

Snow Batters Great Plains

Colorado Drifts Stall Thousands

A new blizzard howled into the storm-battered Great Plains today and weathermen warned it may be "very similar" to last week's disastrous snowstorm.

Blizzard and heavy snow warnings were issued for a six-state area as strong northerly winds swept the storm out of the Rockies. Snow was reported from Montana to the Texas Panhandle.

The blizzard was expected to slam into western Nebraska and west and central South Dakota today. Heavy snow warnings were out for western Kansas and the Oklahoma Panhandle and provisional warnings were issued for eastern Wyoming and eastern Colorado.

The disturbance began Monday in southern New Mexico. It dumped 5 inches of snow at Lander, Wyo., during the night, 3 inches at Colorado Springs, Colo., and 2 inches at Cheyenne, Wyo.

Motorist Killed The storm already was blamed for one death in Colorado. A motorist was killed near Georgetown, Colo., when his car skidded into a snow pile.

Weathermen said spring's second major storm could rival the snowstorm that paralyzed transportation in 13 western states last week and caused at least 48 deaths.

The storm isolated scores of Colorado communities from highway traffic and cut dozens more off from all forms of communications.

Airports Closed Thousands were stranded as the depths piled to more than two feet with drifts much higher. Lower but still paralyzing depths were reported in other areas.

Airports were closed. Bus schedules were cancelled. Trains were running hours late.

But Weather Bureau officials said the new storm, in the wake of the killing blizzard of 10 days ago, would not carry the punch of its predecessor.

Ground-blizzard conditions prevailed over much of the plains area from Southern Wyoming to Northern New Mexico. Heavy snow was reported in the mountains. Roads over most of the Colorado passes were packed solid with snow and visibility so poor travel was hazardous, if possible at all.

By the hour, the Colorado Highway Department was ordering more roads closed.

The snow was continuing throughout the region. Businesses were closed in some cities, particularly Colorado Springs. Schools also were shut down in Colorado Springs, and in the suburban areas near Denver.

Almost all trunk highways through Colorado were closed at some places.

Homemade Bomb Is Found Early Today A small homemade bomb in a jar containing "putty like" substance with a fuse in one end was found by an employee of the city street department about 8:50 a.m. today at Niantic and Maple sts., according to Medford police.

According to officers the fuse had been ignited but had failed to burn. The "putty like" substance could have come from a child's chemistry set, police said.

Explosive capacity of the bomb was not known by police. They said the bomb has been turned over to the California Oregon Power company where explosive experts will detonate it.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES New York — (U.P.)—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 477.55, up 2.57; 20 railroads 144.43, up 0.67; 15 utilities 71.42, off 0.1; and 65 stocks 168.63, up 0.64. Sales today were about 2,300,000 shares compared with 1,620,000 shares Monday.

Portland — (U.P.)—The State Board of Health has warned against careless handling and storage of pesticides by home gardeners.

Weather FORECAST: Variable cloudiness tonight and Wednesday. Warmer. Low tonight 35-38. High tonight 55-58. High Wednesday 65.

Our Skies Tonight Sunrise 5:33 a.m. Sunset 6:38 p.m. Moonset 9:24 p.m. First Quarter April 7 MARS setting at 10:39 p.m. is now a dim evening star in the constellation Taurus. Last Fall it outshone Jupiter as it will again in November, 1958.

Iran Government To Quit Wednesday, Official Declares

Move Seen Result of Slaying of Americans

Tehran, Iran — (U.P.)—Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Gholi Ardalan told the United Press today that the government will resign Wednesday. The move is believed to be a result of the slaying of three Americans.

"The government has not yet resigned," he said. "We are holding our final meeting Wednesday afternoon, after which we will tender our resignations to his royal highness, the Shah."

Bandits Believed Slain Gendarmerie sources reported, meanwhile, that three of the bandits believed to have killed the Americans have been slain in a fight with federal police near the Pakistan border in remote southeast Iran.

Although the slaying of the three Americans last week is considered the triggering action which set off the resignations, the underlying reason is the Shah's dissatisfaction with the nation's economic progress under Premier Hussein Ala.

Memorial Services Ala is scheduled to attend a memorial service at midday Wednesday for the three American victims of the brigands. They are Mr. and Mrs. Kevin M. Carroll, Issaquah, Wash., and Brewster A. Wilson, Portland.

They and two Iranian drivers were ambushed and slain while on a trip through the mountains of remote Baluchistan, 800 miles southeast of Tehran, a week ago Sunday.

Meanwhile, sources in Washington said American officials in Iran have received an informal offer of willingness to pay an indemnity for the deaths of the three Americans. So far, there has been no official offer, the sources said.

Medford Population Listed at 22,232

The population of Medford is now estimated at 22,232, including about 1,553 in the recently annexed Kenwood-Grandview district, according to City Manager Robert Duff.

An official enumeration in the Kenwood-Grandview area was completed this week. Gilbert Gutjahr, administrative assistant, directed the enumeration. An earlier estimate showed about 1,300 Kenwood-Grandview residents.

This is an increase of about 2,139 from the official population of Medford at this time last year, which was certified at 20,093 by the state board of census, Duff said.

The 1,553 figure estimated for Kenwood-Grandview will be forwarded to the census board this week.

City officials throughout the state make estimates for their cities, which are then certified by the census board, and are used as the basis for distribution of certain state funds on a per capita basis.

Training Classes Slated For Forest Fire Fighters

Training classes for fire foremen will be held in Medford Wednesday and Thursday, April 17 and 18, and in Grants Pass Friday, April 19, according to L. L. (Doc) Simpson, forester-manager of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association.

The school is sponsored jointly by SOCTFA, the state forestry department, the U.S. forest service and the bureau of land management. The school is the result of a survey of the serious fire situation of 1955, when it was determined that there was a lack of adequately trained personnel to act as foreman and in other supervisory capacities.

Originate in Medford The training classes for fire foremen and other types of overhead originated in the Medford area last year.

Classes will be divided into two phases. Two basic courses will be conducted and one advanced course.

The first basic course will be held in Medford at the state forestry department headquarters



Airport Grant Will Be Used for Lights

The \$48,750 grant-in-aid fund released today by the Civil Aeronautics administration for the Medford municipal airport tentatively is planned for a high-intensity lighting system, according to City Manager Robert Duff.

The amount is part of a \$87,785 request made by the city of Medford last August under the 1958 Federal Aid Airport program.

The remaining \$39,035 of the request was cut by the CAA because of ineligibility and low priority of some of its items. Rep. Charles Porter (D-Ore.) reported today. Duff said the request will be resubmitted for appropriation under the 1959 program.

Under the Federal Aid Airport program 75 per cent of the cost of the high intensity lighting system is borne by federal funds and 25 per cent by the city, Duff said.

Medford's participation in the new lighting system will be \$16,250. The present lighting system on the east and west runways of the airport, which is medium intensity, will be used on the cross runway after the new system is installed, Duff said.

The high intensity lighting system is a portion of a comprehensive improvement program planned at the Medford airport over the next several years. Total cost of the overall proposed project will be \$134,730, of which \$46,945 will be Medford's share and \$87,785 the CAA's, if the 1959 funds are approved.

Other improvements Other airport improvements planned include a paved parking area, landscaping, resurfacing of the east-west runways, construction of additional tie downs, resurfacing of taxiways along the ramp and old hangar site, seal coat of asphalt at the west end of taxiway No. 8, resurfacing of taxiways No. 5A, 7A, and 10A, construction of a taxiway in a private hangar way, construction of an approach road, and wider taxiways along the concrete ramp.

The CAA is scheduled to release grants-in-aid funds for Oregon airports totaling \$1,074,477 today, Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) reported yesterday.

The largest grant, \$621,557, is scheduled to go to Portland International airport. Also scheduled to receive grants are Grants Pass, \$56,611; Eugene, \$137,403; and Pendleton, \$10,356, Norblad said.

County Purchases Land in Applegate Members of the Jackson county court today reported the county has purchased a 4.3-acre tract of land located near the south approach to the Cameron bridge in the Applegate area.

The county purchased the property from Joe and Mary Farrand, route 1, box 46, Jacksonville, for \$500.

A county road maintenance building will be constructed at the site and stockpiles of road building material will also be kept there. The building will contain county equipment being used for road improvement projects in that area.

Ike Says Peace More Important Than Tax Cuts Washington — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower, in a speech indirectly aimed at Congress, said today that achieving world peace is "far more important" than cutting taxes.

"As much as we hate taxes," the President said, the high price of running the government must take second place behind the "overriding objective for peace."

Portland — (U.P.)—Corvallis Plywood Corporation has asked Federal Court for permission to reorganize under terms of the federal bankruptcy act.

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Main Switchboard Being Planned at County Courthouse

Preparations are under way at the county courthouse for a central telephone switchboard system and information center, according to Chester Wendt, county commissioner and courthouse building superintendent.

Construction started last week for a room in which telephone equipment for the new system will be installed. The room is located in the courthouse basement near the exit facing the rear parking area. The switchboard and information desk will be located on the main or second floor of the building.

New Equipment Wendt said the new phone equipment will be installed in September and the system probably will be in operation by late September. Cost of equipment and training of the switchboard operator will be assumed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company.

The county will pay \$600 to \$700 for construction of the equipment room, \$240 for miscellaneous equipment such as counters, and \$2,600 a year for the operator's salary.

The funds will be provided in the 1957-58 county budget. Wendt said construction is being started now while carpenters are available and to provide space for the equipment when it arrives.

Expresses Confidence Wendt expressed confidence that the new system would prove more efficient than the present telephone system, whereby each telephone is connected to an outside line. He said the county court has interviewed administrators of other large establishments, including the Douglas county courthouse, where a central telephone system is in operation. Administrators of the buildings reported they were well satisfied with the system.

The building superintendent also commented there has long been a need for an information center at the courthouse.

All-Day Trip Planned On McAllister Road The Jackson county court, County Engineer Paul Rynning and a delegation from the chamber of commerce will travel to Klamath Falls tomorrow for an all-day meeting on the proposed McAllister Springs rd.

The road would extend from Eagle Point to Klamath Falls by way of Lake of the Woods. Discussed tomorrow will be a proposal that the route be designated as a forest highway, the first step in a proposed reconstruction and improvement project for the route.

Also present at the meeting will be members of the Klamath county court and a resident state highway engineer from Bend, according to County Judge Rodney Keating.

Market Roads Are Slated for Repaving The state highway department is expected to call for bids sometime this week for repaving projects on Table Rock and Central Point Market rds., Paul Rynning, county engineer, said today.

Each project involves 1 1/2 mile of paving, Rynning said. The road improvements are a federal aid project, for which the county will pay 20 per cent, state 20 per cent, and federal government 60 per cent.

Bids will be opened at Salem April 19, according to a report Rynning said he received today from the highway department office.

Plan Would Raise State Income Tax In Lower Bracket

\$4,000-\$10,000 Class Would Gain Something

Salem — (U.P.)—House Speaker Pat Dooley, Portland, said Monday he favored increasing taxes on incomes of about \$4,000 to \$10,000 to make up for removal of the 45 per cent surtax.

Dooley was the first Democrat to detail a plan for meeting a budget of \$265 million or more. Under Dooley's plan, persons in the \$4,000 to \$10,000 class would gain something by having personal exemptions increased from \$500 to \$600.

Concerned With Property Tax The House Tax Committee headed by Rep. Clarence Barton, Coquille Democrat, is occupied currently with proposals to take the state out of the property tax field and hasn't yet talked about hiking income taxes.

Dooley's plan would lower taxes on higher incomes slightly but, when figured with the federal income tax, would actually remain about the same as at present.

Rates in Dooley's plan would be 5 per cent on the first \$1,000 of taxable income, 6 per cent on the next \$1,000, 8 per cent on the next \$2,000 and 10 per cent on all above that rate.

Would Be Enough About the same amount of money as is now collected with the 45 per cent surtax would be raised by his plan, Dooley said. He added it would be enough to finance a budget of \$265 million.

Gov. Robert D. Holmes said he had heard Dooley's plan discussed, but said he hadn't studied it enough to comment. He said he would not have a specific tax program of his own to announce.

Five Are Sentenced On Liquor Charges Five men, one a 17-year-old Phoenix youth, appeared in district court Monday and Tuesday in connection with charges involving liquor.

Entering pleas of innocent yesterday, but changing their pleas to guilty today, were Jack Thomas Rose, 19, of 3612 South Pacific highway, Medford, charged with illegal possession of intoxicating liquor; James Wayne Lick, route 1, box 409, Medford, charged with furnishing liquor to a minor; and Myron Wentworth Fultz, 18, of 125 Nutley st., Ashland, charged with illegal possession of intoxicating liquor.

Rose was fined \$10 plus \$5 court costs, Lick was fined \$30 plus \$5 court costs and Fultz was fined \$5 plus \$5 court costs and sentenced to three days in jail.

Pleading guilty in district court Monday were Melvin Ray Jolls, 19, of 662 B. st., Ashland, and a 17-year-old Phoenix youth. Jolls was fined \$5 plus \$5 court costs and given a seven-day suspended jail sentence. He was committed to the county jail in lieu of fine payment.

The Phoenix youth was fined \$25 plus \$5 court costs and was given a seven-day jail sentence.

The five were arrested Saturday night at Eagle Point by sheriff's deputies. They appeared in court before Alan Holmes, district judge pro tem.

Ted Williams Apologizes for Remarks Attributed To Him in Paper Interview

Sarasota, Fla. — (U.P.)—Ted Williams apologized publicly today for remarks attributed to him in a New Orleans newspaper interview. "I have too many friends and have spent too much time in the Marine Corps to not know that the organization is tops," he said.

Contained in Statement The apology by the Boston Red Sox slugger was contained in a mimeographed statement handed to newspapermen at the club's hotel headquarters. Williams, who had telephoned his remarks to a club spokesman, did not appear in person.

The statement said: "For the first time in my career I am concerned about publication of alleged remarks I made at the airport in New Orleans last Sunday night. "I have too many friends and

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The secretary left no doubt that the United States still desires some form of international control and operation of the Canal.

UN Principles Ousted He pointed out that the Egyptian plan does not include the six principles approved last October by the UN Security Council for operating the canal. These points, he recalled, included provision for free and open transit of the canal and an agreement between Egypt and canal users for fixing tolls.

Dulles repeated his previous statements that the United States believes every country, including Israel, has the right to send its ships through the canal. But he said this government, so far as he knows, has not been officially advised that Israel plans to send a ship through the canal.

No Secret Assurances On other subjects, Dulles said that the United States has given no secret assurances to Nationalist China that it will help defend Quemoy and Matsu islands in event of a Communist attack. The only U. S. commitments, he said, are those publicly known and approved by Congress, namely that the United States shall defend Formosa and the Pescadores Islands and related areas. A new book on Dulles by John R. Beal of Time magazine says that Nationalist China received a personal letter from President Eisenhower that satisfied Chiang Kai-shek that the United States would help defend Matsu and Quemoy.

Permits To Newsmen Said the administration is still actively studying the question of whether to permit American reporters to go into Red China. While this problem has been under very active consid-

eration for the last week or two, he said he could not forecast a change at this time.

Said the United States should not consider the Korean armistice as void despite serious violations of the agreement by the Communists. Although there have been some recommendations that the armistice be declared void, Dulles said this is not something favored by the United States.

Earlier, U. S. officials said that lifting the ban on American travel in the Middle East reflects optimism that peace will continue in that area.

U.S. Labor Leaders Seek Policing of Mexican Braceros Nogales, Mexico — (U.P.)—U.S. Labor leaders today issued an implied threat to withdraw their support of the U.S.-Mexican migrant labor pact unless Congress provides funds for adequate policing of the international agreement.

The warning was contained in a telegram to Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell from U. S. members of the joint U.S.-Mexico Trade Union committee which opened its fourth annual conference here this morning.

The threat to "re-examine" labor's position in support of the agreement was coupled with a commendation to Mitchell for his fight to restore cuts in his department's budget.

Seek Adequate Manpower The Nogales conference is a meeting of top labor leaders from both Mexico and the United States to work for better conditions for the some 400,000 Mexican braceros imported annually to work on American farms under the international agreement.

The U. S. section, headed by Frank L. Noakes, Washington, told Mitchell it would enlist the support of the entire American labor movement to back his effort to restore congressional cuts in the Labor Department budget in order to assure funds for a more adequate compliance staff for the Mexican contract program.

American labor men have long insisted that the bracero program could not be adequately policed against abuses without at least one Labor Department compliance officer for each 2,000 field hands. At present, this Labor Department staff consists of one officer for each 10,000 braceros.

Budget Committee To Consider Requests The county budget committee will meet in the county courtroom at 9 a.m. Thursday to consider requests for the 1957-58 county budget.

A proposed 1957-58 budget totaling \$2,807,146.59 was submitted to the committee last week. This would exceed the 1956-57 budget by \$161,877.52. The current budget is \$2,645,269.07.

No tax levy will be required during the coming year.

Local Man Receives Suspended Sentence Joseph George Matney, 52, of 503 East McAndrews rd., Medford, was given a one-year suspended sentence in circuit court this morning after pleading guilty to a charge of larceny from a person.

Matney was originally charged with grand larceny. He pleaded innocent to the charge and was scheduled to stand trial. The charge was changed this week.

He was accused of stealing \$700 from Grady A. Connor, 724 Victory st., Medford.

in the interview and I believe they were substantiated in the stories from Sarasota the next day.

Duplantier declined to comment on the player's remarks about "a drinking reporter" other than to say, "sure, I had a drink but that's not important."

Statement Distributed Williams' statement was distributed by Jack Maloney, assistant director of public relations for the Red Sox. It was released shortly before Williams and other members of the club departed for an exhibition game against the Yankees at St. Petersburg.

In the published interview, Williams was quoted as firing blasts at the late Sen. Robert A. Taft, the Marine Corps, and apparently at President Eisenhower. (See Story on Page 6)