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WEATHER

FORECAST: Light rain beginning early Sunday morning; decreasing cloudiness with scattered showers Sunday afternoon and evening. Fog or low overcast Monday morning and cooler. High Sunday 58; low Monday morning 35; high Monday 52. Highest Yesterday 66. Lowest Yesterday Morning 45.

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Adlai Attacks GOP For Farm Program, Foreign Policies

Duluth, Minn. — (U.P.) — Adlai E. Stevenson attacked the Eisenhower administration Saturday night for following a "misleading" and elusive foreign policy and a "hollow" farm program.

Truman Points Up Dangers of War in Speech at Chicago

Chicago — (U.P.) — Former President Harry Truman said Saturday night "an atomic war is unthinkable," but "we may find ourselves in World War III sooner than we think unless a solution is found to disturbed conditions in the Middle East."

Raps Administration

He lashed out at the Republican administration for failing to take steps in the Middle East which would bring a halt to the bitter nationalistic rivalries.

"I am sorry that the people in Washington did not see fit to place the blame for the trouble between the Greeks and Turks where it belongs, and do something about it," Mr. Truman said before a meeting of the Federal Hellenic Societies of Illinois.

Greece and Turkey have been embroiled in a hot and cold war over the island of Cyprus, which seeks its independence from British rule.

"If something is not done we may find ourselves in World War III sooner than we think," he said.

Points to Russia

In an obvious reference to Russia, Mr. Truman said it was "a terrible thing that a country that may get us into World War III is supplying arms" to countries involved in the Middle East wrangle.

"Let's stop this now," he said. Mr. Truman said an atomic war is unthinkable because "there is no answer to the weapons of today, no defense against them, and all the great nations have them."

Mr. Truman, who met with Adlai Stevenson earlier in the afternoon, said he had "a wonderful day and a very pleasant talk with Gov. Stevenson," but again did not say whether he would back him for the 1956 nomination.

SATURDAY SCORES

- WEST Oregon 25, Idaho 0 Oregon State 13, Washington 7 UCLA 47, California 0 Stanford 34, San Jose State 18 Missouri 20, Colorado 12 COP 30, Washington State 0 SOUTHWEST Texas Christian 28, Baylor 6 Arkansas 7, Texas A&M 7 Texas 19, Southern Methodist 18 Oklahoma 40, Kansas State 7 MIDWEST Purdue 13, Illinois 0 Michigan 33, Iowa 21 Notre Dame 21, Navy 7 Ohio State 49, Northwestern 0 Michigan State 27, Wisconsin 0 Minnesota 25, Southern California 19 Nebraska 19, Kansas 14 SOUTH Clemson 19, Wake Forest 13 Maryland 27, South Carolina 7 Georgia 35, Alabama 14 Tennessee 48, North Carolina 7 Georgia Tech 27, Duke 0 Kentucky 20, Rice 16 Tulane 27, Auburn 13 Mississippi 29, LSU 26 EAST Yale 20, Dartmouth 0 Penn State 20, Pennsylvania 0 Miami (Fla.) 21, Pittsburgh 7 Army 27, Colgate 7

Mrs. Smith Weeps During Testimony; Denies Allegations

Tells of Receiving Call from Husband

McMinnville — (U.P.) — Mrs. Marjorie Smith wept on the witness stand Saturday as she told how she learned of her husband's death.

It was her second straight day on the stand in her first degree murder trial for the April 21 bomb-slaying of her husband, Portland attorney Kermit Smith.

Denies Conspiracy

Mrs. Smith testified flatly that (1) she had never conspired with Victor Laurence Wolf, 45-year-old electrician, to murder her husband, or that (2) she had never been intimate with Wolf.

The first she heard of the "accident" at Columbia-Edgewater Country club was when a reporter called her up. She said she "passed out" when she heard her husband had been blown up.

She testified that her husband had called her the night of the murder and said "I'll be home in 10 minutes."

"About 10 minutes to 12 I started getting worried," she said, and about five minutes later the phone call came. She said she called city and county police but learned nothing until she called the country club where the ruins of her husband's Buick were smoldering.

"I must have passed out," she said, sobbing. "I remember picking myself up off the floor."

Motion Approved

Circuit Judge Arlie C. Walker approved a motion by Prosecutor Willis West that a document concerning the criminal conviction of Thomas A. Marlin, a Sherwood, Ore., horsemeat packer, be eliminated from evidence.

Marlin had given evidence earlier that Mrs. Smith tried to engage him to drive a car for a man she had employed to murder her husband.

West said the document was misleading because Marlin was actually paroled and had never served any time for the crime.

Medford Chief Elected by OPCA

Medford Chief of Police Charles Champlin was elected president of the Oregon Police Chief's association at the League of Oregon Cities convention in Portland, Oct. 25.

Functions of the association include preparation of legislative matters; training programs for officers; and to further co-operation between the various police agencies, Champlin said.

The association is a section of the Oregon League of Cities organization.

Four Suspended at UO For Raid on Dormitory

Eugene — (U.P.) — University of Oregon officials said Saturday they have suspended four students in Thursday's raid on a women's dormitory.

Names of the students, who were suspended for the balance of the fall term, were withheld by Ray Hawk, associate director of student affairs.

Cooperation Asked During Halloween

"The youth of Medford have been very cooperative during the past few Halloween nights," Chief of Police Charles Champlin said Saturday.

Extra police officers, however, will be on duty during the night of Oct. 31 and residents are encouraged to report acts of vandalism promptly, he said.

Big 3 Asks Russia To Check Middle East War

Egyptian Troops Counter-Attack on Israeli Positions

Both Raids Repulsed With No Casualties

Jerusalem, Israel — (U.P.) — Egyptian troops supported by heavy artillery made two counter-attacks on advanced Israeli positions in the demilitarized Gaza zone Saturday.

Maj. Dan Gov, Israeli army spokesman, said both raids were repulsed with no Israeli casualties.

The attacks occurred at Nirim, one of the chain of small settlements along the explosive Gaza strip. They apparently were Egypt's answer to the lightning stab Israeli forces made five miles inside Egyptian territory Friday.

Egyptian military authorities in Cairo declined to comment on the Israeli reports of the Egyptian attacks.

Supported by Mortars Dan Gov said in Tel Aviv Egyptian forces in platoon strength attacked the Nirim positions in the early-morning darkness. They were supported by mortar and machinegun fire both times, he added.

Israeli forces managed to ward off the attacks in each instance, he said.

Israel lodged a complaint with the United Nations over the new flareup. A truce commission serving team went to the Gaza area to investigate.

So far, Egypt has not complained officially to the United Nations about Friday's Israeli raid on the Egyptian desert outpost at El Kuntilla, 40 miles south of El Aaja, a U.N. spokesman said.

Israel claimed 10 Egyptians were killed and 29 others captured in the 23-minute surprise raid. Egypt said that only five Egyptians were killed and that four Israelis died in an Egyptian counter-attack to recapture the fortress.

Ashland Resident Critically Injured

Paul Palmer, 649 East Main est., Ashland, was injured when he fell about 30 feet from a telephone pole in the Little Apple district about 2:20 p.m. Friday.

He has been taken by Medford Ambulance service to Sacred Heart hospital, where his condition was listed as critical.

TID Enjoined from Signing Agreement

The complaint says Buffington has "reasonable cause to believe" that, unless restrained by the court, a written agreement between Kent and the TID would be executed at the next meeting of the board, to be held Nov. 1.

Buffington claims that he and other landowners of the district "will be injured" if the proposed agreement is not restrained. He asks specifically that "any contract of concession heretofore entered" between Kent and the TID board, and the action of the board on Oct. 4, be declared void and of no effect; that the defendants be enjoined from executing any agreement or contract; that the minutes of the Oct. 4 meeting be corrected to reflect the facts as to what took place, and that the court order such other and further relief as appears just and equitable.

He asks that a temporary restraining order be issued pending the court's final decree. It was this order which was issued Saturday.

The complaint quotes Oregon Revised Statutes 545.092: "Interest of director or officer in contracts prohibited. No director or

any other officer named in the Irrigation District Act shall in any manner be interested in any contract awarded or to be awarded by the board, or in the profits to be derived therefrom."

It also claims that the minutes of the Oct. 4 meeting do not show what actually happened. The complaint says the minutes indicate "that the concession was approved by said board of directors 'with such proper safeguards for the district as might be added by the attorney,' and . . . that Kent 'would accept any changes or modification' of the agreement proposed by the district's attorney, Frank Farrell.

It adds, however, that "in reality there was no discussion of adding to the terms . . . any proper safeguards for the district . . . and there was no discussion of defendant R. M. Kent accepting any changes or modifications proposed" by the attorney. It was indicated Farrell was not present at the meeting.

Attached to the complaint was "Exhibit A," which Buffington says is a copy of the proposed agreement between the TID and Kent. The exhibit says forth that

President Endorses Benson's Farm Policy in Unusual Move

Ties GOP Firmly To Continuance of Flexible Supports

Ike Approves 6-Point Stepped-Up Program

Denver — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower Saturday in an unusual move from his sickbed endorsed the farm policies of Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson and firmly committed the administration to continuance of flexible rather than rigid price supports.

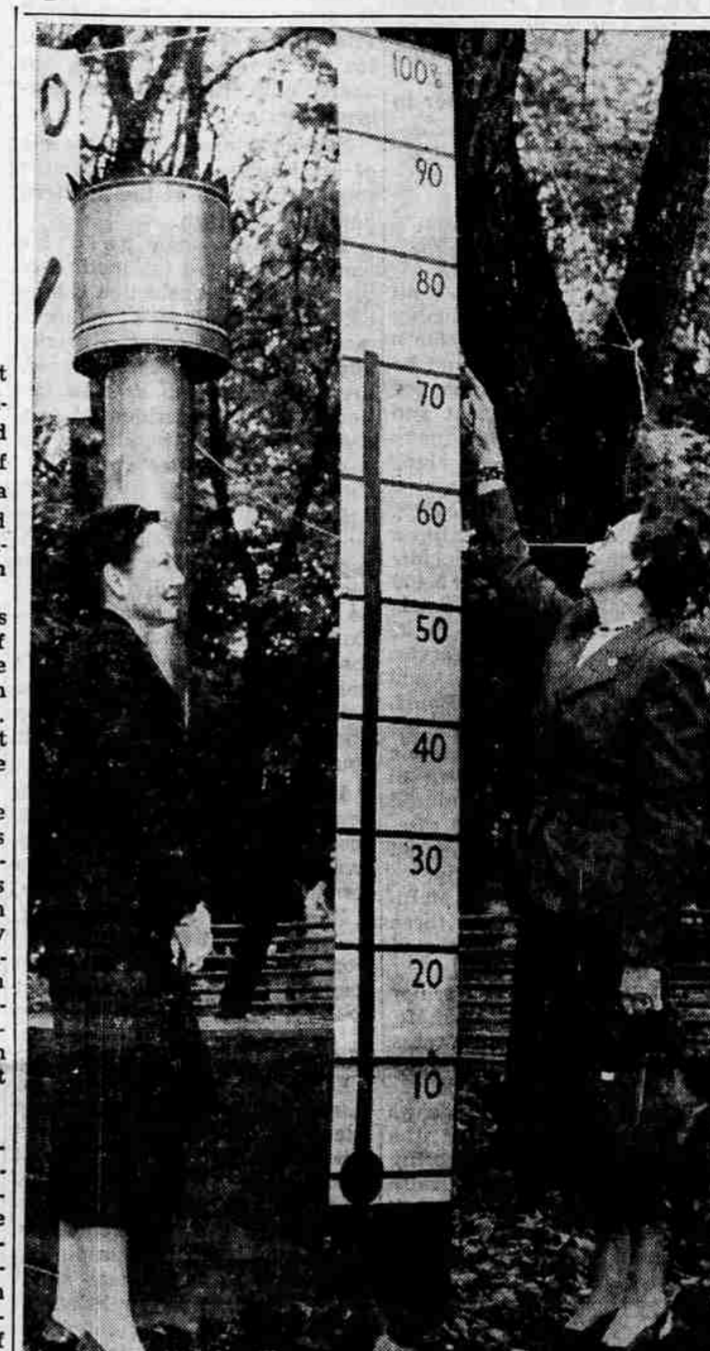
The President and members of his Denver white house staff underlined the fact that the chief executive expects Benson to remain in the cabinet and Mr. Eisenhower has 100 per cent confidence in his agriculture secretary.

Benson conferred with the President and Mr. Eisenhower's brother at Fitzsimons Army hospital for more than 30 minutes Saturday afternoon against an admitted background of largely Democratic criticism of administration farm policies. Also in the background was the statement by the Department of Agriculture Friday night that farm prices had dropped two per cent in the month ended Oct. 15.

In addition to issuing a statement approving Benson's policies and promising that the administration would not move backward in the field of agriculture, Mr. Eisenhower approved a six-point stepped-up farm program to cope with the sagging agricultural front. Much of the program will require legislation to be recommended by the President in a special message to congress next year.

It includes:

- 1. A stepped-up program of surplus disposal and expansion of exports.
2. A vigorous purchase program to remove market gluts wherever they occur and assist farmers in adjusting to market demands.
3. An enlarged program of soil conservation and incentive payments to divert cropland into grass, trees and forage.
4. Expand our rural development program for low income farm families.
5. A stepped-up program for research emphasizing lower cost of production, new uses for farm products, new crops and expansion of markets.
6. "Activity pushing forward the great plains program in co-operation with the 10 states involved."



PLAN HOME CRUSADE—The Home Crusade, the house-to-house division of the United Medford Crusade to raise funds for two dozen welfare, character-building and charitable agencies, will get under way Thursday, Nov. 3, after some six weeks of planning. Mrs. E. A. Littrell (left) and Mrs. Scott Davis are shown above indicating the present status of the collections in the \$109,000 goal of the UMC, which they hope to increase by \$3,500 through the efforts of the 300 women working under their direction. The Home Crusade is designed to provide those not solicited at work an opportunity to give. All workers in the division are volunteers. The sectional "majors" are Mrs. J. E. Collins, Mrs. Frank Van Dyke, Mrs. E. R. Hooper, Mrs. Raymond Reter and Mrs. Leonard Mayfield. —(Brainard photo.)

Coos DA Denies Any Evidence of Vice in North Bend Vicinity

North Bend — (U.P.) — Coos County District Attorney John J. Pickett said Saturday he had no evidence of prostitution or gambling in North Bend.

His statement followed a request to Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton from North Bend Mayor Irvin N. Hartley and Coos Bay Times publisher Sheldon Sackett that the attorney general investigate the city's municipal affairs.

Mayor Hartley asked for the investigation to quiet what he called "malicious attacks" by the Times, which has been campaigning to consolidate the two cities of North Bend and Coos Bay.

Sackett, in an open letter to his managing editor, Ken Johnson, said he was "pleased to note" that Hartley had issued the invitation which the publisher said he had suggested "a week ago."

Attorney General Thornton said he could investigate the city only if called on to do so by the county district attorney or at the direction of the governor.

Gov. Paul Patterson said he had received no request from North Bend and District Attorney Pickett said he did not intend to ask the attorney general for aid.

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Dulles Challenges Reds on Germany; Gets No Agreement

British Official Protests Arms Sale

Geneva — (U.P.) — The Western Big Three sought Russian cooperation in forestalling a threatened Middle East war Saturday. At the same time, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles challenged the Soviets on Germany.

The Big Four foreign ministers met for four hours but failed to reach any agreement on a cold war settlement in Europe. Behind the scenes there were indications that the ministers were more concerned with the Middle East crisis.

Meets With Molotov British Foreign Secretary Harold MacMillan met with Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov after the regular meeting. They were believed to have discussed mainly the Middle East situation agitated the past two days by violent flareups between Israel and Egypt.

Dulles, MacMillan, Molotov and French Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay ended the third session of the conference in a stalemate on Germany.

Molotov told the Western officials that representatives of both West and East Germany should be admitted to participation in the conference before the German reunification issue is taken up.

Hitting straight from the shoulder, Dulles told Molotov sitting opposite him in the palace of nations chamber "the Soviet proposals have taken no account of the new spirit."

"We still do not know what are the Soviet proposals on Germany," Dulles declared.

"It is not possible for the United States to take part in the security of Europe on the basis of a divided Germany."

The ministers concentrated the discussion on the rival "peace packages" of the East and West. When they were unable to make any progress, they decided that at their next session Monday they would switch temporarily to discussion of the third item on their agenda—increased East-West contacts.

The four-hour session was heavily overshadowed by war clouds looming in the Middle East.

In the first direct East-West contact outside the conference room, MacMillan took grim-faced Molotov aside for 40 minutes after the regular session ended.

Informed sources said the British foreign secretary protested against Communist arms sales to the Arab states and urged every effort should be made to prevent Egyptian-Israeli fighting from exploding into all-out war.

Informants said the Western officials had decided to approach Molotov informally on the Israeli-Arab crisis. It was believed they would ask Russia to call off the plan of Communist countries to sell arms to Egypt and perhaps other Arab nations.

\$12,870 Awarded To GP Resident

Portland — (U.P.) — A Multnomah County Circuit Court jury has awarded \$12,870 to Mrs. Thular B. Hammons of Grants Pass in her suit against Sheriff Terry D. Schunk and the Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland.

Mrs. Hammons had charged the Schrunks' failure to serve a summons within the prescribed time period caused a 1952 personal injury suit against Paul T. Bugg of Portland to be dismissed.

Her suit against Bugg was an outgrowth of a traffic accident in Grants Pass. The suit was dismissed by Josephine county circuit court on grounds it was outlived under the statute of limitations.

Mrs. Hammons charged Schunk held the summons more than 60 days without serving it. Witnesses for Schunk testified sheriff's officers tried repeatedly to serve the summons on Bugg without success.

Margaret, Townsend Meeting at Estate

Uckfield, England. — (U.P.) — Princess Margaret and Peter Townsend strolled affectionately hand-in-hand Saturday at a Sussex estate where they held their second country rendezvous of the past three weekends.

It was the first time since their controversial romance flowered that the couple had been seen to display affection. They did not know they were observed as they strolled across a frosted meadow.

Margaret and Townsend were meeting at Uckfield house, Country Manor of Lord Rupert Nevill in the Sussex Hills some 20 miles from England's south shore.

Their new tryst, after almost daily dates in London, strengthened speculation that a public announcement of their romantic future might be imminent, possibly early next week.

Sports Bulletins

Central Point—Illinois Valley defeated Jacksonville 47 to 0 here last night in a high school football game played on the Crater high field. Klamath Falls — Southern Oregon college of Ashland handed Oregon Technical Institute a 33 to 0 loss here Saturday night.