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FORECAST: Mostly cloudy with showers tonight. Decreasing cloudiness Thursday. Low tonight 30. High Thursday 52. Temp. Highest Yesterday 53. Lowest this Morning 41. Prec. to 10 a.m. Today .09.

Fall of Japan Said Apparent Before Yalta Conference

MacArthur Against Russia War Entry

New York—(U.P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur said today that "the imminent collapse of Japan" in World War II "was clearly apparent several months" before the Yalta conference concession to bring into the Pacific war.

The former commander of Allied forces in the Far East issued a formal statement of his views as a result of the publication last week of the Yalta papers.

MacArthur said that all his reports after October, 1944, had pressed the imminent collapse of Japan and that discussions had even been held in his headquarters about the possibility that the war against Japan would end before the war in Europe.

There have been published reports that MacArthur had told Washington the invasion of Japan and the final defeat of the Japanese would cost 1,000,000 lives. These reports were cited by backers of President Roosevelt as sufficient and good reason to make concessions to the Russians at Yalta.

President Favors Big 4 Exploratory Talks After Germany Pacts Ratified

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower said today that he would be willing to make a lot of concessions in his attitude toward Russia and would favor Big Four exploratory talks among foreign ministers after the agreements to rearm Germany are finally ratified.

He conceded that there might be a difference between his position and that of Chairman Walter F. George of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. George renewed last week end the idea of a big power meeting. He would not require Russia to meet any particular conditions prior to a high-level conference.

The chief executive, in a serious and earnest mood during a news conference dominated by Big Four questions, said that there had been two relatively recent changes in Russian leadership and this might lead to faint hope that exploratory talks would be valuable.

President Believes Wartime Papers Should Be Public

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower said today he earnestly believes that pertinent documents of all secret wartime conferences should be made public.

But he said they should be used to learn lessons from past mistakes, not to damage reputations or pin blame on participants.

Nor should they be used to upset American Allies, the President told his news conference.

President questioned Mr. Eisenhower made the statement under questioning about the administration's controversial decision which led to the publication last week of the 1945 Yalta conference documents. Publication of the Yalta papers kicked up a political and diplomatic furor.

The President said release of such documents should be confined to things of political and military significance. He said such papers should not include casual conversations of the participating leaders.

Churchill objected And he emphasized that publications of such documents must be considered carefully where interests of American Allies are involved.

British Prime Minister Winston Churchill objected to the U. S. decision to publish the Yalta papers at this time. He said the American version of the documents contained some "serious mistakes."

Among other things, Churchill objected to publication of casual remarks made at the conference with the late President Roosevelt and Soviet Premier Josef Stalin.

In this country, publication of the Yalta papers touched off a hot argument between Democrats and Republicans. Democrats in Congress have charged that the papers were made public to give Republicans ammunition for political attacks.

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Neuberger Kicks in \$25 as Starter for Fund To Keep Squirrels at White House

Washington—(U.P.)—The famous, playful White House squirrels never had so many defenders as today. By the merest political coincidence, the most outspoken were Democrats.

The Democrats, delighted to find the GOP exposed on a down to earth issue, gleefully teed off on President Eisenhower for having the White House squirrels trapped and exiled because they scratch up his practice golf green.

The furor, touched off by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) in a Senate speech, threatened to boil up into the biggest White House controversy since former President Truman added a balcony on the building's south side.

Damage To American Tradition Charged Neuberger accused Mr. Eisenhower of doing "permanent and irreparable damage to an American tradition" by trapping the squirrels and carting them away to preserve the surface of his putting green. Neuberger kicked in \$25 to start a fund to build a squirrel-proof aluminum fence around the golfing area so the bushy-tailed animals can continue to romp as they have for 150 years.

He invited other wildlife lovers to contribute. The White House would have to promise, however, to stop the trapping immediately.

Neuberger's Democratic colleagues were quick to support him, at least with words.

But the White House was icily silent. Press Secretary James C. Hagerty refused to answer any squirrelly questions. Nor would he say what would be done with Neuberger's fund if the President received it.

Neuberger Dead Serious on Issue "Why doesn't the President call in Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson?" Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.) asked a reporter. "He's been able to reduce production on everything else."

Neuberger is dead serious. "It isn't a gag," he said. "It's a pretty high-handed thing the President has done and I have a hunch people won't like it."

Neuberger said he hopes to get pro-squirrel sentiment stirred up all over the country.

The anti-squirrel policy first was disclosed by Merriman Smith, United Press White House reporter, in one of his behind the scenes reports on what goes on at the executive mansion.

Some wildlife experts think the President is in for a losing battle. They do not believe the animals can be trapped as fast as they multiply.

Wants Squirrels on His Share of Property Neuberger said he resented the President's action "as a plain, everyday, run of the mill American citizen. A little piece of the White House belongs to me, as it does to every American," he said. "I don't want my piece of the White House to be without the White House squirrels."

"Surely, a few squirrels on the White House lawn need not spoil the President's practice putts and pitch shots," he added.

Sen. Alben W. Barkley (D-Ky.) commented with a paraphrase from the Bible: "Birds have nests, foxes have their holes, but the son of man has not where to put."

Diem Orders Troops Into Saigon To Meet Threat of Hostility

Saigon, Indochina—(U.P.)—American-backed Premier Ngo Dinh Diem ordered troop reinforcements into Saigon today to meet the threat of open hostility by South Viet Nam's armed religious sects.

One thousand heavily armed troops from the north of the capital filed through the city early this morning and the Premier ordered two battalions of paratroopers into town to reinforce government troops.

Seeking Showdown The three religious sects, which gave Diem a five-day ultimatum to reorganize the government to their tastes, announced they were "continuing deployment of their military forces" for a showdown.

U. S. officials worked hastily to prevent open fighting in free Viet Nam. Reliable sources said special U. S. Ambassador Gen. J. Lawton Collins was meeting the leaders of the three sects today.

The move was taken by the sects as proof that Collins wanted above all to avoid civil war and had persuaded Diem to come to terms.

Underground Atom Bomb Exploded Las Vegas—(U.P.)—The Atomic Energy Commission exploded an atomic device underground today to give Army engineers and ordnance experts a chance to test nuclear demolition.

It was the first time since the firing of the atomic cannon in 1953 that an atomic device has been assembled and positioned by the Army.

And it was the first sub-surface detonation in more than three years.

The blast was triggered at 12:30 p.m. (PST) at an unannounced depth in Yucca Flat, 75 miles northeast of this gambling city. It was the seventh of the 1955 test series and the 38th nuclear explosion at the Nevada atomic range.

The explosion sent a huge cloud boiling skyward and churned up tons of debris and dirt.

\$3,000 in Money Orders Found on Arrested Pair Portland—(U.P.)—Police arrested two youths today after interrupting their attempts to prowl a hardware store and found them in possession of more than \$3,000 in negotiable money orders.

The youths were identified as Paul Erickson, about 20, and LeRoy S. Manning, 18, both transients. Police said they believed the name of Paul Erickson was an alias.

Both were booked for attempted burglary and were held as fugitives from Salt Lake City.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES New York—(U.P.)—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 410.87 up 6.40; 20 railroads 148.39 up 2.05; 15 utilities 63.88 up 0.11, and 65 stocks 152.96 up 1.94. Sales today were about 2,730,000 shares compared with 1,910,000 shares yesterday.

Auto Chains Needed On Willamette, Santiam Salem—(U.P.)—Motorists traveling the Willamette pass and Santiam pass were required to have chains, the State Highway Department said today.

Fourteen inches of new snow fell at Willamette pass and eight inches at Santiam pass overnight.

Baruch Says Market Not Cause of Booms Washington—(U.P.)—Bernard M. Baruch, the elder statesman who made his own fortune by guessing the market right, told Senate investigators today that neither he nor anyone else "knows whether stocks are too high today."

Baruch told the Senate Banking and Currency Committee that the market is not the cause of the booms and busts in the economy.

"Actually, it is the thermometer—not the fever," Baruch said. Its accuracy as a temperature taker, he suggested, may be slightly off of kilter.

"Two main factors in the economy have caused the general rise in the price level of stocks," Baruch said. "The dramatic expansion and improvement of so many industries, and the cumulative effects of the inflationary policies which have been followed over the last decade and a half."

Bevan Receives Laborite Reprieve On Party Expulsion

Special Subcommittee To Explore Attitude

London—(U.P.)—The National Executive Committee of the British Labor party gave a reprieve to Aneurin Bevan today at a meeting called to discuss whether to oust him from the party.

The committee which met to consider his ouster did not expel him.

Instead, the Executive committee decided to set up a special subcommittee of eight members to interview Bevan and explore his attitude.

Political Outcast The parliamentary Labor party, consisting of Socialist members of Parliament, last week withdrew the whip from Bevan in the House of Commons. This made him a political outcast, isolated without party recognition, in the House of Commons.

Today the 28-member Executive committee of the party met to decide whether to expel Bevan from the party itself.

Expulsion would have widened the major split which already has torn the party by Bevan's dismissal from Labor's parliamentary group.

Attlee At Meeting A grim, unsmiling Clement Attlee, as ex-officio member, met with the Executive Committee as it considered whether to punish Bevan for challenging Attlee's moderate leadership at a time when the Conservative government is threatening to call a general election.

At the close of the three-hour Executive committee meeting, a member of the committee was asked if Bevan had been expelled. "No," the member replied. "Not yet, anyway."

The Executive committee's decision was an apparent compromise to keep Bevan within the ranks of the Socialists and save the party from further split on the eve of the expected elections.

250 Visitors Due Here During 'Open' An estimated 250 persons are expected in Medford the rest of this week to attend or play in the Oregon Open Golf tournament being held at the Rogue Valley Country club.

City, chamber of commerce and country club officials joined today to welcome them to Medford.

Mayor Earl Miller, in a proclamation, designated the period of March 24 to 27 as "Oregon Open Golf Tournament Week," and urged the residents of Medford to participate by visiting the golf course and watching the leading professional and amateur golfers of the west coast during the competition.

John Pletsch, president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and Dr. D. E. Paul Walker, president of the country club, also joined in extending a welcome to the visiting golfers.

The entry list stood at 170 last night, or three more than last year's tournament, held at Tualatin. The list is virtually complete, according to George Harrington, manager of the country club.

French Senate Begins Debate on Rearmament Paris—(U.P.)—The French Senate began final debate today on ratification of the Paris arms treaties with France's role as a world power and the future of the Western defense system at stake.

Gearhart Woman Dies As Auto Hits Stump Seaside—(U.P.)—An elderly Gearhart woman was killed here yesterday when her car crashed into a stump.

Dead was Ella Wallace Hampton, 69. State police said she was alone in the car at the time of the accident.

Premier Scelba Wins Vote of Confidence Rome—(U.P.)—Premier Mario Scelba won a vote of confidence in Parliament today against a last minute pro-Communist move to thwart his departure tomorrow for the United States.



LOWRY TAKES GAVEL—State Sen. Philip B. Lowry, Medford, is shown above accepting the gavel of Senate President Elmo Smith, John Day, when he took over as temporary presiding officer in the senate recently. He is one of several state senators who have taken over the rostrum in recent weeks.

U.N. Commemorative Session Will Offer Chances for Talks

United Nations, N.Y.—(U.P.)—Big Four ministers who decide to attend a ceremonial session of the U.N. General Assembly in June will have opportunities available for "exploratory talks," U. S. sources said today.

President Eisenhower said at his news conference in Washington today he would favor such talks among the foreign ministers as a possible prelude to a meeting of the Big Four chiefs of state after agreements to rearm Germany finally are ratified.

Meeting Expected In Boston, the Christian Science Monitor said in a copyrighted dispatch that U.N. diplomats "expect a meeting of the Big Four ministers at the San Francisco session."

The Big Four are the United States, Britain, France and Russia.

The United Nations will observe the 10th anniversary of the signing of its charter at San Francisco from June 20 to 26.

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\$107,000 Available To County in Road Construction Funds

Approximately \$107,000 in federal aid secondary funds will be available to Jackson county for the fiscal year 1956, according to the county commissioners' journal.

The funds are available to the county through the federal aid road act of 1916, which provides for construction, selection and improvement of the federal aid secondary road system.

The total of \$107,000 includes matching funds of the state and county, as well as the federal aid allocation.

For Two Bridges The money will be used for construction of two bridges. One will cross the Little Applegate river, and the other will cross Star Gulch, both in the upper Applegate region.

The Little Applegate bridge will be 110 feet long, and the Star Gulch span will be 70 feet in length. Both spans will be 24 feet in width and will be of reinforced concrete deck girder construction.

The county cost will be 20 percent of the \$107,000 total, plus cost in addition to the \$107,000 figure.

Grange Opposes Bill On Rate Decreases Salem—(U.P.)—The Oregon State Grange went on record today in opposition to a bill that would deny the public utilities commissioner authority over rate decreases for motor carriers.

The commissioner himself, Charles H. Heltzel, refused to take a stand on the proposed legislation and declared himself neutral.

P. M. De Laubenfels, representing the Grange, said the PUC should have jurisdiction over unreasonably low rates as well as unreasonably high rates charged by motor carriers. Denial of jurisdiction over lowered rates could result in rate wars and elimination of competition, De Laubenfels said.

Medford Mail Tribune Entering 50th Year Yesterday was the first day of the 50th year of publication of The Medford Mail Tribune.

The paper as now constituted is the successor of a number of publications, through merger or purchase, stretching back several years before the first issue of the present daily.

On March 22, 1956, the paper will mark its golden anniversary.

Fertilizer Use Important County Agent W. B. Tucker pointed out to local farmers this morning that it will be important that they correlate the amount of fertilizer they use this year with their water supplies.

Application of too much nitrogen will bring about a tremendous early growth, which must have an adequate water supply to bring about full maturity of the crops.

Tucker noted that in some cases, it will be advisable to cut the amount of fertilizer used, while in others an added use of fertilizer will be desirable. The conditions will vary with the amount of water available, he said.

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Roseburg Police Hold Suspect in Burglary

Roseburg authorities are holding a man in custody for questioning in connection with two break and entries which occurred last night in Medford, according to city police.

Approximately \$120 was taken from the Greyhound Post House, 200 North Bartlett st. The burglary was discovered at about 5:30 a.m. today and was reported to police by Elsie L. Hohensee.

The second entry occurred at the First Baptist church, First st. and Central ave. It was believed that nothing was taken.

The man being held for questioning was picked up by Roseburg police this morning after city police found that he had bought a bus ticket here for that destination.

Didn't Attend Meeting Mr. Eisenhower warned against going into such a project with the view of damaging reputations. The President said he earnestly believed all documents should be made public on this basis of refusing to try to pin the blame on participants.

Of the Yalta papers, he emphasized that he would not rule on the rightness or wrongness of steps taken at Yalta. He also emphasized that he did not attend the meeting and had only a loose and second hand connection with the preparatory conference at Malta where British and U. S. representatives met a few days in advance of the Yalta parley.

School Segregation Hearing Thought Near Washington—(U.P.)—The Supreme Court may reach a final decision as early as this spring on how and when states should end segregation in public schools.

This was indicated by the court's sudden announcement that arguments on the question will be heard during the week beginning April 11.

The court usually announces any official actions at its Monday business sessions, but the segregation hearing date was announced by court clerk Harold B. Willey in a brief statement late yesterday. He said the court wants attorneys for all sides to have "as much time as possible to get ready for the new hearings."