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WEATHER	
Max. (Mar. 9) 40	Min. 35
Precipitation last 24 hours... 0.74	
Last year... 10.28	Normal... 8.27
Forecast: Mostly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; scattered showers.	

Roxas Assassination Try Fails

House OK's 1 Cent Up In Gas Tax

SALEM, March 10 (AP)—A 1 cent increase in Oregon's 5 cent gasoline tax to provide \$3,000,000 a year for the next two years for county roads and city streets won the unanimous approval today of the house assessment and taxation committee.

County Share Up

The committee indicated it would approve boosting the counties' share of highway revenues from 15.7 to 20 per cent, and the cities' share from 5 to 12.5 per cent, with all of this increase to come from the added gas tax, which would expire at the end of the next biennium.

The committee said the money would go a long way toward solving the critical financial plight of the counties, which have been forced to use their road revenues for welfare needs. It also will help many cities which are unable to repair their streets, which have not had much maintenance since the start of the war.

Population Basis

The money to cities is distributed on a population basis, while the funds given to counties are on the basis of the number of motor vehicle registrations in the county. Rep. R. C. Frisbie, Baker, submitted a proposal to have the county distribution system changed to the federal system based on area, population and mileage of post roads.

Assembly Line Methods To Highlight Tule Homestead Drawing At USBR Offices

Assembly line methods will be used for speed and convenience Thursday when Tulelake homestead winners gather at the reclamation bureau offices at the airport for the culminating event of the homestead deal—the actual selection of farms.

A long room in Building 61 at the airport will be used for the purpose, and entrymen will assemble there before a large map of the Tulelake area on which the newly-opened farm units are shown and identified.

The entrymen will make their selections in the order of their numbers on the list, and as each selection is made, the name will be written on the map. The entryman will then be given a card bearing his name, address and farm unit number.

Next step for the entryman will be his water rental application. He will pay the minimum charge of \$2.80 per irrigable acre, and will receive a receipt.

He will also be given a certificate from the examining board showing he is a qualified entryman and has paid his rental.

U. S. Commissioner Bert C. Thomas will be on hand, representing the bureau of land management, to accept the homestead entry forms from the selectees. That form, properly made out, will be sent with copies of discharge papers and the certificate to the Sacramento regional office of the bureau. This will save the entryman a personal trip to the land office to file his entry. Those who wish to take advantage of this method will pay a fee of \$4.

To assist homesteaders in making payments for water rentals, etc., Manager R. M. Prior of the Tulelake branch of the Bank of America will be on hand to issue cashier's or certified checks for those needing them.

It is hoped to complete this job for the 86 homesteaders on Thursday, but if necessary, it will go over to Friday morning.

The new homesteaders must wait until they receive acknowledgments from the Sacramento land office before going on the land. These are expected in time for the homesteader to begin actual residence and farm operations by April 1.

The law requires that the entrymen must establish residence in six months and must notify the Sacramento office they have complied.

Basic homestead law requires three years residence, and actual residence on-the-farm of seven months for each year, in order to obtain a patent to the land. However, the 1944 act gives credit for service in the armed forces, against the three-year requirement, up to two years. On the other hand, crop requirements under the homestead law and bureau of reclamation regulations will make it necessary for the entrymen to operate their farms at least two years before applying for patent.

Blocks Revolt



The Paraguayan government of President Higinio Morinigo (above) claimed to have smashed an armed revolt in the capital city of Asuncion.

Philippine President Misses Death

MANILA, March 10 (AP)—An attempt to assassinate Philippine President Manuel Roxas was made today when a hand grenade was thrown on the platform where he had just finished speaking.

The grenade was thrown by an unidentified person as the president concluded his speech in the grandstand at Plaza Miranda in front of historic Quiapo church.

Roxas was uninjured. He left immediately for Malacan Palace. Police threw a cordon around the grandstand in an effort to trap the would-be killer.

The grenade exploded just 20 feet from President Roxas. Malacan Palace announced late tonight he was resting well after the incident.

Photographer Hit

Photographer Emilio Maglana, who was taking pictures of President Roxas, was injured by the grenade. Shrapnel pierced the right side of his back.

The large crowd assembled to hear President Roxas speak was panic-stricken by the explosion.

So far as could be determined, the photographer was the only person injured.

The spokesman at the presidential palace credited Jose Avelino, president of the senate, with saving Roxas' life.

He said Avelino kicked the grenade away a moment before it exploded.

It was hurled accurately at the president as he sat down after finishing his speech.

The constitutional amendment which the president was advocating provides equal economic opportunities for United States citizens in the development of the Philippines.

Truck Driver Hurt In Wreck

A big truck and trailer, bound from Wenatchee, Wash., for Hatfield, Calif., to pick up a load of starch, crashed into a boulder at the side of the road near Bargay Springs early Sunday afternoon and injured the driver, George Wentworth, 33, Wenatchee resident.

The machine's steering knuckle apparently broke as it approached the springs, state police observed, and the truck and trailer tore into the left side of the highway, hit a boulder and the impact turned the big outfit completely around after smashing in the front end. Wentworth suffered a broken collar bone, fractured jaw bone and other hurts.

Passing motorists took Wentworth from the scene to Klamath Valley hospital where he was reported recovering today. The truck-trailer did not obstruct traffic, police said, and was towed into Klamath Falls later in the day. The accident occurred at 2:30 p.m.

Wentworth is employed by H. A. Broers company and was driving the empty truck-trailer to Hatfield where he was to pick up a full load for the return trip to Wenatchee.

Colds Still Hit Schools

Influenza and colds, which reached epidemic proportion the middle of last week, continued unabated today and the Monday morning census of students in the city grade schools showed 528 absences, or 107 more than last Friday.

At Klamath Union high school 208 students were absent, and five teachers and both office secretaries, smitten by the bug, the figure was less, however, than Friday when 286 youngsters were away from their classrooms.

Sacred Heart academy, which has an enrollment of 325 students, reported 88 boys and girls were out of school.

Mills school reported 170 absences. Joseph Conger 16, Fairview 80, Fremont 111, Pelican 32, Riverside 40, Roosevelt 79. Teachers absent include Mrs. L. D. Gass, Conger; Mrs. Edmund Attebury and Mrs. Mayme Johnson, Mills; Mrs. William Brissenden, Pelican; Mrs. Chester Newton, Roosevelt; May Phinney, Fremont. Total number of absences in both city grade and KUHS added up to 738. Supt. Arnold Grallap's office advised.

British Look For Spring

LONDON, March 10 (AP)—Rain and snow shrouded the whole island today, but the British—fighting their way out of the worst winter since their grandfather's day—hailed it as meaning spring could not be far behind.

Planes were grounded. Coal ships, held up last week by ice, were held up again by fog and one rail line was busy in Bedfordshire clearing a tunnel blocked by giant icicles.

A thaw was general, however, even in Scotland.

The thaw also was general over western Europe except in Germany, where snow replaced week-end rains and temperatures hovered around freezing.

Engineers of the constabulary force in the American zone were hopeful dynamiting of Danube ice jams had averted a threat to the vital Degerndorf bridge but still were fearful for the power dam at Passau.

Camp Adair Bids Hit Record High

PORTLAND, March 10 (AP)—Bids for 800 Camp Adair buildings were submitted by a record high of 725 persons at a war assets administration surplus property sale today.

WAA officials said it would take two days to open all the bids, and about a week before the board of review will announce the awards. The large number of bidders was attributed to lifting of priorities. The buildings are suitable for conversion to housing or business use, and include such scarce materials as plywood, lighting fixtures and plumbing.

Black Market In Babies Reported

PORTLAND, March 10 (AP)—An Oregon "black market" in babies is reported by Ruth Fagan, Salvation Army representative of San Francisco who heads that organization's 11 hospitals in western states.

She told the organization's divisional congress here that "we know money has changed hands" and that most of the adoptions were by independent placement.

Mine Workers Oppose Moving Up Of Schedule

WASHINGTON, March 10 (AP)—The supreme court today took under consideration a request by the justice department that it put into effect immediately its ruling in the John L. Lewis contempt case.

Lewis and the United Mine Workers filed a petition opposing the government's move to speed up normal procedure.

Court attaches said the justices may announce their decision on the government's request later today, or perhaps later in the week.

The contempt case decision was given last Thursday.

The court upheld contempt convictions of Lewis and the UMW for disregarding a U. S. district court order against last fall's coal strike.

It sustained a \$10,000 fine against Lewis and reduced from \$3,500,000 to \$700,000 one against the union.

The high tribunal directed that the original amount of the fine against the union should be reimposed unless Lewis withdrew a notice to the government that the union was terminating its contract to mine coal.

Lewis was ordered to withdraw the termination order within five days after the high court's mandate was returned to the district court.

Since the miners are under instructions from Lewis to work only until March 31, Attorney General Clark filed with the court last week a motion to make the mandate effective immediately.

Clark said he feared that unless this were done there might be a strike March 31.

US Seamen Held In Holy Land

JERUSALEM, March 10 (AP)—Twenty American seamen were held before a magistrate's court in Haifa today on charges of "aiding and abetting illegal immigration" into Palestine and were ordered held under detention for trial 14 days hence.

The seamen, crewmen of an intercepted Jewish refugee ship, included both Jews and Gentiles. Also under detention at Haifa were an American newspaperman and a French woman writer who were aboard the ship.

A British military announcement today meanwhile disclosed that the week-end death toll from gunfire and bomb blasts had grown to 10.

This announcement said that one British soldier had been killed and six others wounded in a gun and grenade attack on an army installation at Hadera between Tel Aviv and Haifa at 8 o'clock last night. Twenty Jews in the area were questioned, it added, and one was detained.

Nine persons had been killed previously, and British army officers had said they "frankly" were expecting fresh violence as a result of deportation of unauthorized Jewish immigrants aboard the intercepted vessel.

Ranch Suit Filed Here

An equity suit for possession of a large ranch north of Fort Klamath or \$15,000 damages has been filed by Loren Miller, Fort Klamath and Roseburg cattleman, against Mr. and Mrs. Cary V. Loosley, also of Fort Klamath.

Miller's suit is based on a five-year lease dated November 1, 1941, whereby he was to use the ranch for \$3000 a year, with an option to buy. Miller claims that he is now ready to exercise that option but the Loosleys have violated the terms of the lease by refusing to deliver title of the property to him.

He also asserts that a few days before the filing of the lawsuit the Loosleys took possession of the ranch and that he has 300 head of cattle, bought with the intention of pasturing on the range, and no place to put them.

Other lease contract violations alleged by Miller are that the Loosleys failed to pay taxes due on the place, failed to reduce a mortgage held by the state land board and have trespassed on the property.

He is suing for \$5000 damages incurred by not having the pasture for his cattle, and \$10,000 punitive damages, or to have the court order the Loosleys to give up the terms of the contract.

The law firm of Farrens and Maxwell is representing Miller.

Fine Given For Doe Kill

Two ranchhands of the Liskeby Poo valley ranch were fined \$107.20 each in justice court this morning on a charge of unlawfully killing game animals during closed season. They admitted killing a doe on Windy ridge in Poo valley yesterday.

The men, Herman Russell Slinkard and Harvey LeRoy Freeman, were arrested by state and federal game officers.

They had shot the deer, dressed it out and brought the hams back to their cabin, police charged. The officers made the two bring in the rest of the meat, which had not spoiled, and confiscated it all.

Slinkard and Freeman have only been in this region two months, one coming from Minnesota, the other from Missouri.

Chinese Government Puts Formosa Under Martial Law

NANKING, March 10 (AP)—The Chinese government's official Central News agency said today martial law had been re-established to prevent rebellion in Formosa as Chiang Kai-shek declared his intention to maintain order in that newest of China's hot spots.

Chiang blamed "Formosans with communist inclinations and those who served with Japanese expeditionary forces in the Pacific" for fomenting unrest in the island.

A delegation of Formosans came to Nanking to demand self-government and to accuse Chiang's administrator of killing 3000 to 4000 of their countrymen in "a wholesale massacre" to put to shame even Japanese cruelty. Chinese sources had reported 500 casualties in the uprising February 28.

Central News said the Chinese garrison in Formosa had ordered the deactivation of "all illegal civil bodies"—presumably the 35 represented in the Nanking delegation. The martial law order banned meetings and parades and ordered the registration of all civilian firearms.

The agency said the "committee for settlement of the February 28 incident" presumably is attempting to inspire rebellion against the Chinese government, it added that the committee seemed to be assuming the role of an autonomous regime, forming administrative bureaus in 17 cities and towns.

The strength of the opposition seems to confirm reports heard in Formosa a few months ago that a considerable quantity of arms, ammunition and supplies were hidden on the island prior to Chinese occupation at war's end. Previously, Japan dominated the island half a century.

Union Agent To Hear Case

T. S. Beguin, Portland, business representative of division 1053, Northwest Motor Coach Employees union, will return to Klamath Falls Wednesday in the interest of union activities in regard to placing the Klamath Bus company on the unfair list.

This action was taken last week, supported by the Central Labor council, after Beguin appeared before the council on February 28. The union charges the bus company with being unfair and has filed additional charges with the national labor relations board, (NLRB), on the basis of discouraging membership in the union and interfering with union activities.

Louis Soukup, owner-manager of the Klamath Bus company, replied to union charges with the statement that his drivers, non-union members, did not wish to affiliate with the union but had had opportunity to do so under vote procedure. Soukup had no statement to make today.

Riots Subside In Lahore

LAHORE, India, March 10 (AP)—Communal fighting subsided in Punjab's largest cities today as British airborne troops, with orders to shoot rioters on sight, patrolled trouble areas in this restless province.

Reports from outlying districts, however, said that fighting had spread out into the villages and that Hindu properties were being looted. Sir Evan Jenkins, Punjab governor, and Sir John Bannister, inspector general of the provincial police, yesterday flew over Rawalpindi, 160 miles northwest of Lahore, and said they saw smoke rising from "about half a dozen" villages.

Hospital lists in Lahore disclosed that out of 159 casualties admitted during the past nine days, 53 were either dead or injured or died in the hospitals. In Amritsar 88 persons were reported killed and 149 injured.

Fires, Explosions Take Ten Lives Over Week-End

By The Associated Press

Fires and explosions, one of them a spectacular natural gas explosion in Oklahoma, caused the deaths of 10 persons over the week-end.

One man was killed and four others injured in the explosion last night (Sunday) at a gas compressor station near Blackwell, Okla. For more than an hour a 100-foot column of flame roared up from the station.

Three men trapped by flames in an Indianapolis rooming house were among the victims. Two children were burned fatally when their home at Des Moines, Iowa, went up in flames.

A Chicago apartment fire cost three lives. A 79-year-old man in Norwich, N. Y., died after his clothing caught fire.

In York, Pa., about 175 guests escaped injury in a fire at the seven-story Hotel Colonial which caused damage tentatively estimated at \$350,000. Police said the guests evacuated the structure "like a rehearsed drill."

Another destructive fire in which no one was injured swept a city block of Danville, Va.

In Philadelphia, a fire raged for two hours last night across the street from Independence Hall, for a time threatening the historic structure. Twenty-four firemen were overcome by smoke. None seriously. Another Philadelphia fire, confined to the ninth floor of the Sheraton hotel, resulted in no casualties.

In New York City, seven firemen were burned by sticky, burning chemicals that exploded in the basement of a factory building where they were "wetting down" after bringing a blaze under control.

13-Year-Old Boy Shoots Father To Save Mother

LOGANSPORT, Ind., March 10 (AP)—Deputy Sheriff Eugene Burkett said Donald Gene Sisson, 13, was released without charges after shooting and killing his father as the man chased the boy's mother with a shotgun.

Burkett and State Trooper Bernard Leavitt said the mother and her three children told them the father, John R. Sisson, 52, had been drinking since Thursday and became frenzied yesterday.

The officers said Sisson was committed to the state hospital for insane here last November 15, but was paroled to his wife two months ago.

The boy's first two shots missed, but the third hit Sisson's leg and the fourth struck him in the forehead. Donald, before he shouted at his father before each shot, warning him not to shoot his mother.

Fort Klamath Pioneer Dies

George M. Denton, pioneer Fort Klamath rancher and resident of this section for more than 44 years, died suddenly at his home Saturday. Death was attributed to a heart ailment and Mr. Denton was found several hours after his passing in the hay mow of his barn. He had been feeding cattle at the time he was stricken. It is thought he died about 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Denton was born in Jacksonville, Ore., May 5, 1876, and came to this county in the early years of the century. He was active in Fort Klamath affairs and leaves a host of friends to mourn his passing. In addition to his wife, Olive, Mr. Denton is survived by two sons, Albert of Portland, Keith of Somers, Wash., two daughters, Mrs. Daisy Wittle of Grants Pass, Mrs. Esther Boyd of Natchez, Wash., and three brothers, Frank of Fort Klamath, William I. Yakima, Wash., and Lee S. Denton, Grants Pass, all known here.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Earl Whitlock Funeral home Wednesday at 2 p. m. with the Rev. James Zeller and the Williamson River and Fort Klamath churches officiating. Interment will be in the Klamath Memorial park.

Mystery Pilot Piles Up Plane

A Stinson Voyager, four-place monoplane owned by Ken Roundy, Idaho Falls, Ida., was slightly damaged at the airport Saturday night or Sunday morning when some unknown person started up the engine, taxied about 75 feet and rammed into a parked gas truck.

After the accident the mystery pilot got out, pushed the plane back to its original parking place, tied and choked it down and left.

Roundy told police he had parked the plane Saturday morning, securing it with ropes and chocks. When he came back to the port yesterday at 8 a. m. the damage had been done. The propeller of the plane was broken and a tire on the truck cut, apparently slashed by the blade.

Guests Saved In Gary Hotel Fire

GARY, Ind., March 10 (AP)—Quick action by two restaurant employees and the hotel manager was credited today with the escape of 300 guests at the Lake hotel in downtown Gary as a \$200,000 fire swept the west wing yesterday morning.

The manager, Mrs. Rolaie Gross, said she stayed at the telephone switchboard long enough to warn all guests after flames and smoke suddenly shot out a kitchen ventilator fan.

Coast Guard Aids British Ship

NEW YORK, March 10 (AP)—The coast guard here reported today that its cutter Cherokee had taken in tow the S. S. Hawkesbury, a distress 128 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, and should arrive with her at Norfolk, Va., tonight.

The coast guard said the British steamer, Empire Tudor, messaged yesterday she was standing by the S. S. Hawkesbury, that it had no power in its main or auxiliary engines, and that its second mate was dead.

Council To Talk Apartment Fate

The future of the Evans apartment building, 10th and Main, will be a feature of tonight's city council session when a special investigating committee turns in its recommendation.

A committee of five men has investigated the ruins of the burned building to determine whether the structure can be rebuilt or be condemned, and torn down.

Appointment of Leo N. Huls, H. E. Roskamp, L. M. Watkins, Sheldon Brumbaugh and Howard Perrin to the committee followed action taken by the council last week in an effort to reach a speedy decision concerning the building.

BABIES CHANGE CAMPUS LIFE

PALO ALTO, Calif., March 10 (AP)—Campus life has changed at distinguished Stanford university. Babies did it—the babies of GI student families.

Baby buggies now roll where men only once trod, and take their incongruous place alongside stripped-down jalopies. College pennants still are triangular, but the new style is equilateral and hang drying on the line.

If Joe College comes to class with circles under his eyes it's probably not because of the old midnight oil. He probably was hustling up a 2 a. m. bottle for the baby. Or Junior had a touch of colic.

Such problems as the care and feeding of infants, temper tantrums and teething have become academic matters of first importance, ranking with Parady's law, English literature and qualitative analysis.

As a result, Stanford—which began as a men's college—has a baby clinic for the first time. It is conducted twice a month at nearby Menlo park in a veterans' housing project for the university.

Thirteen Die In RAF Plane Crash

NAPLES, March 10 (AP)—Thirteen persons were killed Saturday when a four-engine RAF plane en route from Cairo to Rome crashed against a mountain on the island of Ischia, 15 miles off the Italian coast southwest of Naples.

(RAF headquarters in Rome said that the dead included seven British passengers, an Italian passenger and a five-man crew.)