

PINE LABOR RAISE NEGOTIATED

In The Day's News

The Herald and News

WEATHER NEWS
May 31
Max. (May 30) 79 Min. 59
Precipitation last 24 hours .81
Stream year to date 19.68
Normal 31.15 Last year 35.92
Forecast: Overcast with light showers.

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Romanian Police Threaten Yanks

BUCHAREST, May 28 (Delayed) (AP)—Three American officers and an enlisted man who intervened in the arrest of a confidential Romanian employee of the U. S. military mission Monday were threatened with violence by Romanian police, one of the Americans said today. Another confidential Romanian employee of the U. S. military mission and a woman working in the finance office of the U. S. legation were under arrest and held incommunicado at Malmason prison. The communist-dominated Romanian regime has rebuffed efforts of U. S. officials to learn the reasons for their arrests, their condition and ways in which they can be assisted.

CIO-IWA And PIRC Agree On 5c Hike

A 5 cents an hour increase for some 5600 CIO-IWA pine industry workers of Oregon and California has been agreed upon by negotiators for the union and the Pine Industrial Relations Committee, Inc., it was announced here today. The increase, if approved by individual unions, operators and the wage stabilization board, will boost the minimum sawmill rate to \$1.973, and the minimum box factory wage to \$1.05. Under the agreement, the wage boost will become retroactive to April 1, 1946, and will fix wages for one year, or until April 1, 1947. The negotiated wage raise maintains the manufacturing differential within the industry, as well as the 24 cents differential between pine and fir.

Homage Paid To War Dead

Klamath's World War II dead were honored in a simple and dignified Memorial Day ceremony yesterday morning and the white shaft on the courthouse lawn was banked with hundreds of floral tributes to the 175 names listed on the monument. Dayton E. Van Vactor, ex-major in the army and Klamath Falls attorney, stood directly before an inscription on the monument recalling Lincoln's words, "We hereby resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain," when he asked an audience of several persons to rededicate America to the principles for which the men named on the shaft gave their lives. He stressed that "these men did not die to have communism, fascism or any other 'ism' come into America" and charged his listeners that the only way they could serve the dead is by resolving to keep the high ideals they fought for. After Van Vactor's talk, the commanders of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion placed wreaths at the base of the shaft, and the courthouse lawn ceremony ended with a rifle volley by marine riflemen and "Taps" by a marine bugler. From the courthouse the marching units went to Linkville cemetery for rites conducted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Basin Area Affected

Affected are the operations in the Klamath Basin district council of the CIO-IWA as well as the California provisional council of that organization, and members of the PIRC having contracts with the CIO-IWA. These include some 23 companies in the Klamath Falls, Medford, Central Oregon and California areas, with a total employment of around 5600. Operators in the Klamath area include Weyerhaeuser Timber Company, Ewauna Box company, Big Lakes Box company, woods, Klamath Basin Pine Mills, and Chiloquin Lumber company. Major operations of the region affected include the Medford Corporation, Woods, Brooks-Scanlon and Shevlin-Hixon at Bend, Ochocho Lumber company at Prineville, McCloud River Lumber company of McCloud. The PIRC and the AFL negotiators are still negotiating. The last raise obtained by the CIO-IWA workers of the area was shortly after the first of the year.

Emperor Calls On MacArthur

TOKYO, May 31 (AP)—Emperor Hirohito, a quiet little man in a plain business suit, made his secretly-arranged second call on General MacArthur at the U. S. embassy today. The two reportedly talked of food, of reconstruction, and of the vast changes in Japan since Hirohito had come hat in hand to MacArthur's door for the first time last September 27. Hirohito's Terasaki, of the imperial household ministry, acted as interpreter and was the only other person in the room. He told newsmen only that a variety of topics had been discussed. Other sources in the household ministry divulged the general subjects covered in the hour and a half meeting of emperor and conqueror. The meeting came just three days ahead of the scheduled opening of international war-crimes trials in Tokyo. MacArthur declined to comment to the press; so did his staff. Hirohito was accompanied to the embassy by Imperial Household Minister Yoshitami Matsu-daira. There were no guards, and the two-car cavalcade left Premier Shigeru Yoshida's office said it was unaware of such a call. The emperor's power has waned so perceptibly since his September visit to MacArthur's residence that today's meeting doubtless will cause little of the repressed indignation provoked by his first call. Many Japanese at that time were visibly shocked that one so high as their emperor would condescend to leave his palace for such a purpose.

Ku Klux Issue Stirs Georgia

ATLANTA, May 31 (AP)—The resurgent Ku Klux Klan, faced with a fight to retain its charter and a \$700,000 bill from the tax collector, has become a primary issue in Georgia's torrid governor's race. Gov. Ellis Arnall, who announced he would seek through judicial and possibly legislative channels to "de-hood" the order, contends the Klan's chief political preoccupation is the governor's race. For days the Arnall-backed candidate, James V. Carmichael, young business man and legislator, has been attributing Klan sympathies to his opponents, ex-governors Gene Talmadge and E. D. Rivers. The admitted aim of the Klan is retention of the traditional "white democratic primary" of Georgia, which the U. S. supreme court has said must go. Talmadge, who is campaigning on a program of "white supremacy," has said that he would welcome votes from the Klan if anyone else favoring circumvention of the supreme court's order through legislative act.

Chinese Troops Move On Harbin

PEIPING, May 31 (AP)—Gen. Tu Li-ming reported from Changchun today that Chinese government troops have gained the south bank of the Sungari river, near Taoliachao, 70 miles south of Harbin. Tu, commander of the government's central Manchuria force, said the communists abandoned large quantities of vehicles and heavy cannon south of the Sungari, apparently because of inability to remove them in their swift withdrawal north from Changchun.

McNarney Demands Reich Economy Aid

BERLIN, May 31 (AP)—Gen. Joseph T. McNarney demanded today fulfillment of the Potsdam agreement's provisions to administer Germany as an economic unit as necessary to pull the country out of an economic crisis which has grown critical in the western zones.

President Reveals Stalin Rejected White House Bid

WASHINGTON, May 31 (AP)—President Truman announced today he invited Marshal Stalin to visit Washington about 30 days ago, but Stalin declined because his doctors advised him against a long journey. At a news conference Mr. Truman said that he asked Stalin to make a social visit here while the Paris conference of foreign ministers was in progress. The conference ended two weeks ago. It was his second invitation to Stalin to visit Washington, the president said. The first was made the time of the Potsdam conference last summer and refused by Stalin for the same reasons of health. Asked whether he had any plans for seeing Stalin elsewhere Mr. Truman replied he had no immediate plans. Another newsmen sought comment on the exchanges between Foreign Minister Molotov of Russia and Secretary Byrnes over efforts to write a European peace and how those exchanges might affect peace conference prospects.

Speculation has been that the deadlock between the foreign ministers is so tight that a Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) has been insisting in the senate only a meeting of the chiefs of state could make progress. Mr. Truman, however, declined to comment on the peace conference situation or the Byrnes-Molotov exchange. Mr. Truman then was asked whether he was ready to make public his correspondence with Stalin concerning a request for Russian cooperation in a world food program. Stalin turned down the president's idea, explaining it came too late in view of other Soviet commitments. If any such correspondence is given out, Mr. Truman said, it would be released by the state department. In extending the invitation to Stalin, a reporter inquired, did the president indicate what topics might be discussed at their meeting. Mr. Truman grinned. No, he said, he had asked the Soviet leader for a social visit.

Bataan Survivor With Leper Wife

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31 (AP)—Major Hans Hornbostel, 65-year-old survivor of the Bataan death march, accompanied his wife Gertrude, a leprosy patient, today on a special railway car bound for the federal leprosyarium at Carville, La. "We are anxious to get there and get settled," said the major as the couple left San Francisco last night. He is due for an army release soon and has announced he would spend his remaining years with his wife. Mrs. Hornbostel has expressed the belief that she contracted the disease while interned by the Japanese at the Santo Tomas camp in the Philippines.

Houston Calls Rodeo Confab

The question of a Fourth of July celebration here next month will probably be ironed out this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock when interested citizens will attend a meeting called at the chamber of commerce by the chamber president, John H. Houston. Since Wednesday's announcement by the Klamath Buckaroo Days committee that lack of cooperation between that group and civic bodies made it impossible for the sponsoring of a successful rodeo, there has been much speculation as to a celebration over the holiday. There was some talk over the past few days concerning a rodeo presented by private interests. In the meantime, interested citizens took a hand in matters and Houston asked that a meeting be held this afternoon at which representatives of the chamber of commerce, Klamath Buckaroo Days, the fair board, American Legion, county court, merchants' organization, Saddle club, Sheriff's posse, and any individual anxious to see a celebration here over the Fourth, were asked to attend.

Stettinius Asks Release

WASHINGTON, May 31 (AP)—Edward R. Stettinius Jr., has submitted his resignation as this government's representative on the United Nations security council, but President Truman said today he will refuse to accept it. Mr. Truman told a news conference both he and Secretary of State Byrnes want Stettinius to remain as the United States delegate and he believed that Stettinius would agree to do so. Stettinius, the president said, sent in a letter of resignation saying he had completed the job he had agreed to do—that is, the task of helping to organize the United Nations. It was the third time Stettinius had advised Mr. Truman that he was ready to leave government service and return to private life. There have been persistent reports that Stettinius was not particularly pleased with the role of U. N. representative after Mr. Truman and Secretary of State Byrnes made clear that policy was being shaped in Washington rather than by the U. N. delegate in New York.

Slot Machines Called Illegal

SALEM, May 31 (AP)—Slot machines and pinball devices cannot be legally licensed by Oregon municipalities, Attorney General George Neuner ruled here Friday in an advisory opinion. The opinion requested by District Attorney Leland S. Duncan of Harney county stated that an amendment to the state constitution would be necessary before such games of chance could be legally licensed in Oregon cities.

Father Flanagan To Visit Ireland

ROSSLAKE HARBOR, Eire, May 31 (AP)—County Roscommon is planning a big celebration for a famous native son, Father Flanagan of Omaha's Boy's Town, who will arrive early in June. It will be his first visit home in more than 40 years.

Strikers Swarm Aboard Ship



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CCC Wheat To Relieve Feed Lack

SPOKANE, May 31 (AP)—Immediate release of 100,000 bushels of commodity credit corporation wheat for use in relieving the critical feed shortage among poultry flocks of the northwest was announced here today by C. P. Downen, Washington state director of the production and marketing administration. Downen said half of the wheat would go to Washington and half to Oregon. The grain will be from stocks held in the northwest. "We expect to have some of the wheat rolling today to take care of emergency cases," Downen said. He added that the wheat will be sent to feed processors designated by the Washington state feed advisory commission. Downen was advised of the action by Lawrence Norton, western region PMA director, after a conference with Undersecretary of Agriculture N. E. Dodd. Million Bushels Asked. The Washington state PMA earlier this week had asked the government to release one million bushels of the CCC wheat, but Downen said today the amount released would care for emergency needs until promised feed grains arrive from the Midwest. Northwest poultry flocks, which have been slaughtered in great numbers, are in the most immediate need of feed and will get the bulk of the 100,000 bushels but Downen said the door was closed to any cases where livestock losses would be suffered as a result of feed shortages. The grain will go to feed processors with the understanding that they will buy grain from the new crop this summer and return the amounts to the CCC.

Soviets Cramp Pauley Probe

SEOUL, May 31 (AP)—The U. S. reparations commission, seeking to determine if the Russians removed machinery from north Korea, is operating under such tight restrictions in the Soviet occupation zone that Edwin W. Pauley, reparations chief, has protested. Pauley's assistant, Dr. Ernest Klein, disclosed the protest today and presented this version of the situation: Col. Gen. I. M. Chistiakov, Russian military commander, has barred the 10-member commission from two of five industrial areas the commission had selected for inspection. A fiber plant has been closed to the mission, on grounds that it housed Soviet troops. The mission photographer has been forbidden to take photographs on official trips, thus rendering difficult the substantiation of any evidence the mission finds. The mission is closely guarded. It can move about only by prearrangement and consent of the Russians. It must keep together. The mission has been denied air travel to speed up its work, on grounds that north Korea lacks proper landing facilities.

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Klamath's Buying Income 50 Per Cent Over Average

The average person in Klamath Falls had a buying income of \$1550 during 1945. That is 50 per cent greater than the national per capita income of \$1036, according to the annual survey just released by Sales Management magazine and interpreted by the research staff of Standard Insurance company. Klamath Falls' retail sales totaled \$35,343,000 last year. Of this \$7,402,000 was spent for food, \$7,297,000 for general merchandise and \$1,204,000 at drug stores. Last year, retail sales for the whole state totaled \$908,480,000. Of this amount \$250,612,000 was spent for food, \$178,090,000 for general merchandise, and \$33,581,000 at drug stores. Oregon's per capita buying income of \$1306 is 28 per cent higher than the national per capita buying income. The effective buying income of Oregon in 1945 was \$1,710,000,000 or 184 per cent of 1939. The national increase was 127 per cent. Oregon's population as of July, 1945, increased 10.7 per cent over April, 1940, while the

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In this writer's opinion, all this talk of "slave" labor is absurd, indulged in for political effect. Drafting labor, for any purpose other than maintaining the authority of government in an emergency, would be the one sure way to bring on a revolution in this country.

Those who are accused (by implication) of wanting slave labor DON'T WANT REVOLUTION. Anybody knows that.</