

DEMOCRATS WILL BACK SPENDING FOR DEFENSE

Eastern Seaboard Gets Heavy Snow And Bitter Cold

Weather Blamed for At Least 20 Deaths

By UNITED PRESS
Snow piled a foot deep in New England and swirled into Central Florida today in the bitterest storm of the season. Deep cold settled over the Eastern Seaboard and the Gulf states as high winds from the first onslaught abated. Florida growers feared additional damage to their fruit and vegetable crops.

20 Deaths Caused
Across the nation, at least 20 deaths were attributed to the weather in the past 24 hours.

Among the victims were four persons in the New York area who died of apparent heart attacks while shoveling snow or trying to free stalled cars.

The Eastern storm, which began Tuesday afternoon, buried coastal sections as far south as Virginia with nearly a foot of snow and dumped 4 to 12 inches of snow across Northern New England.

Other weather victims included four persons killed in traffic in New England, two in New York State and one in Pennsylvania; six persons, five of them children, killed in fires in a Midwest cold belt, and one killed when an Army Stratotanker crashed during a rainstorm in Florida. Ice was blamed for deaths in Iowa and Wisconsin.

Deep Drifts in N.Y.
The weather situation by sections included:

New York: City hit by average five-inch snow accumulation but winds piled drifts several feet deep. Driving hazardous on roads into the city from Long Island, Westchester and Connecticut. Planes operating but delayed.

New Jersey: Eleven-inch snowfall at Atlantic City breaks 30-year record. Newark digs out from more than four-inch snow accumulation. Schools closed.

New England: Four to 12 inches of snow in northern regions, stalling traffic. Several schools in Central Massachusetts closed.

Virginia: Up to 11 inches of snow along the Virginia coast. Zero temperatures in the western mountain regions, in the 20s elsewhere.

Southeast: First snow on ground this winter at Birmingham, Ala., and other Northern Alabama spots. Freezing temperatures overnight from Northern Florida across Gulf States into Texas.

Midwest: Sub-zero cold wave on heels of snowstorm which closed many Northern Michigan schools and blocked roads.

Johnny Dio Receives 15-30 Year Sentence

New York — Labor racketeer John (Johnny Dio) Dioguardi received a 15-30 year prison sentence today for extortion in a "labor peace" racket.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight, becoming cloudy with rain Thursday. Patchy valley fog early Thursday. Low tonight 30. High Thursday 45.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunrise 7:41 a. m. Sunset 4:36 p. m. The Moon rises 8:53 p. m. and is in Perseus.

PROMINENT STARS
Regulus, near the Moon. Altair, low in the west. Sirius, rises 7:10 p. m. Capella, high overhead 10:14 p. m.

Eisenhower's Farm Paid \$2,000 From Soil Bank

Washington — President Eisenhower's Gettysburg, Pa., farm has been paid about \$2,000 during the past two years for taking wheat and corn acreage out of production, it was disclosed today. The payments were made under the Eisenhower administration's soil bank program for letting land lie idle to cut surplus production. Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson announced Tuesday the administration will ask Congress to scrap the program after this year. Glen Miller, office manager of the Adams County, Pa.,



JOE WALSH Files for Nomination

Walsh Files for Nomination as County Sheriff

Joseph D. (Joe) Walsh, now chief criminal deputy in the Jackson county sheriff's office, today announced his candidacy for sheriff. Walsh is 31 years old, lives at route 2, box 816B, Central Point and is a Republican. He has been chief criminal deputy here since April, 1956, and has worked in the sheriff's office since July, 1955. He served with the Medford Police department in 1953. The candidate came here from Bridgeport, Conn., and had been on the police force there since 1949. From 1946 through 1949 he attended dental school in Philadelphia, Pa. Previous to that he spent four years in the U.S. Navy, between 1942 and 1946, obtaining the rank of boatswain's mate. His overseas duty was in the Philippines. Born in Bridgeport He was born in Bridgeport and went into the Navy from high school. He is married and has five children. The oldest is 10 and the youngest a year old. Walsh holds memberships in the Elks lodge, Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Oregon Peace Officers' association, of which he is president. Walsh said he plans to file his notice of candidacy at the courthouse within a few days. Raymond Richard Koch, Central Point, and owner-manager of a local detective agency, filed for sheriff as a Democratic candidate last August, according to records at the Jackson county clerk's office. He made no announcement at the time. Deadline for filing is 5 p. m., March 7, for the primary election May 16.

Two Men Are Bound Over to Grand Jury

Stanley Carlton Schoen and David Lee Wade, both of Medford, were bound over to the grand jury yesterday on charges of assault and robbery while not armed with a dangerous weapon, according to the district court clerk's office. Both waived preliminary hearing. They are being held in the Jackson county jail on \$1,500 bail each. They are charged with assaulting Earl Elton Jones of Trail, yesterday in back of the 90 and 9 tavern, 1234 South Riverside ave., according to Medford police. City police said Jones was knocked down and robbed of the contents of his pockets. He was treated and released at the Rogue Valley hospital for lip cuts, officers said.

NATO Looks for Mutual Approach To Russia's Bid

Summit Parley To Be Discussed Friday

Paris — The North Atlantic Treaty Organization Council met today to seek a common approach to Russia's latest call for a new summit conference. But the recent British surprise plan for a non-aggression pact with Moscow forced the council to delay its decision.

The 15 permanent NATO ambassadors discussed East-West problems for 90 minutes of a three and a half hour meeting this morning at the group's Palais de Chaillot headquarters.

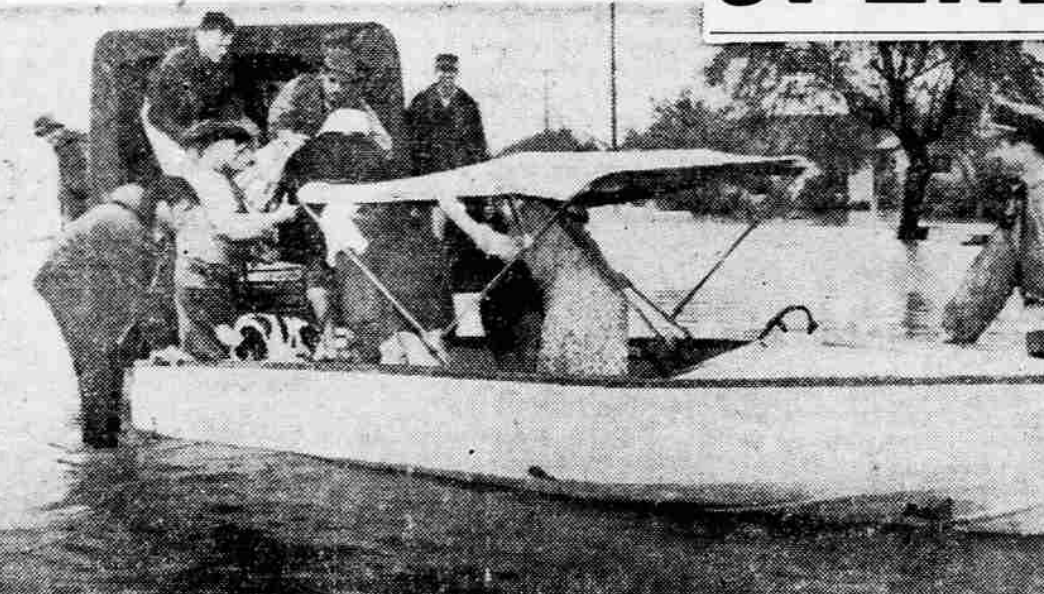
To Meet Friday
They decided to meet again Friday afternoon for a further discussion on the proposal for another summit parley made in December by Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin.

The United States is known not to be in favor of such a parley at this time. But its jittery European allies at least want to explore Soviet intentions.

However, the U. S. draft reply to the latest Kremlin overture was not debated at this morning's session.

Leaves Door Open
President Eisenhower's answer is expected to be cool to Bulganin's proposal. It will, however, leave the door open for such talks if Russia shows its willingness to negotiate in good faith.

Informed NATO sources said the council discussed British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan's call for a non-aggression pact as part of an overall cold war settlement. Macmillan made his proposal without consulting the NATO allies. And today's meeting was the first time the NATO council had a chance to discuss it.



FLOOD RESCUE—National Guardsmen re-Edinburgh, Tex., as torrential rains hit the lower Rio Grande valley.

First Forecasts on Water Show More Than Normal Supply

The first of the winter's water forecasts were issued today by the weather bureau and the soil conservation service. Both forecasts indicate a good supply with above normal streamflows. Water runoff in southwestern Oregon is forecast to be "above to well above the 1938-1952 average" because of high carryover and precipitation to date, according to the weather bureau. Rogue river streamflow below South Fork is forecast at 1,460,000 acre feet, or 110 per cent of the water year flow from Sept. 1 through Aug. 31. Residual flow for the period from Jan. 1 through Sept. 30 on the Rogue is forecast at 1,090,000 acre feet, or 104 per cent of the average.

Average water supplies can be expected this spring and summer in the Rogue and Umpqua watersheds if normal weather conditions prevail, according to the Soil Conservation service and Oregon Agricultural experiment station. Greater Stored-Water
The SCS report noted that most of the snow courses measured this month had greater than normal stored-water. The average was 124 per cent of normal. Water content of snow is about six times greater than at this time last year, the report noted.

At Diamond lake, 11.4 inches of water were measured in the snow compared to 5.3 inches last year and a normal of 8.7 inches. Emigrant Gap and Fish lake reservoirs are slightly more than half full, better than usual, the SCS said. Hyatt lake is almost half full, which is 188 per cent of normal. The last available report on Four-mile lake shows it to be about 40 per cent of capacity, the service reported.

Flow of the Rogue river at Gold Ray during December was 125 per cent of normal. Since Oct. 1, it has been 117 per cent normal.

OSC Professor to Be Honored Here

The American Pomological society will honor Henry Hartman, professor of horticulture at Oregon State college since 1919, with its Wilder medal at a meeting of pear growers in Medford Jan. 27. Hartman will be honored for his development of a special rot prevention wrap for pears and new shipping techniques which placed Oregon pears in eastern fruit markets in the 1930s. The award goes annually to individuals and institutions "rendering outstanding service in horticulture." Hartman is credited with speeding the development of the Oregon pear industry from a \$4 million enterprise in 1930 to \$20 million in 1957. He has been with OSC since 1919 and has continued on full-time teaching research duties since he reached retirement age in 1955. Besides the special wraps, Hartman developed paraffin liners for pear boxes that reduced costly friction bruises in cross-country shipment. He also worked out proper harvest time for various pear varieties and the length of time different varieties of pears could be kept in cold storage.

Officials Discuss Warning Signals

City officials and representatives from the Public Utilities commissioner and Southern Pacific railroad met in an all-day meeting Tuesday to discuss warning signal circuits on railroads. A tentative schedule of signalization was developed by the group, according to City Manager Robert A. Duff. It will be reviewed by Southern Pacific and the public utilities commissioner. Duff said discussions included all train crossings within the Medford city limits. Here for the meeting were C. E. Jacques, PUC engineer, Salem; George M. Joyce, trainmaster for SP, Medford; W. O. Dalen, signal superintendent; A. C. Jacobson, assistant signal engineer; James Ingerson, attorney for SP; E. A. Kendrick, assistant engineer for SP, and Bruce Crandall, state highway traffic engineer, Salem.

Representing Medford in addition to Duff were Vernon Thorpe, city engineer, and Roy Bashaw, city attorney. The meeting was called by PUC, Duff said, on the commissioner's order regarding speed of trains.

Bids on Bonds to Be Opened Jan. 9

Bids on \$600,000 worth of bonds for construction in the Medford school system will be opened at noon Thursday, Jan. 9, in the school administration office. Bonds totaling \$1,786,000 were authorized by school district voters in a special election late last year. Only \$600,000 worth are now being sold to finance the first phase of construction in the two-year building program. The \$600,000 is for two new elementary school units, and an addition to Medford High school.

Dulles' Foreign Policy Challenged In Stassen Report

New York — Presidential disarmament adviser Harold E. Stassen has challenged "almost the whole fabric of Dulles' foreign policy" in a report he made recently to the National Security Council, according to Newsweek magazine. However, the challenge apparently has been in vain so far. Informed sources in Washington reported Tuesday that although Stassen was urging a more flexible policy toward Russia, especially on disarmament, the council sided with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and approved a rejection of Soviet proposals for a new summit meeting and a U. S. - Soviet non-aggression pact.

Newsweek said Stassen fears that Dulles' attitude to Russia "was sustaining world tensions and thereby making a workable disarmament system impossible." The report to the NSC was the only way Stassen would make his view known because "Dulles no longer consults him," the magazine reported.

According to Newsweek, Stassen proposed bilateral disarmament talks with the Russians to test their sincerity, consideration of suspension of nuclear weapons tests backed by a ground inspection system, and the possible reunification of Germany along the lines of the Austrian settlement.

Company's Appeal Denied in Court

Washington — An appeal by Crater Lake Machinery company from a \$56,867 claim for additional income taxes for the years 1951-52 was denied today by the United States Tax Court. The claim arose after the firm purchased assets of Reed Tractor and Equipment company. In computing its own excess profits tax credits the Crater Lake firm sought to use all of that concern's base period income. The tax collector eliminated as a duplication a part of the base period earnings of the purchased business. The question before the court was whether he erred in so doing. The court held that Crater Lake had failed to show that the tax collector had erred "to any extent or that the regulations are inapplicable or improper."

Radio Highlights

President Eisenhower's State of the Union message will be heard over station KYJC (1230 kc) at 9:30 a. m. Thursday. A speech by Lester Pearson, winner of last year's Nobel Peace Prize and former foreign minister of Canada, will be heard over the same station at 9 p. m. today.

Demos Challenge Keating to File For Renomination

The Jackson county Democratic party organization today challenged County Judge Rodney Keating to file for renomination this year in an effort to clarify the length of his term of office. If he does not, County Democratic Party Chairman James A. Redden Jr., and Party Counsel William V. Deatherage suggested they would "take the necessary steps to obtain a final decision."

Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton last month in an opinion stated Keating's term was for six years instead of four. The opinion was requested by District Attorney Tom Reeder after a dispute as to the term of office arose.

The Democratic party's challenge and suggestion was contained in a letter sent to Keating. Keating, referring to the letter, this morning said: "In reply to a recent letter regarding my term of office, it was my belief that I was elected for a six-year term ending in December, 1960. The attorney general's recent ruling on this matter has substantiated by opinion. If the law is not clear, my suggestion to any parties who are not satisfied with this opinion take the matter to the court or the next legislature."

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McElroy Receives Pledge During Pentagon Parley

Essential Sum To Retain Lead Urged

Washington — Democratic congressional leaders told Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy today they will support whatever military spending is "essential and adequate" to keep America ahead in race for space. Their pledge was made at a breakfast meeting at the Pentagon arranged by McElroy.

It came a day after President Eisenhower sent his first defense spending request to the newly convened Congress, a call for \$1,260,000,000 in for the current fiscal year to expand missile production and improve operations of the Strategic Air Command.

Senate Democratic leader Lyndon B. Johnson told newsmen after the Pentagon meeting that he assured McElroy that if the defense secretary would "determine what is essential and adequate" in military spending and "stick with it, the Democrats would support him."

The administration is expected to ask Congress for \$40 billion in defense funds for the new fiscal year starting July 1. That is \$2 billion higher than the amount appropriated for the current fiscal year.

Besides Johnson, Senate Republican leader William F. Knowland, Speaker Sam Rayburn, Sens. Carl Hayden (D-Ariz.), Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) and Carl Albert (D-Okla.) attended the meeting with McElroy.

Eisenhower's first military spending request of Congress meanwhile, won general endorsement. Johnson said that "50,000 air planes produced a year before Pearl Harbor saved our necks. . . . A thousand missiles produced in the coming year may save our lives."

Federal Grant to Oregon Approved

A federal grant of \$47,275 to the Oregon Bureau of Municipal research has been approved by urban renewal commissioner Washington, D. C., according to information received today from Senators Wayne Morse and Richard L. Neuberger.

The grant, made available by Housing and Home Finance Agency, will aid in the preparation of plans for 13 Oregon cities including Medford. The project includes studies and plans in the fields of land use, parking, park locations, population analyses, streets and highway, economic bases zoning, flood control and drainage projects scheduled for completion within 15 months.

The total planning project in Medford will cost \$17,150, according to City Manager Robert A. Duff. Federal government grants will pay not more than 50 per cent of the cost with the remainder paid for by state and local funds. Duff said he had not received word from the Oregon Bureau of Municipal research as to the actual amount Medford would receive.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES
New York — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 3 industrials 446.61, off 1.18; 20 railroads 103.21, off 0.07; 15 utilities 70.23, up 0.41, and 65 stocks 150.39, off 0.09.

France Agrees To Probe Albania Airplane Report

Paris — The United States formally asked France today to investigate reports that Communist Albania is holding a missing U.S. Air Force plane and its pilot. A U.S. Embassy spokesman said the French government agreed. France is the only major Western power with diplomatic representation in Albania.

Heard Via Radio
An Albanian radio broadcast, monitored by a station in Munich, Germany, Tuesday, announced that a U.S. Air Force T-33 jet trainer piloted by a Maj. Howard Curran had invaded Albanian airspace and been forced down. The Air Force said Curran, 39, of Tacoma, Wash., had been listed as missing for more than two weeks. He disappeared Dec. 23 while flying alone from the U.S. supply base at Chateauroux, France, to Naples, on Italy's southwestern coast. Albania is on the other side of Italy and about 50 miles across the Adriatic Sea from Naples. Five-Day Search
Air Force officials at Chateauroux said Curran was on a trip related to Air Force contract work. He was last heard from when he made a routine radio position check in the vicinity of Piza on the northwest coast of Italy. American and Italian airplanes made a five-day search for the missing pilot.

