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HIGHWAY, FARMS COVERED — Waters of the Green river cover a highway and isolate farms on the outskirts of Kent, Wash., as the river, fed by melting snows and

heavy rains, broke its banks. Many have been evacuated from threatened homes. No fatalities have been reported in the worst flood since 1937. —(UPI Telephoto)

Scores of Valleys Awash In Western Washington

Seattle—UPI—Hundreds of valleys in western Washington were awash today, inundated by the region's worst flood in 27 years.

'Obscene' Photos Result in Arrest

James Paul, 40-year-old beautician, of 1076 Stewart ave., was arrested late yesterday afternoon by sheriff's deputies and postal authorities on charges of possession with intent to sell, show and exhibit, obscene and indecent pictures and photos.

Following the arrest on a district court warrant, Paul was arraigned in district court on the charges and released on \$500 bail. The case has been continued until 4 p.m. today.

Sheriff Joe Walsh and Jack Eldwick, postal inspector for this district, conducted four weeks of investigation and Eldwick made a purchase of the pictures classified by Walsh as obscene. Walsh said his department obtained "a quantity" of "obscene" pictures on a search warrant issued by district court. Pictures were found in Paul's home and in his car parked near his business in Medford.

Walsh said the matter will also be presented to the U.S. district attorney for whatever action he may wish to take. Maximum penalty under state law on such a charge is \$500 fine or six months in the county jail or both.

Paul is married, has a daughter almost two years old and a son about seven years old, Walsh said.

Salem—UPI—Gov. Mark Hatfield has appointed Chester A. Moores, Portland, as industrial consultant to the Oregon Department of Planning and Development.

Low Water Table Is Reported in County

Jackson county farmers are plagued this fall with a "definitely low water table," Hendrix said. "A dry fall and summer and a poor water year last year have resulted in the low water table," Hendrix explained. Snow surveys will be made the last week of December or the first week of January to measure the snow pack and determine how much the melted snow in the spring will contribute to water supplies for the area.

"There seems to be no pattern to the water table," Hendrix said. "Some farmers in Dark Hollow and Griffin creek have reported well troubles, and some farmers have been reported to be hauling water for livestock."

Warm Chinook winds continued to move inland over the Pacific Ocean from the southwest promising more rain throughout the area and reducing hopes that freezing weather in the mountains might stem melting snow.

Worst hit were the Snohomish and Green River valleys and the lowlands along their many tributaries. Water from the Green river swirled through one section of Kent, a town of 8,000. Nearby Auburn also flooded in some sections.

Civil Defense authorities estimated that 1,100 persons left their homes throughout the region.

Low Roads Closed
Brig. Gen. William F. Cassidy of the Army Engineers ordered 10,000 sandbags sent to Stanwood where the Stillaguamish river was threatening to flood the town.

All lowland roads were flooded, most of them impassible, but travelers found enough high routes to keep traffic moving.

Cross-state travel was cut off except for limited one-way traffic over Stephens Pass. The main east-west route over Snoqualmie Pass on U. S. 10 was expected to remain blocked until Thanksgiving.

Transcontinental rail traffic was being rerouted south,

then swinging east along the Columbia river. Cascade Mountain pass routes were blocked.

Hundreds of dairy cows and other livestock were stranded and many farmers were forced to milk by hand.

Transmitter Flooded
In Everett, north of here, the Snohomish river flooded into the low-lying areas. Radio station KQTY went off the air as its transmitter site became flooded and all hands turned out to sandbag and operate pumps in an effort to save the new installation. Under ordinary conditions, the transmitter site is about one mile from the river bank.

Complication Threatened
River crests appeared to have moved into the tidal areas where high tides were expected to complicate the situation.

At dawn, the county sheriff's office at Everett reported it had official word the Snohomish river was dropping. At Kent, Civil Defense authorities said they had word from Enumclaw, in the foothills, that the Green river was dropping there and two hours later the swollen river was declining at nearby Auburn. However, water continued to flow over dikes in the valley.

Longacres Race Track, north of Kent, was flooded

over when flood-fighters gave up trying to maintain dikes at Orillia.

Soviet Leader Lauds Atomic Use

Washington—UPI—A Soviet atomic leader told President Eisenhower today he found U.S. activity on peaceful use of atomic energy to be proceeding on an "extremely comprehensive scale." The President met the Russian, Vasily S. Emelyanov, during a busy schedule which included conferences on foreign policy and the federal budget.

Emelyanov, accompanied by Chairman John McCone of the Atomic Energy commission, called on the President to tell about his recent visits to U.S. atomic installations.

The President started off the day by conferring with NATO officials and Secretary of State Christian A. Herter on the NATO foreign ministers meeting in Paris next month.

Balmy Weather Reported in State

By United Press International
Balmy, spring-like temperatures continued in much of Oregon today with only light precipitation.

It got up to 72 at Brookings on the southwest coast Monday and readings in the 60s were commonplace. Only a few locations had below-freezing readings this morning, mostly in southeast Oregon.

Coldest official reading was 27 in Lakeview and Redmond.

The weather bureau said a front has been hanging off the coast for the past two days. This was expected to move inland in a weakened form over northwest Oregon tonight, causing rain on the north coast and a little rain or drizzle over the rest of northwest Oregon late tonight and early Wednesday.

Washington—UPI—President Eisenhower will not hold a news conference this week.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Valley fog tonight and Wednesday with occasional light drizzle. Partial clearing during afternoons. Low tonight 28. High Wednesday 43-45.
Highest Yesterday 38
Lowest this Morning 29
Prec. to 10 a.m. Today, Trace.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 4:43 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:14 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow 1:32 a.m.
New Moon Nov. 30
PROMINENT CONSTELLATION Orion, in the south.
11:10 p.m., will be in the south at moon-rise.
VISIBLE PLANETS
Saturn sets 4:25 p.m.
Venus, low in east 3:41 a.m.

Nations Rally For Assault on Russian Policies

New Hungarian Bloodbaths Hinted

United Nations, N.Y. —(UPI)—The nations of the free world rallied today for a major diplomatic assault on Russia's Hungarian policies in hopes of preventing a new bloodbath of Hungarian patriots who rose against their Red masters in 1956.

The General Assembly meets Wednesday to approve the recommendation of its steering committee that the 1956 Hungarian freedom revolt and its brutal suppression by Russia be put on the agenda of the 82-member world organization.

In previous sessions, the assembly had called upon Hungary and Russia to get Soviet troops out of the country and permit free elections for a new government. The resolutions have been ignored by both Moscow and Budapest.

Sir Leslie Munro of New Zealand, special U.N. representative on the Hungarian question, reported briefly last week that Russian troops are still in Hungary, and "the framework of repression remains unchanged."

Munro said there are reports that trials and executions of Hungarian freedom-fighters continued in spite of Communist assurances that they had been stopped. He warned of the "imminent possibility" of further executions.

Butte Falls Man Electrocuted As Crane Hits Line

Thedford Reddell, a 34-year-old laborer for the Medford Corporation, was electrocuted yesterday morning when a mobile crane accidentally hit a power line.

Oregon state police estimate that 7,200 volts of electricity hit Reddell when a line he was holding came into contact with a California Oregon Power company line by means of a mobile crane.

The crane was being used to attempt to attach the line to some Medco poles when the boom of the crane hit the power line, sending the electricity into the line that Reddell was holding, according to Medco officials.

Neither Reddell or the three other Medco employees with him, had noticed the power line until it was too late. The Jackson county deputy coroner said Reddell apparently died instantly.

The accident occurred on a Medco road near Butte Falls, where Reddell was a resident. He is survived by his wife and three children. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Conger-Morris funeral home.

Newspaper Strike Enters Third Week

Portland—UPI—The strike of Stereotypers Union members against the Oregon Journal and the Oregonian entered its third week today.

"Come On, Lover, Let's Leap!"



Minister, Family Drive Into Bend After Snow Ordeal

Bend—UPI—A young minister today thanked "God's help" for bringing himself, his wife and their infant son through three days of being trapped on the snowbound eastern slopes of the Cascades.

The Rev. Laurence Loftus, 28; his wife, Ruth, 27, and their two-year-old son, James, drove into this central Oregon city Monday. They had been the object of a wide-spread search since Sunday when they were reported missing at Sweet Home, located on the western side of the mountains.

Stuck in Snow
Loftus and his family left Friday in his small foreign car to go on a picnic. They became stuck in the snow after driving up a small road.

Once, he said, they were frightened back to their car by a wolf.

Their disappearance was not noted until Sunday when a member of the minister's congregation discovered the small church was not heated as usual.

Nights in Car
They spent all three nights in the car, keeping warm by occasionally starting the motor and turning on the heater. They had no food after their picnic lunch was gone.

They had planned to hike out Saturday but were frightened back to the vehicle by what they thought was a wolf following them.

Rain fell Sunday and he managed to turn the car around. Finally on Monday they were able to drive here to the home of a fellow minister.

No New Developments Reported in Burglary

There are no new developments on Sunday morning's big burglary of the Eastside Big Y Market, according to city police.

The investigation is continuing on the burglary, in which an estimated \$3,500 was taken, Lt. Lyle Perkins of the city police said.

Eugene—UPI—Douglas R. Spencer, Eugene attorney, has announced his candidacy for Circuit Court judge in Lane county, running for the post now held by Judge Frank B. Reid.

Income Tax Bill Said Not To Be Retroactive

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FAMILY FOUND SAFE—A young Sweet Home, Ore., minister and his family drove into Bend yesterday after spending three days stuck on the snowbound eastern slopes of the Cascade mountains 30 miles west of

Reds Plan to Increase Their Productivity

(Editor's note: This is another in a series of articles prepared by Medford's superintendent of schools following his recent three-week trip to Russia. This series deals with Russia's "Seven Year Plan." The articles are based on Soviet books, magazine articles, and personal interviews with the ministers of education of the Russian and Ukrainian republics, the deputy mayor of Moscow and the mayor of Tbilisi.)

By **DR. LEONARD MAYFIELD**
Medford School Superintendent

Why has mechanization and automation of production, which would seem to be a purely technical problem, been given the stature of a nation-wide challenge and included in the new program?

We shall never outstrip the leading capitalist countries in production per head of population until we achieve a steep rise in labor productivity. The latter is essential to the triumph of the new social system. In the next seven years labor productivity is to climb 45 to 50 per cent. This will yield all of three-quarters of the planned giant increase in production and will do away once and for all with all arduous manual labor.

But we cannot hope for these results unless we develop technology. This is why automation and mechanization have for us outgrown their technical and economic framework and become a veritable social problem. Automation will serve to gradually erase the essential distinction between mental and physical labor and set the stage for the harmonious development of all of man's spiritual and physical forces. Hence, automation fully merits the description of being the wings of the seven-year plan.

What is comprehensive automation? What is controlling production processes?
Controlling production processes means receiving information about the way they go and analyzing this information, so as to take subsequent decisions on the basis of obtained data. This sounds simple. But it is not, for modern factories and shops are highly intricate and complex organizations. To substitute automation for men in controlling production is an extremely difficult scientific and technological problem.

So far automation are given relatively simple things to do—they control and regulate. A sensitive device makes the machine tool produce parts of desired sizes. Whereas the higher functions—the coordination of a few automations and alterations in pre-set "programs"—still remain with the worker. Yet in our time we need an industry in which "thinking machines" would replace man in almost all sectors of production. Just that is comprehensive automation.

We must develop special control machinery for the comprehensive automation of production processes, of entire shops and entire factories. The first automated plants have already been developed. An automated plant producing automobile pistons has been operating for some years. The automated shop of the First Moscow Ball-Bearing Plant has already yielded a considerable output. An au-

tomated factory serviced by just three workers produces 30,000 electric bulbs per shift. Six automated bakeries supply Moscow's population of more than 5 million with bread almost entirely without human help. One of our tea packing factories increased its output by 40 per cent with 25 per cent less labor through automation. Next year additional machinery will allow the factory to increase production an additional 20 per cent with the same number of employees. That is the type of automation for which we are preparing our people.

That is comprehensive automation.

In our opinion the U.S.A. has failed to successfully meet the problems of automation as we are doing.

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Roseburg Disaster Pictures Available

W. P. (Bill) Roble, Grants Pass, deputy state fire marshal for this part of the state, has a 12-minute color film, plus black-and-white slide pictures, of the Roseburg disaster of last August, which are available for showing to groups in Medford.

On Dec. 2, he will show these to city and public utility employees in Medford in the afternoon, and to firemen of Jackson county fire departments in the evening.

Groups wishing to have them shown may contact Medford Fire Chief Gordon Barker to make arrangements. Roble will be available for such showings on a limited number of dates in the near future.

Items Taken from Crater High School

Central Point—An estimated \$1,951 worth of equipment was taken from the band room, agricultural shop and work shop at Crater High school last night, Central Point police reported today.

Police said burglars also ransacked desks in the district 6C superintendent's office and entered several other rooms in the main high school building. Nothing apparently was taken from the main building, officers said.

From the band room, six instruments, including saxophones and trumpets, were taken. A 16 mm motion picture projector was taken from the ag shop, officers said, and 31 end wrenches were missing from the workshop.

The burglary was reported to police by Joseph Rowden, the janitor. The burglary apparently occurred sometime between 12:30 and 7:30 a.m. today, police said.

Eight Persons Known Dead; Toll Expected to Mount

Chicago Airport Scene of Disaster

Chicago—UPI—A four-engine freight plane, apparently on fire and trying to make an emergency landing at fog-bound Midway Airport, crashed and exploded amidst homes and an apartment house before dawn today.

At least eight persons were known dead, and officials feared the toll might go higher. Nine persons were listed as missing, but identifications of the known dead were made difficult by the condi-

Photos of Crash Are on Page 2

tions of the bodies and it was believed that some of the dead already at the county morgue were persons now listed as missing.

The eighth body recovered was found more than seven hours after the crash. It was believed to be that of a young man.

Pilot Identified

The only positively identified victim six hours after the 3:40 a.m. (p.s.t.) crash was the plane's pilot, Trans World Airlines Capt. Claude W. Helwig, 40, Woodland Hills, Calif., a Los Angeles suburb.

A TWA official said it was believed that the two other crew members of the \$2,000,000 Super-Constellation had also died. They were co-pilot Delmas E. Watters, 37, Los Angeles, and flight engineer Aeron L. Auge Jr., 35, Los Angeles.

Two other victims were tentatively identified as Delean Nichols, 28, and his wife, Jo Ann, 21. Their charred bodies were brought to the county morgue clad in pajamas.

One Engine on Fire
A witness said one engine of the plane was on fire when it took off, bound for Los Angeles. A TWA spokesman said there was an unconfirmed report that there was a fire warning in the plane's cockpit at that moment.

Helwig radioed almost immediately after takeoff that he was swinging back for an emergency landing through the rain and fog. About 10 minutes after the Constellation had left the ground, it smashed down three blocks from the airport on the way back. A cluster of flaming homes and a small apartment building were turned into a flaming junkyard.

Five hours later, firemen still poured water over the blazing ruins.

The Constellation smashed through the roof of one home, bowled over a lamp post, and then roared into two bungalow-type homes. It tail slashed into the corner of a two-story, eight-apartment house building.

Homes Destroyed

Explosions roared from the downed plane and a sheet of billowing flame sprang up.

Three homes were all but destroyed by the fire, which also consumed about half the apartment house.

In the crash area, hundreds of policemen and firemen worked in the orange light of the flames to control the fires and search for the dead. Frightened relatives and neighbors moved about, begging for information about the casualties.

Portland Pharmacy Robbed of Cash, Drugs

Portland—UPI—Two men held up the Rose City Park pharmacy late Monday night. Police said they took about \$340 in cash, \$150 worth of narcotics and pistol-whipped a druggist.

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