

WEATHER
FORECAST: Thickening cloudiness this afternoon. Rain in valley and snow in mountains above 3,500 feet by evening and continuing tonight. Showers and partial clearing Friday. Low tonight 40. High Friday 45.
Temp.
Highest Yesterday 50
Lowest this Morning 34
Prec. to 4:30 a.m. Today .06

Americans Abandon Cares To Observe Peaceful Holiday

By UNITED PRESS
Millions of Americans abandoned their workaday cares today and gathered close to home and family to celebrate a peaceful Thanksgiving.
The traditional Thanksgiving feast of turkey and all the trimmings lured Americans from all walks of life toward home, spurring holiday travel to expected record highs.
To many, the reasons for Thanksgiving were individual, personal joys. But President Eisenhower set the overall tone by calling on all Americans to give prayerful thanks "for the abundance of our endowments."
Crisp, clear weather covered most of the nation, with temperatures dipping below zero in some sections.
Cold air pushed eastward across the Midwest and Ohio Valley and plunged southward into the Gulf States from Texas to Alabama. Temperatures dipped below zero in Minnesota and North Dakota, while most of the Midwest reported readings in the 20s and 30s.
To the East and West, temperatures were in the 30s and 40s.
Holiday Rush
Homeward-bound travelers jammed rail, airline and bus facilities and crowded the highways with the usual holiday rush.
At least 30 persons had been killed in traffic accidents since the holiday got under way at 6 p.m. (local time) yesterday.
The most Americans, however, the emphasis was on home rather than travel.
President Eisenhower, recuperating from his heart attack, spent a quiet day at his Gettysburg farm, with Mrs. Eisenhower.

Medford Woman Injured in Accident

Mrs. Maxine Polski, 34, of 913 King st., was injured slightly in an automobile accident at the Big Y junction at 6:03 p.m. yesterday.
The accident involved vehicles driven by George Richard Polski, and Donald Robert Rominger, 40, route 2, box 246, Central Point.
The Polski car was going north on Highway 99 when it was struck by the Rominger vehicle traveling south on Highway 62, according to state police. A traffic signal post on the south side of the intersection was sheared off by one of the vehicles, police said.
Rominger was injured in Jackson county jail on a charge of being drunk on a public highway.
Mrs. Polski was taken to the Sacred Heart hospital by Medford ambulance service. She was treated for an injured ankle and released. Another passenger in the Polski car, Robert, 5, was not injured.

Dormitory Bomb Scare Said College Boy Prank

Ames, Ia.—(U.P.)—Panty raids are one thing. "Time bomb" scares are another.
That was the consensus of opinion among authorities today after learning that a "time bomb" scare in an Iowa State College girls' dormitory apparently was a college boy prank.
Authorities discovered yesterday that the home-made "time bomb" found in the dormitory last Sunday contained phony dynamite sticks fashioned from some unknown substance.
Bend.—(U.P.)—The Oregon Izaak Walton League will open its annual convention here tomorrow.

Bill Placing Brazil Under State of Siege For 30 Days Passed by Committee

Rio De Janeiro.—(U.P.)—The Senate Justice Committee today approved a House-passed bill to place Brazil under a state of siege for the next 30 days.
The vote in the Justice Committee was a close 6-5 in favor of the bill which was approved by the lower chamber in a marathon session early today and sent to the Senate.
Senate approval of the state of siege, a modified form of martial law, was considered certain. A final vote in the upper chamber was expected this afternoon or possibly tonight.
The move was taken at urging of the armed forces which feared elements loyal to ailing President Joao Cafe Filho would overthrow the legal government in an effort to prevent President-elect Juscelino Kubitschek from taking office Jan. 31.
Sen. Nereu Ramos, the acting president, placed the bill before a special session of the Chamber of Deputies Monday night and action was begun immediately. But opponents forced a delay by introducing a total of 39 amendments which had to be debated separately.
The Chamber of Deputies fi-

Portland Bank Robber Escapes In Rush Crowd

\$1019 Given Up by First National Teller

Portland.—(U.P.)—Police today searched for a man who robbed a teller at the main branch of the First National Bank of Portland of \$1019 shortly before closing time yesterday and escaped in the rush-hour crowd.
A suspect was taken into custody shortly after midnight today, but police later released him.
Just Lose Money
The robber entered the bank just before 5 p.m. and thrust a note demanding money at the teller, Mrs. Gertrude Dunford of Canby.
"I gave him just the loose money, not the bound bundles," she said.
Mrs. Dunford told police the man motioned for her to open some drawers but when she turned the man fled. She said he had put the money in a manila envelope.
What the robber left behind was some \$20,000 to \$30,000 in currency in bundles which was in Mrs. Dunford's cage.
Perry Miller of Vancouver, Wash., a clerk in the bank's note department, noticed something was wrong and followed the robber out and up S.W. 5th ave. to Washington st. When they reached Kelly's Olympian restaurant at 521 S.W. Washington, the bandit shoved Miller inside the door and told him to stay out of trouble.
Miller said he abandoned the chase. He told police the man was carrying a brown shopping bag.
Mrs. Dunford said she was not threatened with a gun. Miller also said he did not see a gun, but the man's gloved hand could have concealed a weapon.

Ike Frolics With Grandchildren

Gettysburg, Pa.—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower romped with his three grandchildren today in a Thanksgiving day frolic at his farm and gave 7-year-old David a lesson in pony driving.
Mr. Eisenhower supervised a ride the three youngsters took in a two-wheel wicker pony cart. David was driving.
A few feet down the gravel road David pulled up sharply on the reins to halt the pony.
The President gently reprimanded him.
"Always remember," he told David, "that a horse has just as tender a mouth as you have. Be very careful."
"I have to be tough with him so he'll know who's driving him," David argued back.
The President laughed and turned to reporters, witnessing the lesson: "David is a riding master," he said.

Portland Traction Investor Identified

Portland.—(U.P.)—Jack Barde, a Portland steel and machinery dealer, has identified himself as the previously unnamed investor ready to put \$250,000 into a locally-owned Portland mass transportation firm.
The city council recently indicated it would not renew the operating franchise now held by the Portland Traction Company, a firm largely owned by San Francisco interests. The council said PTC could not hope to continue its Portland operations unless it was reorganized to provide local control. PTC has made no such reorganization move.
Barde said that his offer to form a local company would be the only alternative to renewal of the PTC franchise under present terms.



PACE QUICKENS—President Eisenhower steps from his car on arrival at his office in Gettysburg, Pa., for a meeting with Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency. Following the meeting the Chief Executive left for nearby Camp David to confer with the National Security Council. Recuperating nicely from his heart attack, the President was reported in fine shape.

Guards Return To Perfect Circle Plant As Violence Erupts

New Castle, Ind.—(U.P.)—Armed National Guards clamped "modified" martial law on this strike-torn city today to halt new outbreaks of violence.
Guardsmen were ordered into the city to deal with new attacks on the Perfect Circle Corp. foundry and the home of non-striking. The violence erupted sporadically following the withdrawal of guardsmen just one week ago after seven weeks of patrolling the city.
Cannot Be Tolerated
Gov. George Craig ordered the National Guard to return yesterday, saying "the continuing unrest in New Castle cannot be tolerated." He acted after Mayor Paul McCormack requested that troops be reassembled to the city.
The order came after rocks were hurled through 10 windows at the foundry, and windows were shot out in the homes of three non-striking employees.
A plant guard said he "saw about eight people" throwing rocks at the factory Tuesday night. He scared them off by firing his gun into the air.
In ordering 90 guardsmen from Connorsville, Craig said "I will insist that law and order be maintained."
Bloody Violence
The Perfect Circle plant has been the scene of labor unrest since CIO United Auto Workers called a strike there and at three other Perfect Circle plants in Hagerstown and Richmond July 25.
It erupted into bloody violence Oct. 5, when non-striking inside the New Castle plant engaged in a gun battle with strikers and sympathizers outside the plant. Nine persons were wounded.
The President's proposal made at the Geneva meeting of the Big Four heads of government last July, calls for an exchange of military information by Russia and the United States and unimpeded aerial inspection of each other's countries.
Sobolev made no mention of the hydrogen explosion in Russia reported by the Atomic Energy Commission yesterday with an indication that it involved the Soviet Union's biggest bomb. But he said:
"The Soviet government proposed at Geneva and we are proposing here that the Soviet Union, the United States, the United Kingdom and France adopt a pledge not to be the first to use thermonuclear weapons against any country."
British Answer
"The peoples of the world do not wish to reconcile themselves with a continued armaments race and a threat of a new war. A practical solution to the problem of disarmament cannot stand any further delay."
Sobolev's charge that the west had "gone back" on its previous disarmament stands brought a sharp reply from British Minister of State Anthony Nutting. The Briton said Russia's refusal to explain how far it would go on the problem of controlling any arms reduction system was the block to agreement on disarmament.
"We have come closer together on ultimate objectives," Nutting said, "but we have still to break through the Iron Curtain on control."

Escapée Terrorist Seized in Missouri

Mountain View, Mo.—(U.P.)—A posse of state troopers and sheriff's deputies from two counties converged on a farm house in rugged Ozark country near here today and captured an armed prison escapee who had held captive and terrorized a family throughout the night.
David L. Coffman, 22, armed with three pistols stolen from the Ozark county sheriff, was captured at the Floyd Correll home following a farm to farm search. He surrendered without firing a shot.
The Highway Patrol took Coffman to the jail at West Plains.
Coffman escaped from the Ozark county jail yesterday, stealing three hand weapons. The escape took place shortly before he was to be taken to the state prison at Jefferson City to begin a five-year term for armed robbery.
The patrol said Coffman knocked on the door at the Verl Freeman home at Gainesville shortly after his escape. He forced Freeman, at gunpoint, to drive him to an area north of Mountain View.
When the desperado permitted Freeman to return home, Freeman notified authorities where he had left Coffman and the manhunt started.
The patrol said the Correll family was unharmed, but frightened. Coffman forced them to feed him.

US Airmen on Trial For Slaying in France

Boulogne-sur-Mer, France.—(U.P.)—U. S. Airmen 3C Jose Montigo, Phoenix, goes on trial for voluntary manslaughter today before a French jury at the Boulogne assizes.
The 24-year-old airman has been in a French jail since mid-May for the alleged stabbing of Andre Mallet, who died of wounds received in a street fight.
Under the status of forces agreement NATO nations may try servicemen of other nationalities for off duty crimes committed in their territory.
Montigo is charged with violation of the French penal code. The code refers to causing the death of another person through voluntary action but without intention as causing death.
As is provided for in the NATO agreement, a representative of the U. S. government will be at the trial to observe and make an official report. He is William Paul Thomas, legal advisor at the Paris office of Air Forces in Europe.

Break-in Reported At Eastside Market

The Eastside Market, 608 East Main st., was broken into last night, but nothing was missing, according to Medford police.
A city policeman on a routine check discovered the break-in about 3:40 a.m. today. The front door apparently had been pried open, police said.

Russia Touches Off Largest Bomb Blast

Russia Calls Upon Big 4 To Pledge No Nuclear Attack

Disarmament Group Hears Soviet Proposal

United Nations, N. Y.—(U.P.)—Russia, which recently staged its biggest hydrogen bomb explosion, called upon the Big Four powers today to pledge "not to be the first to use atomic or thermonuclear weapons against any country."
Soviet Delegate Arkadai A. Sobolev made the proposal to an extra-ordinary Thanksgiving day session of the UN Disarmament Commission.
Rejecting Western disarmament plans and accusing the United States of "side stepping" the problem of arm reduction, Sobolev repeated the views put forward at Geneva earlier this month by Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov.
Russia, Sobolev said, is ready to consider President Eisenhower's "open skies" inspection proposal "favorably" if it is incorporated as a basic part of an overall disarmament program. Eisenhower Program
But, he added, "we note that the proposal of President Eisenhower side steps the question of the reduction of arms and the prohibition of atomic weapons. If such a proposal does not contribute to the solution of the problem, it means it does not eliminate the danger of a new war."

Washington Gets Timber Hearings

Portland.—(U.P.)—A joint congressional subcommittee investigating federal timber sales policies moves north to Aberdeen, Wash., to resume hearings on Monday.
The committee, under chairmanship of Rep. Earl Chudoff (D-Pa.), concluded the Portland phase of its hearings yesterday.
One of the final witnesses to testify was James F. Doyle, area administrator of the Bureau of Land Management. Doyle, who had heard a long line of witnesses criticize sales policies of the bureau, agreed with earlier testimony by Charles A. Sprague of Salem, former governor of Oregon, that the government should go easy on any increased logging program.
Doyle said to increase allowable cuts means that pressures would build up to allow still more cutting.
A. W. Lafferty, former congressman from Oregon, urged the committee to consider a proposal for a revolving fund to build access roads in the 11 western public lands states.

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28th Seattle Plane Crash Victim Dies

Seattle.—(U.P.)—Cpl. John S. Thomas, 19, Philadelphia, died here yesterday from burns he suffered in the crash of a non-scheduled DC4 airliner near here last Friday.
Twenty-seven persons died in the crash. Thomas had been in critical condition with third degree burns. He was one of 66 soldiers just returned from Korean duty who chartered the flight for a trip home in time for Thanksgiving. In all, 74 persons were aboard.
Meanwhile, the Civil Aeronautics Board reported it was investigating engine trouble the plane had prior to leaving Billings, Mont., en route to Seattle to pick up the soldiers. The plane was owned by Peninsular Air Transport.

Christmas Decorations Start Going Up Friday

Public works department crews will start putting up Christmas decorations on five downtown Medford streets tomorrow, Vernon Thorpe, public works director, has announced.
The decorations, which are furnished by merchants, are expected to be up by Nov. 30, when local merchants will hold their grand opening of this year's holiday season.
Streets which will be decorated include Main, Sixth, Central ave., Riverside ave. and part of Bartlett st.
Merchants make arrangements for electrical connection.

Egypt Accused of Using Commandos Against Israelis

Jerusalem.—(U.P.)—Israel today accused Egypt of sending "do or die" commando squads across the border in a planned campaign of guerrilla warfare against Israel in retaliation for the bloody battle at El Auja in which 40 Egyptians were slain.
The Israeli Foreign Ministry said Egyptian troops had opened fire 21 times during the last three weeks on Israeli border posts and charged that Egyptian planes had invaded Israeli territory 12 times.
At the same time, the Foreign Ministry said, "Fedayeen (do not die)" commando squads have crossed the border from both Jordan and the Egyptian-held Gaza Strip to raid Israeli settlements.
The government instructed the Israeli delegation to the United Nations to lodge a strong protest with the Security Council against the "Egyptian aggressions."
In other Middle Eastern developments:
1. Iran formally notified Syria that it is willing to take part in any effort to settle differences between Israel and the Arab states.
2. Israeli authorities expressed fear that Israel might become the victim of a Middle Eastern Munich, being forced to give up territory to get peace with the Arab states.
3. The United States announced that, for the present, it would not join the Baghdad Middle Eastern defense pact but did not rule out eventual membership.
4. Russia charged that the Baghdad pact "further the aggressive plans of the West" and that the United States played a decisive role in its creation.

Adenauer Returns To Government Control

Bonn, Germany.—(U.P.)—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, smiling and in high spirits, took over direct control of the government today for the first time since he suffered an attack of bronchial pneumonia seven weeks ago.
The 79-year-old West German leader wished a cheery "good morning gentlemen" to the members of the staff who welcomed him at the main door of the Chancellery on his first appearance since Oct. 7.
He made no statement but walked at once upstairs unaided to his second floor office.

Oregonians Have Much For Which To Be Thankful

By UNITED PRESS
Oregonians today sat down to the traditional Thanksgiving feast of turkey and all the trimmings and everywhere throughout the state most persons had much for which to be thankful.
For one thing, the weatherman was kinder than he had originally promised. The snow which was supposed to fall on northwestern Oregon, particularly the Portland area, failed to materialize and the region was bathed in a warm rain.
All major highways were open to traffic and Oregonians traveling to grandmother's for Thanksgiving had free and easy access in most parts of the state.
So far, no traffic fatalities have been reported in the state, although at mid-morning the national toll stood at 30 dead.
It also has been a fairly prosperous year for most Oregonians. Unemployment in the state is less than it was a year ago and more people were able to afford a heaping Thanksgiving table.
For the less fortunate, however, the charitable organizations were providing an ample Thanksgiving dinner. And at the state prison and jails throughout the state, inmates also were being treated to a special repast.
In most communities, special church services were offered, and extra-full Thanksgiving baskets were gathered for the poor.

Congressmen See Necessity for US To Remain Strong

Announcement Indicates New Devices Employed

Washington.—(U.P.)—Congressmen said today that Russia's explosion of its most powerful hydrogen bomb yet means the United States must remain strong despite Communist peace talks.
The Atomic Energy Commission disclosed last night that the Russians have set off another nuclear explosion. The AEC said the blast was "the largest thus far in the USSR."
The AEC's comment on the size of the Russian blast went beyond its usual bare statement that a Soviet explosion had been touched off. This indicated that the United States now has devices which not only detect Soviet nuclear blasts, but also measure their strength.
Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) said the latest Soviet explosion shows the Russians "are preparing for war with every energy they have" despite their peace campaign. He said it is time for the State Department to face up to the "stark facts of the international situation."
Must Seek Peace
Sen. John J. Sparkman (D-Ala.) said the Russian blast "serves notice on us of what we are up against."
"We've got to do two things," Sparkman said. "Remain strong and at the same time try, with all the nations of the world willing, to work out a plan for lasting peace."
AEC Chairman Lewis L. Strauss said the Russian blast, latest in the 1955 test series, "was in the range of megatons." A megaton represents the explosive equivalent of 1,000,000 tons of TNT.
Strauss did not pinpoint the size of the Soviet explosion with a specific number of megatons. Estimates of the size of this country's H-bombs have run from 12 to 20 megatons.
But the fact that the AEC announcement referred to megatons strongly indicated that the United States now has ways of detecting Soviet explosions other than by picking up radioactive particles in the atmosphere. The new devices might measure energy waves travelling through the atmosphere or shock waves travelling through the ground.
Earthquake Reports
Before the commission issued its announcement, the Weston College Observatory seismograph at Weston, Mass., recorded a "strong" earthquake about 5300 miles northwest of Boston, possibly in the Kamchatka Peninsula in Siberia.
A Weston spokesman said the shock was recorded at 14:27 a.m. (EST). At Fordham University, New York, the seismograph recorded a "quake" coming in two shocks at 1:41 a.m. and 1:51 a.m.
The AEC did not say when the Soviet blast occurred.
Russia announced some time ago that it had successfully tested a hydroger bomb.
The AEC had disclosed on Aug. 4 that Russia had undertaken a new atomic test series despite its call for a ban on all atomic and hydrogen weapons. A second explosion was reported Sept. 24 and a third on Nov. 10.