

RAIL PASSENGER SERVICE ENDED

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JUBUNE

Weather

FORECAST: Fair through Tuesday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight 55. High Tuesday 55. Temp. Highest yesterday 57. Lowest this morning 57.

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Tachikawa Air Base, Japan—(U.P.)—Charges that 11 American airmen were tortured and beaten by the Communist Chinese probably will go before the United Nations, informed sources said today.

The world body will attempt to determine to what extent the alleged brutal treatment was used to wring confessions from the airmen, the sources said.

The charges may affect Red China's hopes of joining the United Nations, the sources added.

The airmen, freed by the Reds last week after more than two years in prison, told of their torture, beatings and solitary confinement at a press conference Sunday.

In Geneva, members of the Red Chinese delegation meeting with U.S. representatives denied the charges and said they were "sheer fabrication."

Want Hometown Reunions with Families

The men are to leave Tachikawa Air Base Wednesday for Travis Air Force Base, Calif., an Air Force spokesman said. They have asked that their families not be brought to the west coast. They prefer to go home individually for reunions.

The airmen went through more rigorous physical examinations today to determine if their health suffered during their forced stay in Red China.

One of the men, Daniel C. Schmidt, Redding, Calif., finally talked by telephone with his 21-year-old wife who remarried in the belief he was killed in Korea. The modern-day "Enoch Arden" refused to disclose details of the conversation about their tangled marital affairs.

Col. John Knox Arnold, leader of the airmen whose B29 was shot down over North Korea in January, 1953, repudiated all statements and "confessions" wrung from the men by Communist physical and mental persuasion.

He fought back tears as he told how the Reds treated him and his crew. His thin face twisted with emotion and his voice breaking occasionally, the Silver Springs, Md., flier admitted he gave the Communist military information under torture.

One Not Forced to Sign "Confession"

All the fliers except Maj. William H. Baumer, Lewisburg, Pa., said they made "confessions" of illegally invading Communist China and in some cases espionage.

Baumer said he was not forced to sign, apparently because of his physical condition. He was wounded in the foot when the B29 was shot down and later frostbite added complications and the foot was amputated.

Capt. Elmer F. Llewellyn, of Missoula, Mont., navigator of the plane, vehemently insisted they were well south of the Yalu river on a leaflet dropping mission over North Korea when they were shot down.

The other airmen were: Capt. John W. Buck, Armathwaite, Tenn.; Capt. Eugene J. Vaadi, Clayton, N.Y.; 1st Lt. Wallace L. Brown, Montgomery, Ala.; T-Sgt. Howard W. Brown, St. Paul, Minn.; Airman 1-c Steve E. Kiba, Akron, O.; Airman 2-c Harry M. Benjamin Jr., Worthington, Minn.; Airman 2-c John W. Thompson 3rd, Orange, Va.

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Seoul, Korea—(U.P.)—U. S. Army compounds in four major cities were under near-siege today because of violent demonstrations by South Koreans against neutral nations truce inspectors.

In Pusan, more than 2000 screaming Koreans ripped down the main gate to the U.S. Army's Hialeah compound where yesterday they formed a bloody, human bridge through 400 feet of barbed wire.

The U.S. Army denied Korean reports that American soldiers had bayoneted some of the demonstrators at Pusan and Inchon. Soldiers Injured

The Eighth Army said at least four soldiers were injured yesterday and six more Americans were hurt today when Koreans threw stones and bottles.

Gas-masked GIs had to toss 200 tear gas bombs into the mob and drench it with heavy streams of water from fire hoses before the demonstration was quieted.

Some 5000 demonstrators marched on the U.S. Army Compound at Taegu yesterday and a live hand grenade was tossed through the fence to a Korean employee. The Army said the Korean employee turned the unexploded grenade over to a soldier.

Cities Surrounded

Besides Pusan, U.S. compounds at Wolmi-Do Island at Inchon and at the port cities of Kusan and Hangnung were surrounded today.

Many of the demonstrators carried banners and shouted for the removal of the neutral nations truce inspectors, who act as watchdogs of the uneasy Korean armistice.

The outbreaks were the latest in a series of demonstrations against the Neutral Nations Commission whose Czech and Polish members the South Korean government has accused of being Communist spies.

Damage Heavy In Oregon Fires

By UNITED PRESS
Fires in Oregon Sunday claimed one life, caused an estimated \$100,000 damage to a grain elevator near Lebanon, heavily damaged a Grants Pass lumber yard and destroyed 1000 tons of hay near Hermiston.

A man died in a fire at a Cascade Locks hotel which was blamed on a cigarette. The flames were confined to the victim's room.

The sheriff's office tentatively identified the victim as James T. Plummer, about 35, Yreaville, Ark.

Some 500 tons of stored wheat and barley and a grain elevator were destroyed yesterday five miles west of Lebanon by fire of undetermined origin. Fire Chief Vern Reeves of Lebanon estimated loss at \$100,000.

At Grants Pass, a three-hour blaze burned two storage buildings of the Grants Pass lumber yards with damage estimated at \$35,000. The offices and stacked lumber were saved.

A brisk wind fanned a fire near Hermiston in which hay valued at \$30,000 was lost. Spontaneous combustion was blamed for the blaze.

Chandler Claims Kentucky Victory

Louisville, Ky.—(U.P.)—Former baseball Commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler claimed victory today over the state Democratic party machine in his battle for the gubernatorial nomination but his opponent refused to concede.

Chandler, Kentucky's governor 20 years ago, led his administration opponent, Bert T. Combs, by a 113,977 margin with returns in from 1,861 precincts of a total of 4,165 precincts when the vote count halted at midnight Saturday.

Chandler had 139,924 votes to Combs' 128,527, the combined total representing more than 40 per cent of the state vote.

The Louisville Courier-Journal, which opposed Chandler in its editorials almost from the outset, conceded victory to the former baseball commissioner in its editions Sunday.



SEEKING \$10,000 prize, Beverly Jansen, Providence, R. I., is entry in New York "Miss Exquisite Form" contest. She measures 35½, 23, 35 from north to south. (International)

Neuberger Calls For Resignation Of Douglas McKay

Washington—(U.P.)—Oregon's two Democratic senators have accused the Eisenhower administration of "degradation" of natural resources and "economic rape" for its handling of power development in Hells Canyon.

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger called for the resignation of Interior Secretary Douglas McKay for the "degradation" of natural resources under the Republican administration.

Morse Hurls Charge

Sen. Wayne Morse accused the administration of "raping the resources" of the nation and pushing it toward "economic fascism."

The charges were brought on by the recent Federal Power Commission's authorization of the Idaho Power Co. to build private dams in Hells Canyon on the Snake river.

Neuberger said the administration's handling of natural resources was "going to be one of the major issues, if not the major issue, of the 1956 campaign."

James H. Duff (R-Pa.) countered that the administration is taking the position that the government should not do what the public can do for itself.

Decision Reversal Seen

Morse predicted that foes of private power development of Hells Canyon will overturn the FPC after a long court fight. He said an appeal will be made for an FPC rehearing, but forecast that what he called the "rigged" commission will continue to rule against public power development of the Snake river.

Baker—(U.P.)—The Hells Canyon Development Association has appealed to the State Hydroelectric Commission to refuse an application by Idaho Power Company to build three low dams on the Snake river.

The appeal was issued by Albert Ullman of Baker, president of the association. Applications by the company for the dams, which would be located at the Idaho-Oregon border, were pending before the commission.

MEETING POSTPONED

The regular meeting of the Medford planning commission set for tonight has been postponed until Monday night, Aug. 15, because of the death yesterday of Mrs. Bertha May Wray, wife of Commission Chairman M. T. (Tom) Wray.

Heat Wave in East States Broken by Thundershowers

By UNITED PRESS
Thundershowers broke the back of a scorching heat wave in the East today. But the price was high.

Accompanying storms killed at least 12 persons, terrorized coastal dwellers and cut power lines.

In Albuquerque, N.M., meanwhile, heavy rains sent roaring flash floods into residential lowlands and chased 25 persons from their homes. The residents were still digging out from under a million dollar flood which struck when similar rains fell last week.

Temperatures Drop

The cool air spread southeastward into New England, the Middle Atlantic states and fringes of the deep south. Temperatures dropped from 10 to 20 degrees from the Northern

Trains Make Last Runs on Week End; Court Order Asked

Attorneys Conference Slated This Afternoon

Southern Oregon today was without railroad passenger service for the first time since the 1880s, when the old Oregon and California line was completed through here.

The Southern Pacific railroad, successor to the earlier line, Saturday night and Sunday conducted what they maintain will be the last runs of the Rogue River trains—Nos. 329 and 330—north from Ashland and south from Portland.

Earlier they had instructed station agents to accept Pullman reservations after Aug. 7, the scheduled end-of-service date, but on Saturday announced the trains would be discontinued as announced.

In Salem, State Public Utilities Commissioner Charles Heltzel today sought a court order to force the SP to resume the service. Circuit Judge Val D. Sloper, in whose court the action is to be filed, called a conference for this afternoon for attorneys from the PUC and the railroad.

Announcement of SP's plan to discontinue rail passenger service was made by the company on July 7, after months of rumors and denials concerning the plan. The announcement was greeted by immediate protests from organizations, individuals, and newspapers, and the state senators from Jackson, Josephine and Douglas counties filed a formal complaint with Heltzel, asking him to order the SP not to continue service, but to improve it.

Heltzel's order for the SP to continue service pending a hearing was based on the senators' complaints. The order was ignored by the SP in stopping the trains. The railroad maintains the commissioner does not have authority to order continuance of service, without a hearing, although it has granted he does have the authority to order resumption of service after it has been stopped.

Among the protests against ending of the service has been that of organized labor. The Oregon State Federation of Labor, at its recent convention here, approved a strongly-worded protest to the action.

Today, Myrtle M. Merriman of the Medford Central Labor Council reported that he has been named as a committee of one to do what he can on behalf of the council to enforce the passenger service to be resumed.

Merriman pointed out that the council's action is based on its concept of civic responsibility, and that it is hoped the SP can be forced either to "give back the service" which it has gradually eliminated over the years, or be forced to open its tracks to common use by other rail carriers, who could provide the service.

Merriman declared that the railroad has "not kept its bargain" made in the days when it received alternate sections of land in Oregon as a subsidy for construction of the rails, a bargain which gave it exclusive rights in this area with an obligation to provide adequate service.

The union spokesman also said that if through service, Portland to San Francisco, were provided on this line, it would be just as profitable as that over the Natron line completed in 1928, and pointed out that populous southern Oregon would provide more patronage, if this were still a through line, than does the section east of the mountains.

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