

Eastern States Battered Hard By Winter Blast

By United Press International
The center of the season's first blast of Canadian air, which has battered northern regions of the nation for four days, moved out over the North Atlantic today but its trailing edge threatened more havoc.
The Weather Bureau expected that icy winds blowing across the relatively warm mid-40 degree waters of the Great Lakes would spawn new snowstorms today.
Forecasts were for a foot of new snow early this morning in northwestern and north central Pennsylvania. Wind-blown snow was expected from the Ohio Valley, western New York and on through the New England states.
Wind-whipped snow in depths of up to 18 inches and drifts four feet deep, all but paralyzed the cities of Buffalo and Batavia, N.Y., Wednesday, forcing schools to close and slowing industrial output.

Death Toll 12

The toll of deaths taken by the storm since Sunday jumped to at least 12 today. Three persons were dead in both New York and Nebraska, two in both Minnesota and North Dakota and one each in New Mexico and Oklahoma.
As midwesterners waited for the storm to play itself out, a massive new low pressure system pushed inland from the Pacific ocean. The front touched off showers from the Canadian border to Los Angeles and brought new snow to western Montana, Idaho and northwestern Wyoming.

Between the two weather systems skies were fair, but temperatures dipped well below zero in northern Minnesota and the Dakotas. Coldest readings were 17 below zero at Aberdeen, S.D., and 13 degrees below at Huron, S.D.

Freezing Common

Much of the Midwest and Plains States had early morning temperatures well below 20 degrees, while 20 and 30 degree readings were common as far south as the Gulf Coast. Only southern Florida, with a high reading of 72 at Key West, escaped the cold blast.
The Weather Bureau issued its outlook for December today, predicting that the holiday season will be colder than normal in the eastern half of the nation and the northern Plains States.

The greatest drop was expected in the lower Mississippi Valley and Ohio Valley. Warmer than normal weather was forecast for the Rocky Mountain and Plateau States, with near normal readings expected elsewhere.
Precipitation was expected to exceed normal totals along the Pacific Coast, Great Lakes and Atlantic Seaboard with early season snows in the more northerly portions.

Astorian Budget Publisher Resigns

Astoria - (UPI) - Morgan Coe Wednesday was named publisher of the Astorian Evening Budget, succeeding Robert B. Chessman, who resigned as publisher and president effective Dec. 1.
Coe has been general manager of the Daily Alaska Empire in Juneau for the past six years. Before that, he owned and published the Her- rington, Kan., Times-Sun, a weekly; the Westwood Hills, Calif., News Press; the Santa Paula, Calif., Daily Chronicle; and the Ojai, Calif., Weekly Ojai.

Chessman, who has been publisher since 1947, did not announce his future plans, but indicated he will remain in the printing and publishing field.
Chessman's resignation ended 41 years of association with the Astoria paper by himself and his father, Meric Chessman.

Post Office Being Set Up in Seattle

Portland - (UPI) - The Northwest regional post office headquarters were being set up in Seattle today following denial of Oregon's latest appeal to federal courts.

Today was the date set by Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield for the move to become effective. Movement of equipment began Tuesday.

A three judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., Wednesday denied a request by Oregon Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton for a temporary injunction to block the move.
Thornton said court action would continue.
The decision to move the regional headquarters brought an outcry of protests from Oregon leaders.

John Wayne Has Fourth Grandchild

Hollywood - (UPI) - John Wayne became a granddaddy for the fourth time Wednesday.
The wife of Wayne's son, Michael, gave birth to a daughter, 7-pound, 3-ounce Teresa Ann, at St. Vincent's Hospital. The couple has another daughter, Alicia, 17 months.

Red Officials Said Loitering At Missile Base

Chicago - (UPI) - Two Communist officials assigned to the Hungarian legation in Washington were stopped by state police after the officials lingered near a suburban Army Nike-Ajax missile base for more than an hour, the Chicago Tribune today reported.
The Tribune said officials, identified as Lt. Col Laszlo Beres, assistant military and air attache of the legation, and Karoly Hackler, legation counselor, were issued a warning ticket and allowed to proceed after Beres invoked diplomatic immunity.

The incident occurred near a missile base in suburban Orland Park, Ill., one of 24 missile batteries ringed Chicago and Gary, Ind., steel mills.

The newspaper said state troopers' suspicions were aroused when the men's blue, late model sedan circled the base in an erratic manner, sometimes parking on the shoulder of the road. The apparent observation lasted more than an hour.

The Tribune quoted authoritative sources in Washington as saying Soviet agents have used electronic equipment to record impulses from radar and fire direction control centers of missile bases.

Billy Graham To Slow Pace

Los Angeles - (UPI) - Evangelist Billy Graham plans to slow down in the next decade and spend more time studying the Bible.
"When the end of my life comes, I want to be saturated in the scriptures," he said at a press conference Wednesday.

The world-traveling evangelist said he believed one of the most needed programs by churches is to concentrate more on getting a "few members committed to Christ."

He was critical of church groups spending time making pronouncements on social problems such as the recent steel strike.

"We have gotten away from the most important of Christ's teachings - individual repentance and the new birth," he said.

Graham revealed he has received an invitation at some future date to play golf with President-elect John F. Kennedy, and that he supports a white minister in New Orleans who is taking his child to an integrated school.

"If I were in that position, I would keep my child in that school," he said.

Contest To Start Run-Offs for Speech

The preliminary run-offs for the national Toastmaster speech contest will begin Monday, Dec. 5, according to Howard Hopkins. The announcement was made recently at a meeting of the Jackson Toastmasters.

Each week for the next three weeks, one member will be selected by the club as its outstanding speaker. At the last meeting in December the final run-off will be held to select the club's representative for the district contest.

Guest speaker at the last meeting was the Rev. Robert Downey, associate minister of First Methodist church. Robert Hostetter spoke on "How to Recognize a Door," and Dwight Patton talked about the lack of interest among Medford citizens in their support of the United Medford Crusade.

Wilson Edinger traced the outlines of different states on a piece of paper and then each member was required to present a two-minute talk on the state he thought he had been shown.

Reelect Kennedy Group Organized

Salem - (UPI) - A group here has been formed for the reelection of John F. Kennedy as president in 1964.

Mrs. Nina Blixeth, Salem, was named president. Other officers, all of Salem, are Mrs. Roy Green, vice president; Mrs. Reginald Parker, treasurer; and Mrs. William Mulligan, secretary.

Sign Trade Pact

Rabat, Morocco - (UPI) - Communist China and Tunisia signed a second trade agreement Wednesday at a formal ceremony here.

Students Briefly Debate Kennedy

Washington - (UPI) - President-elect John F. Kennedy and a group of Georgetown University medical students had a brief debate Wednesday night on socialized medicine. The students saw Kennedy emerging from Georgetown

Hospital after visiting his wife and shouted: "Keep out socialized medicine."

Just before he stepped into his car, Kennedy yelled back, "I'm for medical care for the aged and you're against so-

cialized medicine . . . and there is no disagreement. It's a matter of definition."

Fontana, Calif. - (UPI) - Police Chief Henry A. Young posed proudly for newspaper photo-

graphers Wednesday standing by a new police car, slated for undercover work, that has no distinguishing markings to identify it. The photos clearly showed the undercover car's license plate number.

Stable Manager Dies

Miami - (UPI) - George Dolan, 56, veteran stable manager of race tracks in Florida, New Jersey and Delaware, died Wednesday.



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