

Ike Brands Demo Jobless Pay Plan as Dole

"Lewis Strauss Says That To Stop Nuclear Tests Would Be a Tragic Mistake"



Fourteen Students To Participate in YMCA Program

Fourteen Medford students will leave tomorrow for the annual YMCA Youth and Government program in Salem.

Paratroopers Die In Windy Jump

Five paratroopers were killed and an unknown number injured today during a mass drop in high winds, officials said.

The public information officer said most of the deaths apparently were caused by the wind dragging the paratroopers along the ground after they landed.

"I personally saw no malfunctions of parachutes," said Maj. L. A. Breault, information officer.

Breault was in the drop zone. The mass drop involved about 1,300 men and tons of equipment. It was part of operation "Eagle Wing," a practice war game in which the 101st Airborne Division is taking part.

Officials said the wind was "within allowable safety regulations" when the drop began.

Officials said an "unknown number" of paratroopers were injured. The drop zone was being searched to see if there were any other casualties.

The men jumped from C119 planes, Breault said. The whole operation involved 86 carrier aircraft.

Lake Road May Be Open by May 15

Probable date for opening the Lake 'o' the Woods rd. will be May 15, Klamath county officials told the Jackson county court yesterday afternoon.

The lake is now covered with three feet of ice and the area has 42 inches of snow, the Klamath county officials reported.

Salem — The Oregon Supreme Court has affirmed a Multnomah County Circuit Court decree restraining the American Newspaper Guild from forcing the Oregon Journal to break its dealership contracts.

Deported Finn Free To Return To U.S. Unless Hold Orders Received

Helsinki — The U.S. Embassy here said today William Heikkila, Finnish-born draftsman deported from the U. S. for past Communist activities, was free to fly home Thursday unless Washington specifically orders his return held up.

To Catch Flight A consular official said Heikkila could leave without waiting for specific instructions from the U.S. government.

"He can leave unless we get orders from Washington to hold him back," the official said.

The step was taken to let Heikkila catch an early morning Finn-air flight to London

Cost of Living Reaches Another All-Time Record

Food Prices Push Cost Index Ahead

Washington — Living costs hit another all-time high in March, the government reported today.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that record high food prices pushed living costs ahead by seven-tenths of 1 per cent during March.

The bureau said it was the largest monthly advance in the consumer price index since July, 1956.

Soaring costs of fresh fruits, vegetables, meats and eggs

San Francisco — West Coast housewives found food prices at a new all-time high during March, it was announced today by the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Increases ranged from 1.6 per cent for March over February in Los Angeles to 1.4 per cent in Seattle and 1 per cent in Portland.

The rises were caused by higher prices for meats and fresh produce, the bureau said.

pushed the index to 123.3 (the 1947-49 average equals 100). That was 3.7 per cent higher than a year ago.

Wages To Be Increased More than a million workers whose wages are tied by contract to the government index will receive pay boosts up to 4 cents an hour.

About 750,000 railroad workers will receive increases of 4 cents an hour. Another 150,000 employees in General Electric and Sylvania plants will get increases of 1 1/2 per cent. Other workers will receive 2 to 3 cents more an hour raises in the chemical, metal working and transit industries.

Other delegates are Miss Caron Leffler, Miss Sandra Mason, Miss Sylvia Baker, Dale Foresee, Harold Sexton, Ronnie Miller, Miss Barbara Risner, Miss Karen Sloniger, Miss Barbara Stamper, and Miss Marion Elkins.

The purpose of the Youth and Government program is to acquaint youth with the methods by which public policy is determined.

The Medford clubs will be participating with other Hi-Y and Tri Hi-Y clubs from throughout Oregon. Each club has submitted a bill and will process it through the regular legislative "channels."

Lodging In Homes All delegates will be given lodging in homes of Salem citizens. The sessions will be held all day Friday and Saturday. One of the highlights of the program is the Governors ball Friday night with a queen and king coronation.

All funds for the event have been raised by the clubs through fund raising projects.

Roofing Contract Let by County

A contract for roofing the extension to the county shops was awarded Ace Roofing company, Medford, at a bid price of \$644 this morning, the Jackson county court reported.

Ace Roofing company was low bidder. Ekerson Roofing and Paint store, Medford, was the only other bidder at \$728.

In other business, the county court signed an order taking three roads in the Parkview subdivision into the county road system. The roads, located west of Central Point, are Carlton ave., Sunland ave., and Tulane ave. They have been graded, drained and surfaced at the expense of abutting property owners under the county engineer's specifications, County Commissioner Chester Wendt said. They will be maintained by the county roads department.

When Mrs. George Adams learned of the fresh meat boycott in southern California she immediately launched a campaign of her own by telephone and reports that the movement is snowballing. Each housewife contacted agrees to tell her friends and urge that no fresh meats be purchased until the slackening demand forces the prices down.

to connect with a Pan-American Polar flight leaving Thursday direct to San Francisco. He was expected to arrive in San Francisco at 10:30 a.m. Friday.

The consulate had not received official instructions as to what help it could give him but it expected authorization to advance him \$11 a day for expenses until his return.

Still Finnish Citizen Heikkila was followed by newsmen and photographers from his hotel to the Finnish police passport office and after that to the consulate. He still holds Finnish citizenship.

Heikkila, 52, was overjoyed when he was told U.S. authorities have decided they were wrong to deport him so swiftly because of his past Communist associations.

"This is the most wonderful thing that ever happened to me in my life," he said. "Arrives Without Baggage"

The deported Finn arrived here by air Tuesday night, hatless, coatless and without baggage in freezing weather. He checked in at a hotel while he pondered his future in a strange country whose language he does not speak. He was born in Finland but left the country at the age of 10 weeks.

In San Francisco his wife, Phyllis, 38, said she was "elated" at news her husband would be returned to San Francisco.

NORBLAD DIRECTED HITCHCOCK MAILING; UNAWARE OF LAW

Salem — U. S. Rep. Walter Norblad has telegraphed his headquarters here that he directed the mailing of campaign material that drew protests from his GOP opponent, Phil Hitchcock of Oswego.

The Marion county district attorney's office said he is investigating Hitchcock's

complaint to see if there was any ground for legal action. Hitchcock protested to Secretary of State Mark Hatfield Tuesday that "anonymous mailings" unfavorable to his candidacy in the 1st congressional district were being mailed to Marion county Republican workers.

Hatfield said Oregon election law prohibits anonymous mailings and forwarded Hitchcock's protest to District Attorney Hattie Bratzel for investigation.

Norblad said he did not know of the requirement that material should contain the name and address of the sender.

He said he had directed that all future mailings comply with the requirement. Hatfield expressed regret over the incident and reminded candidates of the law's requirement.

The material Norblad mailed to Marion county Republican women with the request

that they mail it to other persons consisted of reprints of an editorial from the Sandy Post and an article from the Oregon Voter.

Hitchcock's complaint was lodged with Hatfield through Thomas Brand, Salem, chairman of the Marion County Committee for Hitchcock.

Veto Decision Withheld From News Conference

Business Decline Seen Flattening

Washington — President Eisenhower branded as a dole today a Democratic-sponsored plan for benefits to unemployed workers.

But he declined to tell a news conference whether he would veto the measure if Congress approved. He did say, however, that it has grave defects and would tend to be destructive to the whole system of unemployment insurance benefits as it now exists.

Calls for 16 Weeks

He said that he did not know how the Democratic plan could be handled administratively.

The Democratic plan calls for the federal government to give idle workers 16 weeks of unemployment compensation, whether or not the idled workers are eligible under state unemployment insurance programs.

Other news conference highlights:

—He said recent economic statistics indicate that the rate of the business decline is flattening out. But he added he was not going to try to be a Pollyanna and say that everything is lovely.

Wants Right Program

He was asked about Democratic charges that the administration is going too slow and lacks courage and boldness in combating the recession. He said his policy was first to determine what was the right thing to do and the right way to do it. Courage and boldness, he added, are fine things if you know you have the right plan. But the U. S. economy is too complicated to follow the dictates of any individual, including the President.

Charges Disputed —He hotly disputed the charges of congressional critics that his defense reorganization plan could open the way in the future for some individual to take over absolute control of all the armed forces. He made the statement in reply to a question that Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy had conceded Tuesday that the Eisenhower reorganization bill could theoretically strip an individual of every chief of command of everything but his aide and orderly.

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First Class of Driver School Set

The first of two classes of the Medford driver improvement school will be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the Medford city council chambers, according to Capt. Clyde Fichtner, instructor.

He said the second session will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, in the council chambers. Tonight's class will be on traffic safety in general but will contain special instructions on the dangers of speed.

Fichtner said several students have been assigned to the school by the municipal court judge. He noted several other drivers will attend, and he invited any others interested to take part. The program is designed to improve driving habits to make safer and better drivers, he added.

Portland Marchers Call End To Nuclear Tests

Portland — A delegation carrying banners and placards calling for an end to United States testing of nuclear weapons marched in front of city hall today.

The group represented the Oregon Federation for Social Action.

Russia Studies Ways To Reopen Bomber Charges

United Nations, N.Y. — The Soviet Union was considering today how and when to reopen its Security Council charges that American nuclear bombers threatened world peace by flying toward Soviet boundaries.

A. Sobolev told a news conference Tuesday the issue still was before the council although on Monday night he withdrew a demand for a vote on a resolution asking the United States to end such flights.

Moscow radio backed up Sobolev's statements and said the United States and other nations opposing the Russian position showed that "far from wanting to ease international tension they want to heighten it."

Sobolev said he withdrew his demand for a vote because U.S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, Council president for April, had "gagged" the 11 nation group—a charge Lodge promptly denied.

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FLOOD DANGER TAPERS

Cooler Weather Eases Threat Near Pendleton

By UNITED PRESS

Cooler temperatures eased the flood danger on McKay creek near Pendleton today but at the same time brought a return to winter-like conditions in parts of Oregon.

The inflow at McKay dam, about five miles south of Pendleton, dropped considerably due to less melting snow. The cooler temperatures also held down the swollen Umatilla river.

Acting Mayor Jack Howard of Pendleton said 44 families who evacuated their homes in the Montee addition area near Pendleton were advised not to return until McKay creek dropped further.

Mercury Goes Down

Temperatures tipped below freezing in eastern Oregon during the night. Bend had a low of 16, Redmond 22, Klamath Falls and Burns 26 and Baker 32. No frost was reported west of the Cascades in Oregon although some temperatures near freezing may have occurred in agricultural sections at ground level, the weather bureau said.

A cold air mass which moved into Oregon from the interior of western Canada dropped the freezing level at Salem early today to 2,600 feet and at Medford to 3,500 feet. Continued cold temperatures are in prospect for Oregon through next Monday, with lighter precipitation than during the past few days forecast.

Power Poles Burn Lightning Tuesday evening struck the Keeler-Tillamook substation and knocked out power for more than half an hour in the Vernonia-Tillamook area, Bonneville Power Administration reported. The lightning strike set fire to three wooden poles and severed the 115,000-volt line about 1 1/2 miles from Tillamook.

The Santiam river at Jefferson had dropped half a foot from its Tuesday crest near flood stage while the Willamette was up slightly, but still far under the flood mark in the valley. The Columbia river at Vancouver, Wash., was nearing its 15-foot flood stage with a 14.6 reading today.

Major Crime in Portland Increases Washington — The United States Justice Department reported today that the number of major crimes in Portland increased by 8.5 per cent in 1957. The national increase average was 9.1 per cent.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said 11,637 major crimes were "known to police" in Portland last year. Across the Columbia river in Vancouver, Wash., there were 607 major crimes, a decrease of nine from the previous year.

Portland had a 100 per cent increase in the number of murders, from 10 to 20.

WEATHER FORECAST: Clear to partly cloudy tonight and Thursday. Continued cool. Low tonight 32. High Thursday 60.

Highest Yesterday 52 Lowest This Morning 35 Precip. To 10 a.m. Today .02

Our Skies Tonight Sunrise 5:19 a.m. Sunset 7:02 p.m. Moonset 11:25 p.m. The Moon rides high tonight and is seen between Betelgeuse and El Nath. It is a little near Betelgeuse, the brighter of the two stars.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES New York — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 450.11, up 0.56; 20 railroads 109.66, off 1.10; 15 utilities 76.59, up 0.16, and 65 stocks 155.53, off 0.11. Sales today were about 2,720,000 shares compared with 2,440,000 shares Tuesday.

Local Candidate Seeks Opinion on Weather Forecast

Carlos Morris, local mortician and candidate for county coroner, is awaiting an opinion on whether or not his weather forecast program on KBES-TV can be considered a political broadcast, he said this morning.

He was notified by the television station that the Federal Communications Commission has ruled his program is a political broadcast. The FCC regulation states that whenever a political candidate appears before a microphone that broadcast constitutes a political broadcast.

Limited Expenses Morris explained that he is limited to \$250 in campaign expenditures by state law. That means that he must drop his daily program, costing about \$60 a night, if a broader interpretation cannot be applied.

Through County Clerk Bereth P. Hopkins, he has requested the elections division of the secretary of state's office in Salem to look into the matter. The secretary of state's office will probably request a ruling from the state attorney general's office, Mrs. Hopkins explained this morning.

Morris said this morning that he has had the program for four years so doesn't see how it would be a political broadcast. No political campaigning is done on it. The weather broadcast is a public service, he added.

Mrs. Slaten Given Until May 2 to Plead Mrs. Rosemary Slaten, 33, Gold Hill, has been given until May 2 to enter her plea to charges of larceny by embezzlement, according to the Jackson county district attorney's office.

Her attorney, A. E. Piazza, had requested more time in which to make his investigation into the charges. Mrs. Slaten appeared in circuit court this morning.

The Gold Hill woman is charged with embezzling \$12,000 allegedly taken from the Rogue Valley Physician's service.

She had been granted more time previously in which to enter her plea. She was released earlier this month from Sacred Heart hospital where she had been taken after being found unconscious in her home April 2.

Pumice Hopes High On Indian Land Klamath Falls — A rich source of new income may have been discovered for the Klamath Indians on the reservation north of here.

The Cascade Block company of Grants Pass submitted a firm bid of 10 cents per cubic yard for pumice, deposits on the reservation. Geologists estimated roughly that at that rate the Indian pumice beds would be worth about \$600 million.

A recent appraisal of Indian resources by the Federal government did not take mineral deposits into consideration. A spokesman for management specialists said that if mining of pumice should prove commercially feasible it could have a significant effect on present termination proceedings before Congress.

24 Rescued As Fishing Boat Sinks New Orleans — The Coast Guard said a 123-foot fishing vessel sank today in choppy gulf of Mexico waters. All 24 fishermen aboard were rescued in two separate operations.

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