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Weather

FORECAST: Cloudy Sunday morning, clearing by noon. Fair and breezy Sunday afternoon; partly cloudy Monday. Cooler both days. High Sunday 75; low Monday 45; High Monday 78. Temp. Highest yesterday 86. Lowest yesterday morning 48.

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Big California Fire Threatening Timber In Southern Oregon

All forest and brush fires in Jackson county were out or being mopped up Saturday, but a major fire just over the border in California was threatening to break over into Oregon.

However, radio reports from the fire Saturday evening reported the situation as "fairly good," according to S. T. Moore, fire control officer for the Rogue River National forest. The fire control officer for the Klamath National forest was optimistic about getting the fire under control today.

Work on Firebreaks

Jack Wood, supervisor of the Rogue River National forests, said Saturday morning that crews and bulldozers were working to complete a line of firebreaks along the summit of the Siskiyou mountains, which generally is the dividing line between the Rogue River and Klamath National forests.

The threatening blaze covers some 20,000 acres north of the Klamath river, and actually is a northerly extension of the huge Haystack fire which at one time got within five miles of Yreka.

The fire Saturday was burning on a divide south of Dead Cow and Beaver creeks, with the northern fireline about 2 1/2 miles from the Rogue River forest border at Condy mountain and about 4 or 4 1/2 miles from the Oregon border. At mid-afternoon Saturday, forest service sources indicated there had been no material change in the firelines.

Top Men To Arrive

J. Herbert Stone, regional forest fire control officer, both of Portland, were to arrive by Forest Service plane at Medford airport Saturday afternoon to observe progress of the battle, but smoke conditions prevented the plane from landing. They returned to Portland.

Fire weather remained "severe" Saturday, and Wood reported the situation as "ticklish." The worst he'd observed since the time of the Tillamook fire in northwestern Oregon. Humidities, however, were slightly higher than earlier in the week.

The main body of the threatening fire lies in the Beaver creek drainage, Wood reported. Men and equipment were working on all sides of the fire, but it was far from being contained early Saturday, Wood said.

Lines Constructed

The work being done from the Rogue River forest side Friday and Saturday was the construction of lines generally along the border between the two forests, which coincides with the Siskiyou divide. The lines were built so that, if the fire "blows up" toward the north, the crews will be ready to backfire without danger to timber further north.

About six miles of line in all were constructed, three of them in the vicinity of Donomore Meadows where the forest border crosses from California to Oregon, and three more in the Siskiyou gap area of Oregon. Elsewhere along the line, glades break the solid stands of timber.

The 900-acre Sterling mountain fire, which was controlled earlier this week, lies in the area threatened from the south by the bigger fire. Rogue River forest crews, which had been fighting the northern perimeter of the smaller fire, Friday night took over the entire fireline with about 80 men to free Klamath forest crews for work on the other blaze. The Sterling mountain fire is about 11 miles due west of Highway 99 on both sides of the state border.

Lindstedt reported Saturday that all fire on national forest land in Region 6 (Oregon and Washington) were under control, and Ted Maul, district warden for the state forestry department, said all fires in state-protected lands in Jackson and Josephine counties were in "good shape."

Cooperation Praised

Wood reported Saturday morning that cooperation from all sources during the fire emergency of the past week has been "magnificent." Supervisory personnel who usually direct fire operations, were so busy with coordination of the work on 53 separate fires, that district rangers were placed in charge of most blazes, and given authority for independent action.

Among non-forest agencies participating in the fight the past few days have been amateur radio operators, who have operated forest service radio equipment as well as their own, in

maintaining communications with the fire camps.

Operating in relays, they have kept open main stations in Medford, Grants Pass, and along the Siskiyou summit, using forestry equipment and some of their own mobile units. About 20 "hams" of the area have participated, several of them working around the clock.

Other hams the full length of the Pacific Coast have been monitoring the frequencies used to warn other amateurs to leave the emergency bands free.

Getting Upper Hand

Meanwhile, elsewhere in fire-blackened Siskiyou county, firefighters were gradually beginning to get the upper hand on the huge fires which have burned tens of thousands of acres of trees and brush in the past week, destroying cabins and homes, and at one time threatening Yreka with spot fires from flying embers.

Klamath National forest officials Saturday advised that control of the big Haystack-Red Mountain fire was expected by Saturday evening. The Kidder creek and Scott valley fires were to have been controlled Saturday, barring unexpected developments, and the Taylor creek fire in the Salmon river district was being held and was considered under control.

The Six-Mile fire, also along the Salmon river, had grown to 4,500 acres Saturday morning, and control of it is not expected before Monday.

The East Fork fire in the Happy Camp district is under control, and men were being released from it for work elsewhere Saturday.

Colorado Girl Nabs Title Honors; Miss Oregon in Top Five

Portland — (U.P.) — The disappointed father of the girl who came in second in the Miss America contest said Saturday night "I think maybe Dorothy went into this contest a little too soon."

Gust Johnson, father of beautiful runner-up Dorothy Johnson, explained "if she had had a year or two of college she'd have won."

Atlantic City, N.J. — (U.P.) — Sharon Way Ritchie of Colorado became the new Miss America tonight. The pretty 18-year-old Auburn-haired girl won over the other 48 contestants.

Others in the top five were Miss Oregon, Dorothy Johnson, Miss Oklahoma, Ann Campbell; Miss North Carolina, Clara Arnold; and Miss Chicago, Florence Gallagher.

The pretty new beauty queen of the nation not only won the title, but also a small fortune in prizes, a chance to make an estimated \$80,000 in her year-long reign and probably a movie contract.

Has Dramatic Hopes
Miss Ritchie hopes to be a dramatic star. In the talent contest last night, she did a dramatic reading of "The Murder of Lidice" by Edna St. Vincent Millay. She hopes to study at the famed Pasadena Playhouse, marry a good-looking man, and have children.

But the marriage will have to wait at least a year, under the terms of the contest.

She said to the nearly 19,000 persons present and to the millions of others on television that "I just can't tell you how much I appreciate this honor. All I can do is thank God for giving me the ability to get where I am."

Security Guarantees To Russia Considered

Washington — (U.P.) — The United States Saturday was considering several security guarantees to be offered to Soviet Russia in exchange for agreement on German unification.

Openly pessimistic of getting even a tiny move toward unification at the Russian-German talks currently underway in Moscow, American officials look to the Big Four Foreign Ministers meeting in Geneva Oct. 27.

Soviet officials gave what amounted to a brusque brush-off to Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's plea in Moscow for quick steps toward German re-unification.

Ike Gives Rousing Pep Talk, But No Hint of Own Plans

GOP State Chairmen Hear Talk in Denver

Denver — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower told Republican state chairmen Saturday they should not pin their flag too "tightly to one mast" but most of the GOP leaders appeared confident he would run again in 1956.

Mr. Eisenhower, in a rousing pep talk at a breakfast here with the party chieftains, otherwise gave no hint of his plans for next year.

Don't Depend on One

"We don't believe for a minute that the Republican party is so lacking in inspiration, high quality personnel and leadership that we are dependent on one man," Mr. Eisenhower told the 50 state and territorial GOP leaders. "We don't believe it for a moment."

"As long as we have a man in the leadership position, why of course as a party we are going to be loyal," he said.

Then he added: "But humans are frail — and they are mortal. Finally, you never pin your flag so tightly to one mast that if a ship sinks you cannot rip it off and nail it to another."

Believe Ike Will Run

Despite the President's brief and unrevealing reference to his own plans, most of the state chairmen appeared certain he would be a candidate for re-election.

National Republican party chairman Leonard W. Hall, who met with the President briefly after the breakfast session with the state chairmen, said he was more convinced than ever that Mr. Eisenhower will be a candidate to succeed himself next year.

"I have proceeded always on the assumption that the President is going to be a candidate," Hall said. "I am going away from here strengthened in my previous assumption that he is going to be a candidate again."

Air Force Bomber Crashes into Sea

Naha, Okinawa — (U.P.) — The U.S. Air Force said Saturday that a B-29 bomber, missing for two days with 13 airmen aboard, crashed in the East China sea area Thursday night.

The Air Force said the fate of the plane was determined with the positive identification of an unopened parachute fished from the sea as belonging to the missing craft.

No survivors have been found in a two-day search over a 20,000 square-mile expanse of ocean, Air Force officials said.

The Air Force said for the first time the Superfortress "crashed Thursday evening" shortly after it radioed its last message.

The U.S. bomber disappeared at sea 200 miles east of Formosa while on a routine training mission. Its last radio message fixed its position but reported no trouble.



WINS FIRST QUIZ — Mrs. Robert J. Pfaff, 647 Laurel st., Central Point, is the winner of the first in the series of current events quizzes, being conducted by the Mail Tribune in connection with its annual Bargain Days event. She is shown being presented with a one-year free subscription to the Mail Tribune by her carrier, Martin Gilkey. The Pfaffs have been subscribers to the Mail Tribune for 13 years. Mrs. Pfaff reports this is the first contest she has ever won. She called on her husband and five children for assistance in solving the quiz questions, and after seven hours, turned in a perfect score. Bargain Days will continue through Sept. 19, and by subscribing for a full year, readers can save \$2.50 from the regular subscription price, equal to two full months at regular rates. — (Landis-Shangle photo)

Re To Free U.S. Civilians Adenauer, Russians Clash



MOSCOW GREETING—Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin (left) welcomes West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer to Moscow for five days of talks aimed at establishing diplomatic relations. Adenauer flew in to discuss unification of Germany and the release of 200,000 German prisoners as part of his terms for dealing with Russia.

28 Congressmen Get Visas for Visits in Russia, Embassy Says

Washington — (U.P.) — The Soviet embassy revealed Saturday that more than 28 members of Congress have been given visas to visit Russia in an unprecedented movement of American lawmakers behind the iron curtain.

A spokesman said 11 senators and 17 representatives had applied for and received visas from the embassy here. Many others, he said, received visas from Soviet embassies in Europe.

Most On Record

The embassy told the United Press that more congressmen have been given permission to travel in Russia this year than ever before. It apparently is part

Sports Bulletins

Medford high drove 83 yards to a touchdown in the final fourth quarter to break a 6 to 6 deadlock and tip Cleveland of Portland 12 to 6, here last night in the opening football game of the season for both schools. Dave Bosworth punched 1 1/2 yards for the score. Bosworth also went the final six inches for Medford's other touchdown in the first quarter. Dave Graham charged 16 yards for Cleveland's tally in the second period.

Portland — (U.P.) — The Oakland Oaks shut out the Portland Beavers 3-0 in a Pacific Coast League ball game Saturday night to take a 2-1 edge in their series with the Bevos.

Arms Talks Appear Near Deadlock as Reds Level Charge

United Nations, N.Y. — (U.P.) — The United Nations talks on disarmament appeared Saturday to be heading for a deadlock, and the Soviet delegate accused the Western powers of trying to sabotage them.

The Soviet charge was contained in a broadcast by the Soviet news agency Tass. It said Soviet delegate Arkadi Sobolev had accused the Western representatives of having "in essence repudiated everything that has been done by the subcommittee earlier."

No Agreement

The disarmament subcommittee, made up of representatives of the United States, Britain, Canada, France and Russia, adjourned Friday until next Tuesday with no sign of even small agreement between the Soviet and Western positions.

British Minister of State Anthony Nutting said Russia had not budged from its demand for acceptance of the Kremlin's May 10 disarmament proposals, already described by the West as "inadequate."

Speeches made by delegates during the two-week-old session have been "secret" but Tass broadcast excerpts from a speech Wednesday by Sobolev.

Moroccans to Get More Independence

Paris — (U.P.) — The French government has decided to give Morocco a large measure of independence under a new pact safeguarding vital French interests in the protectorate, it was announced Saturday.

General of the Army Georges Catroux, special government envoy, said France plans to raise Morocco to the status of a "modern state."

He said a new treaty would be signed establishing an "interdependence" between Morocco and France, safeguarding the latter's economic, strategic, cultural and diplomatic interests.

Catroux's statement clearly implied the new treaty would supersede the 1912 pact establishing France's protectorate in Morocco.

Booming Business Expected to Continue

Washington — (U.P.) — Economists in and out of the government predicted Saturday that business will keep on booming even if the administration succeeds in balancing the budget.

They said a balanced budget can sometimes put a dent in a boom because it takes a lot of government spending out of circulation. But they predicted interviews that wiping out the present relatively small deficit will have little or no effect on the current unprecedented economic activity.

Chancellor Recalls Soviet Atrocities During Recent War

Moscow — (U.P.) — A charge by Chancellor Konrad Adenauer that Soviet troops committed atrocities in Germany in World War II touched off a bitter clash Saturday between West German and Soviet leaders that deadlocked their Moscow negotiations.

The grim-faced 79-year-old chancellor made the accusation directly before the Soviet top leaders in a stormy three and one-half hour session of their conference.

Remark "Offensive"

Soviet Communist party leader Nikita S. Khrushchev snapped back that Adenauer had made an "offensive remark" and the meeting broke off in an exchange of name-calling.

In an attempt to break the deadlock and erase the bitter feelings of the morning's exchange, Adenauer invited Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin to an urgent man-to-man talk Saturday afternoon in his country villa outside Moscow.

Officials of both nations took off their diplomatic kid gloves in a second-day session of the conference that was also highlighted by these developments:

Other Developments

1. Bulganin flatly turned down Adenauer's demands for release of German war prisoners in the Soviet Union. He said the "so-called" POWs were really "war criminals."

2. The Soviet premier told Adenauer German reunification was not possible "in the near future" because of West German membership in NATO and the Western European Union. He said there was no point in further negotiations if the chancellor tried to negotiate "from a position of strength."

3. Adenauer told the Russians he is not prepared to reach immediate agreement with the Soviet Union on an exchange of ambassadors.

Appears Deadlocked
The conference appeared deadlocked — at least temporarily with no success so far in bridging the enormous gap between the Soviet and West German positions. Today's formal session ended with no set plans for a new meeting.

By evening, however, ruffled feelings had calmed considerably after the West German delegation and the Soviet leaders attended a masterful performance of Sergei Prokofiev's ballet "Romeo and Juliet" at the Bolshoi theater.

Petitions Protest McKay's Labor Policies in Salem

Denver — (U.P.) — Two husky Secret Service agents Saturday prevented AFL machinists from handing President Eisenhower a printed copy of a petition protesting labor policies of Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay in his Salem, Ore., Chevrolet agency.

However, the union men said, they already had sent Mr. Eisenhower a copy of the petition by special delivery Friday night.

Several members of the International Association of Machinists gathered in the hallway outside the Brown Palace hotel private dining room where Mr. Eisenhower had breakfast with Republican state chairmen. They handed copies of the

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It was emphasized that the negotiations do not mean that the United States is recognizing the Peiping government.

But officials in Washington, commenting on the agreement, said it almost certainly will lead to a further relaxation of tension between the United States and Red China.

Longshoremen Defy Back To Work Order

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Oregon To Receive Lilly Polio Vaccine
Indianapolis — (U.P.) — Eli Lilly & Company has announced 46,872 doses of Salk anti-polio vaccine have been shipped by air to Oregon for distribution through commercial channels.