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FORECAST: Cloudy with occasional rain through Monday, becoming heavier this afternoon and tonight, snow in the mountains above 3,000 feet, windy this afternoon. High today, 45, low tonight 46; high Monday, 45. Temp. Highest Yesterday 45, Lowest Yesterday Morning 38, Prec. To 10 p.m. Yesterday .33

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Lumber, Sawmill Union Agrees To Medco Wage Offer

Local 2715 Votes 100 Per Cent Acceptance

Members of Local 2715, Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union, AFL, have voted 100 per cent to accept a Medford Corporation wage offer. B. L. Nutting, Medco manager, reported Saturday. Nutting said Al Bohaman, business agent of the local union, had informed him the action was taken at membership meeting of the union Saturday. The wage increase, similar to that offered by lumber firms in the Pine Industrial Relations committee area of Oregon and northern California, provides for bracket wage increases averaging 8 3/4 cents per hour. The bracket-increases will be for 5, 7 1/2, 10, 12 1/2 and 15 cents per hour for various work categories, with the larger increases going, generally, to the more skilled workmen.

The wage increase will apply to about 350 men, Nutting said. He added that union representatives plan to sign the agreement Monday afternoon. It is retroactive to Dec. 16, and will remain in effect until April 1, 1957, with one wage re-opening possible on Jan. 1, 1957. Nutting says he insures at least a "year of peaceful relationships" between the company and the union.

Nutting also reported that company officials recently met with representatives of Local 6-221, IWA-CIO, the woods and railroad workers, and presented a similar wage increase offer for their consideration. He said they are expected to act on the offer shortly.

Red Border Control Tightens In Berlin

Berlin — (U.P.)—East German Communists tightened the border control noose around West Berlin Saturday by shutting down elevated railway exits to the isolated Western sector. Alfred Neumann, first secretary of the Berlin Communist party, said the Western Sector's anti-Red policy would "isolate West Berlin still more" and bring "serious disadvantages" for West Berliners.

He told West Berlin workers to band together with the Reds to overthrow the West Berlin city government. Neumann described West Berlin as "an island, a lost position," and implied that four-power rule in Berlin is dead as far as East Germany is concerned.

The East German Communists ordered police reinforcements to the border to control highway and elevated railway traffic between West Berlin and surrounding Communist territory. West Berlin police described the new controls as "stringent."

The Red police checked trains en route from the Soviet sector to West Berlin in an apparent effort to catch smugglers and to stem the flow of refugees to the West.

The Communists closed exits leading to West Berlin at the only two elevated railway stations on the East-West city border. Police barred the exits with large iron gates.

Naval Research Base For Coos Head Park

Washington, D. C. — (U.P.)—The office of Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) announced Saturday that a Naval Oceanographic research station will be established at Coos Head park on the Oregon coast. The announcement was confirmed by the 13th Naval district in Seattle.

Construction of "five or six buildings" on the site was not expected to begin until March, 1957. It would have a complement of about eight officers and 89 enlisted men and would be similar to a research station planned for Grays Harbor, Wash.



FIFTEEN TO CNE—Members of the powerful Arab-Asian bloc threatened action to oust Nationalist China from the United Nations for killing off an 18-nation membership deal. Resentment against the Nationalists was strong for using its veto, but cooler heads among the UN diplomats put the major share of blame on the Soviet Union for wrecking the membership package deal with its 15 vetoes. Nationalist Delegate Dr. Tingfu F. Tsiang (left) vetoes the admission of Custer Mongolia and Russia's Arkady A. Sobolev (right) votes in favor of the application.

9-Member County Planning Group Is Appointed By Court

Nine members of a new Jackson county planning commission were named Saturday by the county court.

Need for the commission has resulted from the growth of the county outside incorporated areas according to County Judge J. Rodney Keating. Names Listed: Named to four-year terms were John Pleisch, Medford; Edwin W. Gebhard, Central Point; and Edward S. Strother, Shady Cove.

Three-year members are Stuart V. McQueen, Medford; John Neidermeyer, Jacksonville; and Lloyd Selby, Ashland. Two-year members are Ed Ward F. Bolt, Gold Hill; Don B. Whalin, Medford; and David

Israel Says Nation Is 'Ready For War'

Jersalem — (U.P.)—Israel warned Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser Saturday that "if you want war, we are ready." At the same time, Egypt charged that Israel forces attacked Egyptian positions with automatic weapons in a 20-minute battle in the Southern sector of the Gaza strip.

The Israeli radio bluntly told Nasser to remember 1948 when Jewish troops held off the combined military might of the Arab nations. It suggested that Nasser "reconsider your warlike call."

The broadcast was in answer to Nasser's announcement earlier this week that future Israeli aggression would be met with two-front retaliation by Egypt and Syria.

In a formal complaint to the U.N. Mixed Armistice commission, Egypt charged that the Israeli attack in the Gaza strip took place last Thursday. Official Egyptian sources said there were no Egyptian casualties.

The new charge against Israel came as the U.N. Palestine team promised a speedy report on a bloody Israel raid on Syria to help the U.N. Security Council decide economic sanctions against the Jewish state. But sources close to the Israeli government in Tel Aviv expressed belief that no non-Arab member of the United Nations "except possibly Britain and Russia" would support the Syrian demands.

Drive To Minimize Differences Starts

Washington — (U.P.)—Some Congressional Democrats have opened a behind-the-scenes drive to minimize party differences on farm price support levels and win solid backing for other farm proposals, informed sources said Saturday.

These Legislators were said to hope that the price support battle can be deferred while the Democrats push other programs to help the farmer fight skidding prices. These would include disposal of farm surpluses and establishing a soil bank. Sen. Clinton P. Anderson (D-N.M.), one of the few Democratic supporters of President Eisenhower's flexible farm price supports, was reported to be one of the central figures in the unity bid.

California Man Is Killed In One-Car Accident Near Here

Four Others Injured In Crash On Siskiyou

Adrian Renay Erickson, 42, of 2849 Darwin st., Sacramento, Calif., was killed instantly in a one-car automobile accident Friday evening, according to state police and the county coroner's office.

The accident occurred just east of Savage Rapids dam on the Jackson-Josephine county line, about 6:17 p.m. Friday. Conger-Morris funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

Erickson, driving a 1955 sedan, apparently was alone in the car at the time, officers said. His car evidently struck gravel on the edge of Highway 99, skidded into a ditch, traveled some distance before it hit a bank and flipped over, throwing the driver from the car, the police report said. The body was found on the highway 67 feet from the car. The skull was crushed.

Other Accidents: Two other accidents were reported late Friday and early Saturday.

Two cars collided on Highway 99 in the Siskiyou, about a half-mile south of the former site of Ruby's kitchen, about 10:15 p.m. Drivers were Ellis Epton Pendergrass, 25, Riddle, Ore., and Mrs. Lee Cardinal Brumbach, 36, Santa Clara, Calif.

Investigating officers said the Brumbach car, headed downhill, apparently skidded on the ice-coated highway and collided head-on with the Pendergrass car. Both vehicles were towed damaged and had to be heavily towed. There were no citations issued.

Pendergrass suffered a minor cut near his eye. His wife, Ruby Loretta, 21, suffered a cut on her forehead and bruises, and was taken to Ashland General hospital by Livitiller ambulance. Their children, aged 5, 2, and 4 months, were uninjured.

Mrs. Brumbach suffered severe cuts on her head and chest bruises. A passenger, Alda Lee Brumbach, 10, also had cuts and bruises. Both were hospitalized.

One-Car Accident: A car driven by Fritz John Ruch, 23, of 328 North Central Ave., Medford, failed to make the curve at Bybee corner on the Jacksonville highway about 3:27 a.m., Saturday, left the road, broke off a highway sign, went into the ditch, traveled 75 feet, and stopped headed back in the direction from which it came, the police report said.

Ruch was unhurt, officers reported, but a passenger, Gordon Koehler, 24, Jacksonville, suffered minor cuts about the face.

Medford Stores To Remain Open Nights

Stores in Medford will remain open until 9 p.m. Monday through Friday next week for the convenience of Christmas shoppers, according to Robert Boyd, chairman of the retail merchants bureau of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

Stores will close at the usual hour of 5:30 p.m. Christmas eve, he said. Businesses will close Monday following Christmas and also Monday following New Year's day, he said.

New Earthquakes Jolt Imperial Valley; Report Light Damage; Threat To Canal

El Centro, Calif. — (U.P.)—New earthquakes jolted cities in the lush Imperial valley Saturday, posing a threat to the All-American canal, the arid region's vital water link, and causing further light damage to residential and business structures.

A shock at 11:05 a.m., second sharpest of a series of "lump-teen" which began jiggling the area late Friday was followed by another at 11:15 yesterday morning.

No Injuries: There were no reports of injury or major damage. Store windows were smashed, ceilings buckled and water pipes were broken.

Seismologists were able to count "about 30" separate shakers since 7:30 Friday night, but an attendant on the canal made a private count of "at least 67." The canal feeds water from the Colorado river into the area that once was barren but now

MAY IKE PLANS GEORGIA VACATION

Heart Specialists Advise Brief Rest After Christmas

May Be Back To Normal Work Load In January

Gettysburg, Pa. — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower's heart specialist Saturday prescribed a brief after-Christmas vacation in the south to speed the Chief Executive's "excellent and encouraging" recovery.

The specialist, Dr. Paul Dudley White of Boston, who examined Mr. Eisenhower at his farm home here, also fixed a target date of mid-February for "a medical estimate as to the ability of his heart to stand" the strain of a second term.

White discounted the importance of the fatigue Mr. Eisenhower suffered from his recently increased activities, and said "he has stood the strain of the past six weeks very well."

Reporters pressed White for a forthright opinion on whether the "trend" of Mr. Eisenhower's recovery indicates he will be "physically able to run again."

"The trend is good," White replied. "But we've got to have another examination to see how he stands up under the full load." He said Mr. Eisenhower probably could resume a fairly normal work load when he returns to the White House about Jan. 9. He said the southern vacation is necessary because the President needs exercise he can't get in cold climates.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said plans for the trip had not been completed. But Mr. Eisenhower probably will go to Augusta, Ga., one of his favorite spots, right after Christmas. He has a cottage there on the borders of famous Augusta National Golf club.

White said the President could chip and putt but was not yet ready to play 18 holes of golf, his favorite sport.

Hagerty said tentative plans called for Eisenhower to return to Washington Jan. 3, to consult with Republican Legislative leaders at the opening of congress, and then go back to Augusta until Jan. 9.

This schedule means Mr. Eisenhower may be away from the Capital when his State of the Union message goes to Congress. Hagerty said it has already been definitely agreed with Congressional leaders that Mr. Eisenhower will send the message to Congress in written form rather than delivering it in person.

Dr. White said a full 18-hole round of golf will have to wait until some time in the spring, when Mr. Eisenhower is expected to make another trip to Augusta.

Explaining why he suggested the southern vacation, White said Gettysburg's wintry weather has made it impossible for the President "to get as much exercise as we would have liked."

"Since the weather here probably will continue to be cold he could find a standpoint," he said. "It is not because he needs a rest for the heart, but because he needs exercise for his heart—as a test."

Central Point Church Listed Incorrectly

The telephone number which appeared Friday for a daily Bible verse at the Community Bible church in Central Point was reported incorrectly, according to the Rev. Paul O. Kroon, pastor of the church.

The number to call for a Bible verse is NOrmandy 4-1615. An automatic telephone answering device will read the verse when the number is dialed.

Buenos Aires — (U.P.)—Authorities in La Plata arrested 400 persons and seized numerous arms caches this week in the government's campaign to "eradicate every vestige of totalitarianism in Argentina," unofficial reports said Saturday.

Saarbruecken — (U.P.)—West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer Saturday urged voters in today's Saar legislative election to support parties favoring the return of this disputed border area to Germany.

5 BILLION FOR AID YOUNGSTERS ASK EVERYTHING IN LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Funds For Foreign Military, Economic Help In Cold War Would Eliminate Cut In Taxes Next Year

Washington — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower may ask Congress next month for a whopping \$5,140,000,000 in foreign military and economic aid to combat Russia's renewal of the cold war it was learned Saturday.

The tentative figure, about double this year's foreign aid appropriation, almost certainly would run into the buzz saw of opposition in the economy-minded congress. And if approved, it would about eliminate the possibility of a tax cut in the 1956 presidential election year.

Subject To Change: Sources ranking administration high-sounding the \$5,140,000,000 total has the Budget Bureau's approval. But they emphasized that it will be subject to change right up to the moment Mr. Eisenhower sends his budget message to Congress Jan. 17.

The size of the request—for the fiscal year beginning next July 1—surprised some Democratic and Republican congressional leaders who attended a bipartisan briefing on foreign affairs at the White House Tuesday.

House Republican whip Leslie C. Arends, (Ill.), indicated that if the report is true the request would face sharp opposition in Congress. Arends, who was among the congressional leaders briefed at the White House, told a reporter:

"That was not my understanding. I understood that foreign aid spending would be kept at about the same level as this year. I am hopeful that the administration's request for foreign aid appropriations will not be increased. If there is an increase, congress will certainly want to take a look at it."

Possible Explanation: One possible explanation for the difference between the reports which came from the White House briefing and the reported plans for a sharp increase in appropriations was offered by an administration official.

The official, who declined to be quoted by name, said the increase in appropriations might not necessarily mean any great increase in actual spending. He added that much of the new funds requested were for planning to fill pipelines for deliveries of foreign aid at a later time.

Some of them said statements made then by secretary of State John Foster Dulles and Foreign Air Chief John B. Hollister indicated foreign aid requests for fiscal 1957 would remain about the \$2,700,000,000 level of the current fiscal year.

But administration officials insisted the decision to seek a big increase does not represent any sudden or unexpected shift in thinking. They said the higher figures have been under consideration since early last summer.

These sources said the request will include \$3,240,000,000 in foreign aid military funds, \$2,240,000,000 more than congress approved this year, and \$1,900,000,000 in economic aid, \$300,000,000 more than the current appropriation.

Air Base Bids To Be Opened December 29: Seattle, Wash. — (U.P.)—The 13th Naval district announced Saturday that bids will be opened here Dec. 29 for the construction of a runway extension and installation of taxiway and approach lighting at the Klamath Falls, Ore., air force base.

Bids also will be opened Dec. 29 for the resettlement of Klamath project facilities at Klamath Falls and Tulelake, Calif.

Asks Financial Help Through Newspaper Ad: Coldwater, Mich. — (U.P.)—The following ad appeared Friday in the Coldwater Advertiser:

"An attractive gal who gets paid on Friday and is broke by Tuesday wants to meet a man who gets paid on Tuesday and is broke by Friday."

Everyone Laughs When Santa Steps From Plane: El Paso, Tex. — (U.P.)—They laughed when Santa Claus stepped out of his helicopter Friday and when Santa bent over he saw why. His pants had dropped to his ankles and exposed two pillows used for padding.

"Ho, ho, ho," Santa ad libbed gracefully, "I left in such a hurry this morning I forgot to hitch up my pants good."

Dulles 'Satisfied' With Pact Meeting

Evreux, France — (U.P.)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said last night before he headed for home that he is "very satisfied" with the new determination shown by America's Allies at the Atlantic Pact meeting in Paris this week.

Dulles' special Air Force plane left the U. S. airbase here at 5:14 p.m. He is expected in Washington at 9 a.m. today after stopping in Bermuda.

Authoritative sources said one of the secretary's last acts before leaving Paris was to promise U. S. aid and advice to a proposed six-nation European atomic power pool—if it can be brought into existence.

These sources said Dulles felt the Atlantic Allies showed a "stronger and more vigorous determination" to resist the Communist threat at this week's meeting than at any time since he became secretary of state in 1953.

The new firmness was attributed to the Russians' renewal of the cold war, following their refusal to consider any of the West's proposal for peace at the foreign ministers' meeting in Geneva last month.

Candidates Asked For Opinion On Red China: Washington — (U.P.)—Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland challenged all prospective presidential candidates Saturday to declare whether, if elected, they would resist admission of Red China to the United Nations.

A probable candidate himself if President Eisenhower retires, Knowland said he wants the issue raised before, not after, the 1956 election. He has long been one of the most outspoken foes of admitting the Chinese Communists to the U. N.

He also made clear to reporters that he is still dissatisfied with the package plan by which 16 new members were voted into the U. N. this week. He said he agreed with a British diplomat who had described package deal admission plans as blackmail.