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NEXT POSTMASTER-GENERAL — J. Edward Day, President-elect John F. Kennedy's choice for postmaster general, is shown with the next president after Kennedy announced the appointment. The selection of Day completed Kennedy's cabinet. (UPI Telephoto)

Russia Accused Of Wanting End To United Nations

United Nations, N. Y. — The U. S. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld last night accused Russia and its friends of trying to wreck the United Nations with distortions and impossible demands. Hammarskjöld, in his sharpest rebuttal to a campaign launched last September with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's demand for his resignation, held closely to diplomatic usage and did not mention Russia by name. But he left no doubt about whom he was talking. His statement came at the end of the day's debate on the Congo, the conclusion of which Assembly President Frederick H. Boland put off until Monday because of a reluctance of delegates to speak on a Saturday night. Civilian Government

In yesterday's debate, Britain called for creation of a parliament-approved civilian government for the Congo and prompt, fair, and open trials for Patrice Lumumba and other imprisoned leaders. U. S. Ambassador James J. Wadsworth supported the British proposal and called Russia's Congo actions "a straight policy of rule or ruin."

Hammarskjöld said that although the assembly was supposed to be debating the Congo crisis, "I do not believe that anybody is in doubt that for some time the real issue might better have been called 'the situation in the United Nations.'"

"For reasons made clear to the members of the assembly in September, a concerted and consistent effort has been made in order to create conditions for a radical change of the administrative structure of the organization, and, with that in view, to erode whatever confidence there may be among members in the integrity of its secretariat," he said.

WEATHER FORECAST: Intermittent rain and patchy fog Sunday morning. Rain Sunday afternoon and evening. Partial clearing Monday afternoon. Rain Monday night. High today 46. Low tonight 38. High Monday 52.

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Pro-West Laotian Army Drives Reds Out of Vientiane

More Than 150 Killed, 500 Wounded in Fight

Bangkok, Thailand — (UPI) — The Chinese Communist news agency announced Saturday the Communist-supported paratroopers of Capt. Kong Le were withdrawing from the Laotian capital of Vientiane, now in the hands of pro-Western troops.

It appeared the forces of Gen. Phoumi Nosavan had scored a major victory in the battle that has raged for a week and left the administrative capital of Laos withered and splintered buildings.

Peiping said the Kong Le forces had "decided to withdraw government organizations and headquarters of the royal Laotian army from Vientiane" so they could "wage protracted struggles" in the future against the Phoumi forces.

Flushing Snipers A dispatch from Vientiane said anti-Communist patrols were flushing snipers and looters out of shops and homes in Vientiane and that refugees were beginning to filter hesitantly back into the capital.

Officials in Vientiane estimated casualties in the fighting at more than 150 dead and 500 wounded but said there was no official count. Army officials here said the road was clear three miles beyond the Vientiane airport, used by the rebels to bring in Soviet supplies. One rebel broadcast intercepted in Vientiane said the leftist forces had been ordered to withdraw 200 miles to the north.

900 Prisoners Taken The right wing Laotian radio in Savannakhet reported that Phoumi's troops had captured 900 prisoners and seized 1,105 guns, including two heavy mortars in Vientiane.

The broadcast said King Savang Vatthana had approved the cabinet formed by pro-American Prince Bou Oum Champassak as the legal government of Laos.

The broadcast said Prince Bou flew Friday to the Royal capital of Luang Prabang which the New China news agency yesterday said was under attack by Red Pathet Lao guerrillas. The official Communist radio reported Luang Prabang in northern Laos was encircled by Pathet Lao forces.

Freeway Discussion Scheduled by Group Victor Wolfe, of the state highway department, will explain freeway construction through Jackson county as part of the planning advisory group meeting Wednesday, at 8 p.m., in the county court-house auditorium.

Wolfe, as administrative assistant to the state engineer, will explain freeway locations in relation to the various communities and interchange systems to serve the cities.

Medford, Ashland, and Jackson county planning commission representatives are scheduled to show maps of their areas in relation to the freeway.

Salem, Ore. — Gov. Mark Hatfield said Saturday the New York air tragedy is cause to accelerate Oregon's planning for a second major airport to serve the heavily populated northern Willamette valley.

MANY DIE WHEN AIR FORCE PLANE CRASHES IN MUNICH



TRAGEDY IN GERMANY—A U.S. Air Force plane, carrying American students to England for the holidays, crashed into the streets of Munich, Germany Saturday, killing an estimated 70 persons. Wreckage of a streetcar and part of the plane can be seen in the above picture. (UPI Radiotelephoto)

Airliner Possibly Off Course Prior To Air Collision

New York — (UPI) — A Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) spokesman said Saturday one of the two giant airliners which collided over New York may have been off its assigned course.

Philip Goldstein, chief of the accident investigation division of the CAB and coordinator of the intensive investigation of Friday's crash, said one of the planes was being tracked on radar and, on the basis of information at hand, the other was not.

Goldstein said that if both the Trans World Constellation and the United Air Lines DC-8 jetliner had been under "positive control" of their respective control towers for their landing approaches, it meant one of the planes was off course.

Doesn't Know He was asked specifically if both were under "positive control," Goldstein replied: "I don't know that."

Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) Administrator Elwood R. Quesada said earlier that it appeared both were under the positive control of the control towers. The Trans World plane was bound for Laguardia airport and the United jetliner was to land at Idlewild International airport.

Goldstein said preliminary investigation revealed that the TWA plane was being tracked on radar at the Laguardia airport control tower as it began its approach to the field.

He was asked if the United plane was being tracked at Idlewild.

"I don't believe that the United Airlines plane was being identified on that (radar) scope, as of the information we have now," he said.

He said the investigators had not determined if either plane experienced mechanical failure.

New York Crash Toll Reaches 140 As Survivor Dies

New York — (UPI) — The collision of a jetliner and a Constellation over New York in history's worst aviation disaster set off a massive five-way investigation Saturday as the 11-year-old sole survivor of the tragedy lost a painful 27-hour fight for his life.

The death toll stood at 140 and authorities feared it might rise.

The basic problem posed by the crash of the United Air Lines DC-8 jet and a Trans World Airline Super-Constellation in a snowstorm was how to control ever-increasing air traffic over cities in the jet age.

New Drama At the same time, the poignant death of little Stephen Baltz, of Wilmette, Ill., brought new drama to the

Ashland Hospital Work on Schedule Ashland — Construction of Ashland's new \$375,898 hospital is progressing on schedule, according to F. R. (Scotty) Fairweather, contractor for the project.

Only one working day has been lost due to bad weather, Fairweather said. Completion of the 34-bed hospital is scheduled for November, 1961. Fairweather and city officials signed the contract for the project Sept. 28. It calls for completion of the hospital within 270 working days. The hospital site is on the corner of Maple and Chestnut sts.

All cement footings in the excavated and unexcavated portions have been completed. Walls in the excavated section are in place, according to Fairweather. He said that one wall in the excavated area is in place.

Plumbing pipes in the unexcavated area have been installed and convenience tunnels are completed. When completed, the hospital will have 20,845 square feet of floor space.

Appointments Few For Bloodmobile Only 20 appointments have been received by the Red Cross for the Wednesday, Dec. 21, visit of the Bloodmobile to the local chapter house, 60 Hawthorne ave.

The Bloodmobile will be here from 1 to 5 p.m., and 350 donors are needed to obtain the 200 pint quota. Appointments for the Wednesday visit are now being accepted by the Red Cross by telephoning Spring 3-3813.

New Order Issued To Halt Purchase Of Foreign Goods

Washington — (UPI) — The defense department Saturday issued a new "buy American" order which will bring to nearly \$350 million annually the total expected to be saved in the current drive to trim military spending overseas and reduce the flow of dollars abroad.

The latest order prohibits purchase of foreign goods or services with Congress-approved economic conditions in where U. S. prices or bids are more than 25 per cent above those of foreign firms.

This is expected to save \$85 million a year. An equal or larger amount may be saved by "buy American" policies already instituted in overseas military stores—where no appropriated funds are used because the money is obtained from sales to servicemen. The steps are being taken to slow down the outflow of U.S. gold which has been running at a rate of nearly \$4 billion a year.

Biggest Savings Still bigger savings will come later from the Pentagon's "gold dollar widow" order, which was modified this week to reduce the number of military wives and children overseas to 265,000 from the present 484,000.

That reduction will be accomplished in two years. It is expected to save \$215 million annually. On the average it costs \$1,000 a year in gold to maintain a dependent overseas.

Delake, Ore. — Constanzo Bianco, 27, a Newport duck hunter, drowned Saturday in Devil's lake here.

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When the DC-8 screamed to earth like a missile, the tail section ripped off, throwing little Stephen, son of William S. Baltz, general counsel of the Admiral Corp., into the snow-covered street.

The boy was on fire, but the flames were beaten out by rescuers. Stephen fought for his life throughout the night despite burns over much of his body, seared lungs and a fractured leg.

The end came at 1 p.m., EST. It was announced by Stovie's father, who thanked people across the nation and around the world for telegrams of good wishes and the hospital staff for their efforts to save his son.

State Department Red Carpet

WELCOME! DEAN RUSK, ADLAI STEVENSON, CHESTER BOWLES



Plane Hits Atop Streetcar; All Passengers Dead

11 U.S. Students On Holiday Outing

Munich, Germany — (UPI) — A U.S. Air Force plane taking American students on Christmas vacations crashed in flames Saturday atop a crowded streetcar, killing all 19 persons aboard and an estimated 40 to 50 streetcar passengers and pedestrians.

The twin-engine plane clipped a church spire in thick fog, apparently while trying for an emergency landing shortly after takeoff for England. Seven crewmen and 12 students, one of them the son of the pilot, were killed.

Mayor Hans Vogel reported 16 other persons on the ground were injured.

The crash came one day after a plane collision over New York killed at least 140 persons. Many of the circumstances were similar to the New York crash — Christmas travel, foul weather, and fiery death raining from a leaden sky.

More Killed on Ground It was the first time in history that a commercial plane wreck killed more persons on the ground than aboard the plane and it pushed the year's toll in air tragedies to more than 1,200 dead.

The pilot of the twin-engine C-131 Conquest plane took off from Munich-Rhein airport and radioed almost immediately that he was in trouble. He appeared to have been trying to make an emergency landing in the Theresien-Wiese park where the Munich Oktoberfest is held.

The plane was taking students from the University of Maryland overseas college at McGraw barracks to Northolt Airport, England, for the holidays.

Thousands Shopping In Martin Greif street, forming part of the oblong square outside St. Paul's Roman Catholic church, thousands of Bavarians shopped on "Golden Saturday," the last Saturday before the Christmas holidays.

Fog was so thick, motorists were groping through streets with headlights ablaze.

At 2:05 p.m. (8:05 a.m. EST), residents of the city 40 second bombed out in World War II thought they had been bombed again.

The plane snapped a cross from the spire of St. Paul's and copper roofing hurtled through the air. The main piece of wreckage smashed into the second section of a tandem streetcar. The car went up like a torch, and screaming men, women and children poured out, most of them to die in flames on the street. Almost all aboard were killed.

Front Not Touched The front section of the trolley was not touched. Pedestrians waiting for a traffic light were wrapped in sheets of flame that killed them on the spot.

A passing auto was caught in the flames, and all in it died. At least two houses were burned out.

The streets were slippery with slush from a snow last week. In the fog the flames rose bright and eerie. The wreckage was so hot no one could go near it until the flames subsided and the twisted metal cooled.

Badly mutilated bodies lay around the wreckage, those of pedestrians as well as of those who had been aboard the plane and the streetcar.

Police estimated 10 to 15 of the victims were pedestrians, many of them carrying Christmas packages.

Medford Post Office Remains Open Today The Medford post office will have one window open for business today from noon until 5 o'clock. Postmaster Moore Hamilton, announced. Persons wishing to mail and pick up packages and general delivery mail, as well as purchase stamps will be accommodated, he said.

Kennedy Names Day Postmaster-General

Palm Beach, Fla. — (UPI) — President-elect John F. Kennedy Saturday completed his cabinet, the youngest cabinet of the 20th Century, by selecting J. Edward Day, Adlai E. Stevenson's former law partner and a California insurance executive, as postmaster general.

Kennedy and the future postmaster general immediately promised to do something about the mail service in

which a regular letter takes eight days to get from Washington to Boston.

Asked about the possibility of restoring twice-a-day mail delivery, Kennedy said wryly, "having mailed a letter (from Washington) to Boston and have it take eight days to get there . . . I am hopeful we can improve the postal service to at least once a day and maybe better."

The average age of the Kennedy cabinet at time of appointment was 47.3 years, ranging from Robert Kennedy, 35, who will be attorney general, to Gov. Luther H. Hodges of North Carolina, 62, the new secretary of commerce.

Brawley Named Deputy In addition to the Day appointment, Kennedy from the sunny patio of his oceanfront villa here, also announced the selection of H. W. (Bill) Brawley, chief of staff director of the Senate post office and Civil Service committee since 1951, as deputy postmaster general.

Brawley is a native of Lockhart, S.C., but has resided with his wife and two daughters in Alexandria, Va., for a number of years. Today the President-elect will name Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Democratic national committeewoman from California, as treasurer of the United States, to succeed Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest.

With the cabinet appointments out of the way, Kennedy can now devote attention to secondary appointments and broader policy planning. He has been in frequent touch with some of his cabinet members and plans to assemble the full cabinet for conferences prior to the Jan. 20 inauguration.

Department Has Deficit Both Kennedy and Day stressed their hopes of getting the post office department back on its financial feet. The post office has an annual budget of about \$3.8 billion and the current deficit is running at an annual rate of nearly \$800 million.

"We are anxious that the post office be run in the most efficient way possible, that it have the best possible service, that its employees enjoy the best possible working conditions," Kennedy said.

Day, vice president of the Prudential Insurance Company of America in charge of western operation, followed with a similar statement of purpose.

Plans Made To Improve Reservoir Area

A Jackson county parks and recreation commission committee Friday afternoon made tentative plans to improve the services at the Howard Prairie reservoir area.

City-County Parks and Recreation Director Robert Hawthorth and Commissioners Lawrence V. Espey, Medford, and J. F. Eberhart, Ashland, met with concessionaire Robert Johnston of Johnston Stores, Medford.

The commission originally had asked Johnston to give a report on his summer activities and make recommendations for improvements. The report, plus a survey of similar recreation sites in Oregon, Washington and California, formed the basis for the tentative proposals.

These are to either ask the county court for a tax-supported operation for all serv-

ices in the recreation area or establish a straight fee plan in hopes the fees will cover the total operational costs, Hawthorth explained.

A proper amortization reserve for capital improvements in the current budget which the county may put into operation would be needed, too, the recreation director added. So far the county court has not decided to do anything further with recreation facilities, Hawthorth explained.

County Judge Earl Miller emphasized Friday that the county court has done all it can under law and within present time limits. He pointed out that the Howard Prairie recreation area was turned over to the county only recently, and that the court had provided for recreation services in the area months before that.

He also pointed out that he, personally, had asked the county budget committee for the last two years for a greater recreation allocation and had seen the request whittled down.

Haworth said a third possibility is a combination of fees and charges plus some free service.

"We will recommend to the county court that it approach Johnston stores and ask that the concessionaire take on the responsibility over and above the stipulations in the present 18-month contract," Hawthorth said. "These are services which the committee now feels will be necessary to properly handle the operation."

The committee feels the following services will be necessary to properly handle the operation: (1) a proper garbage collection system to take care of the daily collection of trash and garbage in the developed recreation area; (2) maintenance of restrooms in a proper manner; (3) county or concessionaire to be responsible for operation of the diesel pump for the water system; (4) daily cleaning of all campsites and the picnic area; (5) cleaning out camp stoves and generally policing the camp area; and (6) proper traffic control at boat launching and parking areas during peak load days as on holidays and week days.

"We recognize these five services are needed now," Hawthorth said. "We have to determine if we would be out of line assigning certain fees and charges for services. We are trying to come up with a reasonable answer on how to handle these needed additional services."