total number of votes was 29,278. Officiating at coronation ceremonies were Medford Mayor Diamond Flynn and Nanette Furry, 1949 festival queen and the queen and her court of princesses were to preside at both the modern and old-time dances Saturday night.

Standings of other queen contestants at the final count Friday were Bonnie Terzenbach, Lions club, 14,634; Shirley Dudley, Neighbors of Woodcraft Thriftible club, 11,502; Sally Tripp, Thursday club, 9,033; Rosalie Klassen, Phoenix Rostalia Klassen, Phoenix Grange, 7,212; Virginia Roberts, Phoenix Garden club, 6,088; and Barbara Barlow, Phoenix Youth group, 4,728.

Votes in the contest sold for a penny each, and a total of \$824.78 was raised by this method for putting the finishing touches on the new building.

Start of the ceremonies and entertainment Saturday followed a series of horn-tooting caravans which wound their way through Talent, Ashland, Medford, Central Point and Jacksonville to advertise the festival.

A parade through Phoenix immediately followed the queen crowning ceremonies, and first prize was awarded to the float entered by the Community club and Youth center, showing an interior view of the new building.

Other awards were to the Phoenix Grange, a garden scene, second place; Thursday club, a Maypole scene, third place, and four honorable mention floats entered by Boles Brothers, the Garden club, Neighbors of Woodcraft, and the queen committee.

A series of entertainments are planned through the afternoon Sunday, following the building dedication ceremonies.

By United Press Northern California - Fair Sunday and Monday except for coastal fog. Clear in afternoon. Little change in temperature. Northwest winds 15-25 mph except locally 30 mph exposed points.

## Youth Day Program and Parade To Include Music, Talk by Morse

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### Strong Nationalist Guerrilla Units on Chinese Mainland Strongest Yet To Go Fighting Way Inland

Taipei, Formosa, Sunday, May 14—(U.P.)—The official Central News agency reported today that strong Chinese nationalist guerrilla units landed on the mainland at daybreak Friday to bolster and supply other guerrilla fighters there.

The force, understood to be the strongest yet to be put ashore by the nationalists, was reported fighting its way inland with specially trained saboteurs. Communist jet plane bases now under construction were said to be the special targets.

At the same time, the nationalist air force and navy pounded Communist held islands in the Chusan group, from which the Reds have menaced the nationalist base at Tanghai.

The Central News agency reported that the guerrillas landed on the mainland had captured prisoners and booty and still were engaged in heavy fighting.

Central News said the landing took place in the Shihpu area, 70 miles south of the threatened air and naval base of Tanghai, itself under communist artillery bombardment for several days.

The nationalists have made other guerrilla raids in the Shihpu area. The communist radio claimed "victory" in attacks against Tanghai, but status of the island stronghold was not clear.

The Central News dispatcher from Tanghai indicated the island remained in nationalist hands. A nationalist communiqué said war planes bombed communist artillery positions on red-held islands near Tanghai "day-long" Friday. Tanghai is 90 miles south of Shanghai.

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The afternoon meeting, held under the auspices of junior and senior high school authorities and open to the public will feature a flag-raising ceremony by the local civil air patrol unit, after students of both high schools assemble. Morse will inspect the CAP squadron and will then give a major talk on the subject of national defense. He will be introduced by Frank J. Van Dyke, speaker of Oregon's house of representatives.

The parade will be at 7 p. m. between Riverside avenue and Fir street, along Main street, under the direction of Wales, assisted by army and navy personnel in national guard jeeps. Included in the parade will be the junior high school band, American Legion colors, the local Veterans of Foreign Wars post, the CAP squadron, Bliss Heine's drum corps, a Medford fire truck, Medford high school students in a serpentine march, the Ashland high school band, the Eagle Point high school band in a truck and student delegates, the Central Point drum corps followed by Boy and Girl scout units, and the rear guard, formed by army jeeps proceeding abreast.

Morse's second talk of the day, again on national defense problems, will be given immediately after the parade. On the review-

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