

Lone Heads Out To Sea; East Coast Spared

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Weather

FORECAST: Fair tonight. Slightly cooler Wednesday with variable cloudiness. Low tonight 50. High Friday 72-75. Temp. Highest Yesterday 80. Lowest this Morning 51.

State Voids Orchard Tree Assessments

Technicalities in Procedure Given as Cause of Action

Commission Hearings Expected Next Week

The Oregon state tax commission has declared void assessments on Jackson county commercial orchard trees because of procedure technicalities followed by the county board of equalization.

The action followed review of petitions filed with the commission by local fruit growers, who claimed the attempted assessment was arbitrary, capricious, discriminatory and unjust. The orchardists claimed that values assigned were unreasonable and arbitrarily fixed at uniform and fictitious rates.

Hearings Planned

Petitions also alleged that they were not notified the required number of days. The commission declared the assessments void on the basis that "the board shall not increase the assessed valuation of any property on the assessment roll without giving the person... at least five days notice to appear and show cause... why the assessed valuation... shall not be increased."

County Judge Rodney Keating said today the tax commission will hold hearings, probably starting early next week, to review assessments on orchard trees. A representative from the commission's clerical department is preparing a list of orchardists who will receive notices of hearing, Keating said.

Meeting Slated

Keating said he expected to meet with a representative of the commission today in order to determine fully what action would be taken by the commission. He pointed out, however, the representative here was from the clerical office only, and had no authority to speak for the commission.

Notices being sent to orchardists include the former assessed valuation in addition to the increased valuation. Keating said he understood the increased rate would include \$300 per acre on class A orchards, and \$225 on class B orchards. The figures previously were determined by tax commission appraisers.

Keating said he believed tax commission representatives would hear orchardists objecting to increases in an attempt to show why increases should not be made.

Orchard trees were assessed by County Assessor Robert Fowler upon order from the board of equalization. Notices of the assessments were received by fruit growers about July 23. Prior to that, the tax commission ordered the board of equalization to place on tax rolls orchard tree assessments, but the board replied that it would be physically impossible to make a fair and just appraisal before the June 16 deadline.

Several meetings between tax commission representatives, the county board of equalization and assessor were held, and on June 17 an extension of time until Aug. 15 was granted by the commission to make assessments.

The board directed that tax commission figures be used in making assessments upon suggestion by Samuel B. Stewart, tax commission member and secretary of the group. Stewart outlined possible plans for assessing orchard trees with the board of equalization.

Petitions contested the legality of the assessment. Tax commission attorneys who reviewed the procedure followed by the county found that the required notice was not given.

The commission further ordered that "petitions for review of each petitioner be dismissed to allow the board of equalization of Jackson county to properly review the increases in assessed valuations of commercial orchard properties."

Peron Goes in Exile On Paraguay Boat



PERON RESIGNS—Gen. Franklin Lucero (left) Argentine Army Minister shown here with President Peron prior to the start of the latest Argentine revolt. Lucero says Peron decided to resign in the face of a threat against the welfare of the nation.

Leaders of Revolt Negotiate With Military Group

Lucero Said Hiding In Uruguay Embassy

Buenos Aires (U.P.)—Argentine warships blocked former President Juan D. Peron's attempt to flee into exile aboard a Paraguayan gunboat today and rebel commanders threatened to renew the civil war.

Buenos Aires (U.P.)—President Juan D. Peron, ousted by a successful revolt against his nine-year rule as dictator, headed for exile in Paraguay today. The Paraguayan ambassador to Argentina escorted Peron aboard the Paraguayan gunboat Paraguay at 8 a.m. today.

The former President left to go into exile even as leaders of the revolt negotiated with a 13-man military committee to restore peace to this country.

Paraguayan Ambassador Juan Chaves accompanied Peron on board the gunboat. Then he re-

turned ashore in Buenos Aires. He returned to the vessel later with food and other supplies for Peron's personal comfort because of lack of adequate facilities on board.

In Uruguay Embassy
A diplomatic source said that former Army Minister Gen. Franklin Lucero had taken refuge in the Uruguayan Embassy here.

It was Lucero who asked the rebels to start cease fire talks yesterday, and who later broadcast Peron's offer to resign over the official state radio. Lucero resigned shortly afterward, along with the rest of Peron's supporters in the government.

Diplomatic sources said that judicially Peron's status aboard the Paraguay, which is a foreign ship, was the same as taking asylum in a Foreign Embassy. The quarters said the warship is considered extraterritorial ground under the terms of international law.

Diplomatic quarters reported meanwhile that a number of airplanes were waiting at the big Ezeiza International Airport to take a large number of important members of the Peron regime to Asuncion, capital of Paraguay.

Offer To Negotiate
The committee offered to negotiate with the revolutionary leaders "to seek pacification in order to avoid useless bloodshed among brothers."

It also shook up the security system, naming new heads of federal police, national guard, marines and the Coast Guard.

Both sides emphasized that hostilities only had been "suspended" pending the outcome of negotiations.

But for the 13-man committee it seemed an empty gesture. Revolutionary leaders negotiated under the comfortable safety of their naval guns which still pointed menacingly at Buenos Aires and the valuable oil installations in nearby Eva Peron (La Plata). From throughout the country came reports of former loyalist leaders surrendering to the victorious rebels.

Progress of the negotiations remained secret.

Los Angeles (U.P.)—A judge has continued to Oct. 10 a hearing on a paternity suit against the husband of Peruvian singer Yma Sumac.

Communist China Releases Two More Yank Missionaries

Women 8th and 9th To Be 'Deported'

Hong Kong (U.P.)—Two American women missionaries crossed the border to freedom from Communist China today. They said they were so suspicious of their jailers they were almost afraid to accept Red Cross packages.

The missionaries, both Presbyterians who were kept in the same jail for 4½ years, were Sarah Perkins, 63, of New York City and Dorothy Middleton, 42, Cicero, Ill. They taught in leper colonies.

They were the 8th and 9th Americans the Communists announced on Sept. 11 would be "deported" before "expiration of their terms." Almost all the Americans were charged with some form of "espionage." The two women were charged with "sabotage."

The 10th, Dilmus T. Kanady of Houston, Tex., a Shanghai businessman sentenced to 4½ years by the Reds, was expected at the border Wednesday.

They were the first ten of 41 Americans in Red China listed by the Peiping regime for immediate freeing under terms of an agreement worked out in Geneva conferences. Reports from Shanghai today said some other Americans were making plans to leave soon.

The reports said 10-year-old Emma Angelina Barry, the daughter of an American, would leave Sept. 23 by ship with her mother, a White Russian and not an American citizen. Robert Howard Parker, 82, a retired businessman originally from Philadelphia, will leave at the same time with his Chinese wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard (Cappy) Ricks were reported making arrangements to sail directly from Shanghai to Japan where Ricks has a firm. Their date of departure was not known.

Eve Stella Dugay, 62, (Sister Theresa), a Catholic nun and a native of New York, is expected to leave in October.

Mrs. Juanita Huang, 51, a native of Mount Olive, Miss., and a Southern Baptist missionary married to a Chinese, was expected to leave "as soon as she winds up her affairs."

Nothing was known in Shanghai about Mrs. Nadesha M. Romanoff and her daughter, Irene, 15, still in Harbin, Manchuria. Mrs. Romanoff is a naturalized American.

Supplies Shuttled To Stricken City

Tampico, Mex. (U.P.)—Government transport planes, shuttling food and medical supplies from Mexico City, began swarming in at dawn today bringing the first aid to this flooded port city of 160,000 since hurricane Hilda smashed through Sunday night.

There were 37 known dead and more than 300 injured in and around Tampico in the wake of the storm, with the casualty toll still mounting and 90 per cent of the port city reported destroyed or damaged.

Tamaulipas State Gov. Norcilio Teran has requisitioned all vehicles for rescue operations and all private homes were 15,000 homeless will be housed.

Mexican Air Force pilots reported the whole region flooded by the big Panuco river and five-foot tides from the Gulf of Mexico were a "vast sea of rusty water covering tens of thousands of acres."

They said three-fourths of the stricken city was covered with water and the floating wreckage of smashed houses. An estimated 60 per cent of Tampico suffered heavy damage.

Bulletin

United Nations, N. Y.—(U.P.)—The United Nations General Assembly today shelved, by a 42-12 vote, any consideration during this session of Russia's proposal to oust Nationalist China and seat the Chinese Reds.

Storm Expected To Continue Path For Next 12 Hours

Hurricane Warnings Along Coast Lowered

Norfolk, Va.—(U.P.)—Hurricane Ione swept "well out to sea" today and the Weather Bureau said the East Coast was out of danger barring a sudden and "radical" change of course.

A Weather Bureau advisory said Ione was centered about 210 miles east of Norfolk, and heading toward the open Atlantic at about 20 miles an hour. It said the storm is expected to continue heading east or east northeast for the next 12 hours, a course that would "carry it well to the east and south" of Nantucket Island, Mass.

Radical Change Needed
Conrad P. Mook, meteorologist in charge of the Emergency Warning Center in Washington, told reporters that it would take a "radical change of course" within the next two or three hours for Ione to present any threat whatever to the East Coast.

Even that theoretical threat should be erased by late afternoon if the storm continues on its present course, he said.

The Weather Bureau lowered all hurricane warnings along the coast.

Ione had lost much of its punch before it put out to sea. Millions in Damage
But before swerving out to sea during the night, it struck savagely through North Carolina and Virginia coastal areas, leaving at least two dead and "tens of millions of dollars" of damage in its wake.

For anxious hours, it appeared that the storm, which packed 100-mile an hour winds as it came ashore, would continue its destructive course up the East Coast. Heavily populated New York and Southern New England were alerted to stand by for a hard blow.

But the anticipated worst never came. Ione, after churning around off Norfolk most of the night, set off almost due east toward the wide open spaces of the Atlantic.

Morse Asks Review Of Smith Problem

Washington (U.P.)—Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), said yesterday he would ask Sen. James Murray, chairman of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to review carefully the Smith river burn timber problem in Oregon.

Morse's statement expressed concern as to whether the Bureau of Land Management had a program for effectively salvaging O&C timber in the Smith river drainage of the Oregon Coast range.

Morse said it was his understanding that the Bureau of Land Management "has spent \$6,000,000, which is over three-fourths of the access road money appropriated by Congress, put a high grade timber access road system into the Smith river burn."

But Morse said he was concerned because under area marketing rules now in effect, the timber may be available for only one company. He proposed that the salvage timber be allowed to move to any mill that could buy it, without regard for the market area.

Omaha, Neb.—(U.P.)—Some 20 key members of the National Civil Defense Advisory council opened a two-day series of discussions today at the headquarters of the Strategic Air Command.



HURRICANE ALERT—Hurricane Ione causes high winds and water as it bore down on Portsmouth, Va. This member of a local boat club ties down small craft as water crashes over dock.

Search Fails To Find San Francisco Infant Taken From Hospital

San Francisco (U.P.)—A mass search of a 30-block area around Mount Zion hospital failed today to turn up any clue to the whereabouts of a three-day-old baby stolen from the hospital nursery.

Nearly 300 police officers took part in the search. They had orders to "go beyond the call of duty," if necessary, to find

little Robert Marcus.

But the mass questioning of householders failed to uncover any clue to the infant's whereabouts and it had to be given up.

Police officials then switched headquarters for the search from the hospital to the Hall of Justice. Several FBI agents were assigned to help in the search.

Officers guarded all exits from the city, including San Francisco International Airport. Meanwhile, the heartbroken father, Dr. Sanford Marcus, 34, remained at the hospital to comfort his distraught wife, who gave birth to the baby Sept. 17. He had a cot placed in her room.

He pleaded with the kidnaper to return his son to the hospital as soon as possible. He promised he "will not sign a complaint or prosecute" if the child is returned unharmed.

The kidnaper was believed to be a blonde in her mid 30s. "I feel that this was done by a lonely woman... one who was lonely for a child and went to the most obvious place to get one," Marcus said.

He asked newspapers and radio stations to relay a message from him and his wife, Hanna, 29, that they want their baby back. "Tell her I am not vindictive. We are not angry... I know she is someone who loves children, but we love our children too."

"My wife is completely broken up. I had to give her a sedative... within our ability we will refrain from punishing her if she will bring our baby back unharmed."

Mount Zion hospital offered a \$1,000 reward for information leading to recovery of the child.

Planners Recommend Loading Dock Approval

The planning commission late yesterday recommended to the city council that Albers Milling company be granted a request to encroach on Evergreen st. The company plans construction of a railroad loading dock.

The commission also called for a public hearing on a request from James H. Clabby for a change of set back at the corner of Eighth and Laurel sts. The hearing will be held Oct. 3.

Tentative approval was given a subdivision plan submitted by the Rogue Valley Land company. The subdivision is off Barnett rd.

150 UMC Workers Attend 'Kick-Off' of Annual Fund Drive; Leaders Confident

More than 150 persons who will be active in the United Methodist Crusade this year gathered for the fund drive's "kick-off" dinner at the YMCA last night.

M. M. Huggins, campaign chairman, told them he is confident the goal of \$109,000 can be met, and that he is hopeful of going over the total, up to \$115,000 or more, to build up a backlog of funds for any possible emergency use.

Four Reasons

Huggins explained that there are four basic reasons for a united fund drive. The first is that it eliminates constant solicitation, the year around, for separate organizations, each of which is worthy of support. There are 24 groups which receive funds from the UMC, Huggins said.

The second reason is that it saves campaign costs, the third is that it saves manpower, and

the fourth is that it gets the job done and does it well, Huggins declared.

Can't Duck Problems

John Dellenback, the principal speaker, had as his topic "Life in a Vacuum," in which he discussed the natural human desire to shun responsibility. But the problems are there and cannot be ducked successfully for long, Dellenback said. He suggested that the united fund drive is designed to make the solution of many of the problems easier for everyone.

Basically, Dellenback indicated, fund drives for health, character-building, welfare and recreational agencies are simply a way which mankind has devised to substitute his money for his own personal efforts, and he quoted Harry Emerson Fosdick's definition of a dollar:

"The dollar—man's personal energy reduced to portable form, endowed with powers he himself does not possess, enabled to go where he cannot reach, to life burdens he cannot touch, to save lives he never knew."

Others on Program

Other features of the program included music by a group of musicians led by John Drysdale and including Shirley Stafford, Myra Frohnmayer and John Lusk; a motion picture, "You and Your United Fund," shown by Chief Petty Officer Ted Werder of the Navy recruiting office here, and a torchlighting ceremony featuring Ray Konopasek of Boy Scout Troop 13.

Tri-Hi-Y girls served the food, which was provided by Acme Hardware, the U.S. National and First National banks, and Mann's department store. The dinner committee included Ray Sorensen, Tony Manno and Ken McDonald.

Bids Asked on Three Irrigation District Rehabilitation Jobs

Bid invitations have been issued by the bureau of reclamation office in Denver, Colo., for three rehabilitation projects in the Medford and Rogue River Valley Irrigation districts.

The projects are part of the rehabilitation program which includes work now being done at Fish and Four Mile lakes.

The Medford Irrigation district project includes construction of a 48-inch diameter concrete pipe siphon about 1,860 feet long across Bear creek and Medford canal rehabilitation. The work includes removing about 600 linear feet of existing eight-inch drain and replacing it with 12-inch drain.

Open Bids Oct. 27

Bids for the Medford work, which is situated near Phoenix, will be opened at 10 a.m. Oct. 27, at the Medford office of the bureau of reclamation on North Riverside ave.

Work in the Rogue River Valley Irrigation district includes construction of about 100 feet of 42-inch concrete pipe siphon at Antelope creek, and construction of about 700 feet of 42-inch pipe siphon and a wasteway at Bear creek. The work will replace a wooden flume across Bear creek.

The project, which is located

near Medford, also includes Hopkins canal rehabilitation. Bids for the project will be opened at 10 a.m. Oct. 25, at the Medford office of bureau of reclamation.

Third Project

The third bid invitation is for pipe lines, structures and main canal structures in both the Medford and Rogue River Valley Irrigation districts. The work is located east of Medford and includes construction of a reinforced-concrete bench flume replacing an existing metal flume, and construction of two concrete pipe siphons.

Bids on the latter project will be opened at 10 a.m. Nov. 1 in the bureau of reclamation office here.

The Denver office anticipated that specifications for the Rogue River Valley Irrigation district work will be available for mailing about Sept. 26; specifications for the Medford district work about Sept. 27; and specifications for work in both districts about Sept. 28.

Copies of standard forms and specifications may be obtained from L. N. McClellan, assistant commissioner and chief engineer, Denver, Colo.; H. T. Nelson, regional director, Boise, Idaho; and John L. Hatch, acting construction engineer, federal building on North Riverside ave., Medford.

Baseball

NATIONAL (First game)
Pittsburgh.....1 8 1
New York.....11 19 0
Law, Donoso (1), Waters (5) and Shepard; Antonelli (8) and Kait.

AMERICAN
New York.....6 12 1
Washington.....3 9 0
Larsen, Morgan (2), Konstanty (9) and Berra; McDermott, Pascual (2); Schmidt (8), Abernathy (9) and Fitzgerald.

Charlotte Ann Water To Be Off Briefly

Water service to a portion of the Charlotte Ann Water district will be shut off for about an hour tomorrow afternoon, district officials reported today.

Service south of Kim's restaurant to the end of the line will be interrupted at about 1:30 p.m. to enable workmen to cut in service to the new Bear Creek Orchards office building on Highway 99.

1955 Shrine Circus Opens; Shows Tonight, Wednesday

The annual Shrine-Polack Brothers circus opens today at the Medford high school stadium. The circus is sponsored by Hillah temple's Shrine clubs of Jackson and Josephine counties.

Today's opening performance, set for 3:30 p.m., will be followed by another show at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday performances will be at the same hours.

New Acts

Although this is the fourth annual Shrine-Polack Brothers circus to appear in Medford, this year's show is almost entirely different than its predecessors, according to L. C. (Les) Taylor, general chairman of the Shrine

circus committee.

Among the acts appearing here for the first time are Great Britain's Degenham Girl Pipers, Freya Josse, German aerial star; the Pallamades, head-balancing trapezists, and Rolando, young Swedish equilibrist.

Making Debut
Also making their circus debut this year are Ostermaier's trained goats, and Penny, the musical and acrobatic star of Tiebor's sea lions.

Among the favorites of previous years returning with this year's show are the Besalou Baby Elephants, and the Klausner family's bear act.