

WANT TO BE READY TO BARGAIN

WEATHER
Max. (May 31) 81 Min. 43
Precipitation last 24 hours .00
Normal year in date 7.21
Last year 11.16 Normal 10.8
Forecast Clear today and Friday.

There's a new Herald

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Girl Critically Injured in Pine-Up

In The Day's News
By FRANK JENKINS
PRESIDENT TRUMAN, signing the 400 million dollar Greek-Turk aid bill this morning, comments to the reporters:
"This is an important step in the building of peace. . . It offers proof that the U. S. will make a vigorous effort to help create the conditions of peace. . . The conditions of peace include the ability of nations to maintain order and independence and to support themselves economically."
WHAT the United States HOPES to do is to demonstrate to the Greeks and the Turks, and to their neighbors in the Balkans who will be looking on, that free enterprise, which includes freedom of the individual, is a better way of life than communism, under which the individual has to knuckle down to the state.
THE best thing we can do along that line is to make it apparent to all the world BY OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS HERE AT HOME that free enterprise America is happy, efficient and satisfied with its way of life.
Our most competent observers are pretty well agreed that Russia is counting heavily on a breakdown of our system. . . a record of depression, which will create the condition of hopelessness and disillusionment in which communism thrives.
A happy, satisfied, efficient America will do more than atom bombs to lead off communism.
SPEAKING of weapons, a dispatch from Honolulu tells us this morning that 5000 tons of poison gas that has been stored at Schofield Barracks are to be shipped back to the mainland to be converted into cleaning solvent.
That's a new way to beat swords into plowshares.
POISON gas is a tricky weapon that more or less fizzled. The Germans muffed their first surprise use of it in World War I. Among other mishaps, the wind changed and blew the green death (it was chlorine gas) back into their own troops. The resulting confusion gave the British and French time to develop defenses, including gas masks.
Poison gas was outlawed after World War I, but MUCH MORE important than outlawing it was the fact that it is tricky and unpredictable at best (as when the wind changed and blew it back into the Germans who first used it).
Much as we might like to see it, we can't give the conscience of the world much credit for the relatively little use that has been made of poison gas as a weapon of war.
WE'd like to think, of course, that what happened in the case of poison gas will happen in the case of atomic warfare.
Unfortunately, the situations are not parallel. You can drop an atom bomb from a long-range airplane without much immediate danger that it will blow back into your own face. Also atomic warfare offers the hope of knocking an enemy entirely out before he can hit back.
That hope will always tempt conscienceless aggressors.
FROM poison gas to DDT is an easy step.
Over in Idaho today, they are starting to drop DDT from planes on 350,000 acres of timber infested with tussock moth. The tussock moth is a bug. DDT kills some kinds of bugs (not caterpillars, unfortunately; they seem to thrive on it).
But fish and birds live on bugs. We like fish and birds—especially fish, which give us food and a way to quit work and go off to play. The excuse is that FISH ARE FOOD. When we quit work and go fishing, we bring back succulent fish for the whole family. Theoretically, that is. Any cynical wife will tell you that all the fish her husband ever brought back she could put in her eye.
So, you see, there is a fly in the DDT ointment.
IT is a strange and complicated world. A lot of wisdom and
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One of the occupants of this sedan is in Hillside hospital with critical injuries following the crash on the highway north of the city shortly after 12 o'clock last night. Critically hurt is Dorothy Dial, 17.

Crowd Gathers At Midnight Crash On Highway

Fourteen senior members of the KUHS newspaper staff received their first real newspaper experience today as they moved into The Herald and News for a day of work with the staff of the local daily.

Students Help On Newspaper

The students, assigned to the newspaper position in which they are interested, trailed various members of The Herald and News staff throughout the day and attempted to pick up any and all information they could obtain. The advertising, sales, photography, news-writing and news-editing departments of the paper were covered by the high school group.

Grain Yield Faces Cut

SPOKANE, Wash., May 22 (AP)—The wheat crop on hundreds of thousands of acres in the Pacific Northwest reached a critical stage today as a result of a dry, early spring.

Astoria Fights Parking Question

ASTORIA, May 22 (AP)—Astoria is torn between cleanliness and tourists. The city council, complaining that the streets couldn't be cleaned when all filled up with cars, proposed \$3 fines for motorists who park all night on downtown streets.

Gulls Pour Into Cricket Infested Ordinance Area

ORDNANCE, Ore., May 22 (AP)—Seagulls, which the Mormon settlers' crops in Utah a century ago, joined today in a battle over a 500-square-mile area against the newest Mormon cricket infestation.

Hogsback Mountain Work On Sign Halts Temporarily

Progress on the "Keep Oregon Green" sign on Hogsback mountain, the K of which was started this week by the Air Scouts under the direction of Bill Morrow, will be halted until after the Modoc Boy Scout Rendezvous.

Five Killed In Plane Crash

DAYTON, O., May 22 (AP)—Five persons were killed and two others were injured today when a four-engine transport plane from Wright field crashed and exploded in a field about four miles east of Dayton.

New Man To Join GN Staff

The Klamath division of Great Northern will experience a change in superintendents next week, it was announced today, when Frank V. Percival takes over the reins from Thomas A. Jerrow, who leaves for Grand Forks, N. D., to become superintendent of the Dakota division.

REC Program Opens June 16

Date for the opening of the city's summer recreation program has been set for June 16, Samuel H. Smith, recreation director, announced today. Activities will close on August 22.

Bikini Men Get Checkup

WASHINGTON, May 22 (AP)—The navy announced today that a complete blood count has been ordered for all men still in service who took part in the Bikini atom bomb tests last year.

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HONOLULU, May 22 (AP)—The Star-Bulletin said today 5000 tons of poison gas stored at Schofield barracks would be shipped by army transport in the next few weeks to a place where it can be converted into cleaning solvent.

Herald To Start Carrier Routes

In an attempt to give as many of our subscribers as possible a more convenient delivery, the Herald and News is starting an afternoon route to Keno, Dorris, Warden, Midland and the surrounding territory on mail route one.

Car Plunges Off Road, Overturns

A 17-year-old girl is in Hillside hospital in a critical condition, her two companions are in the Klamath county jail and a fourth passenger in the car was being sought today following an accident shortly after midnight last night two miles south of the Keasterson road junction on highway 97.

R. C. Short Death Told

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Mrs. Truman Still Critical

GRANDVIEW, Mo., May 22 (AP)—President Truman said today there was "no perceptible change" in his 94-year-old mother's condition.

Group Seeks Service List

The Klamath County War Memorial committee, in session Wednesday in the city hall, issued a list of names of Klamath veterans of whom the group is anxious to obtain service records from friends or families prior to Memorial Day.

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Strike Said To Be Improbable For Six Months

WASHINGTON, May 22 (AP)—Five big unions prepared today to bargain on their demands on the railroads under procedure which will delay any strike showdown for perhaps six months.

A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, told reporters:
1. The railroad labor organizations feel they have a legal right to call a "quickie" strike any time after Sunday—but do not plan to do anything of the sort.
2. He believes his union and four others allied with it will agree to "start from scratch" under the time-consuming railway labor act in their new negotiations for changes in 44 working rules.
3. He thinks this should result in "a settlement or a breakdown of negotiations by November 17."

Whitney's statement combined dinner and news conference last night jibed with the stand of Alanley Johnston, who said the same thing in Cleveland regarding his Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Some Doubt
There had been some doubt in the case of the trainmen and engineers, growing out of their 48-hour strike a year ago this week. At that time the two unions had gone through all the steps required under the law, had taken strike votes, and gone on strike May 23.

The strike was broken by President Truman when he threatened to use the army to enforce his terms, which were: a pay raise of 18 1/2 cents an hour, but no changes in working rules for one year.

The year ends Sunday, May 25. The trainmen and engineers have never cancelled the strike votes, and they took the position that when the year was up, they had a right to pick up where they left off.

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The new budget has an item of \$67,000 for the city-county jail, and the decision to provide this additional appropriation was one of the factors that made it difficult for the committee to get the budget within the constitutional limitation. Previously, the county had raised \$100,000 for the jail. The city's contribution to the jail cost is now being at \$22,000, and the county's is \$117,000. That makes a total of \$229,000 allotted for this purpose, which is \$109,000 more than was originally intended for the jail.

County officials and budgeters agreed that this is a huge sum to go into the jail, but said that the construction program will be held up to await a decline in building costs. Having the money available will make it possible to move quickly when that happens, they said.

Originally, it was planned to spend only \$130,000 on the dual purpose jail, but building costs have risen so rapidly in recent years that the additional money was budgeted.

The budget committee reported that the original budget estimates as presented to it this year ran
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Eight thousand pounds of sodium fluor-silicate mixture, flown here today from the bureau of entomology in Pendleton at the request of the agent will be spread tomorrow Friday, on the D. O. "Buck" Williams ranch in the Klamath area to the north. Poison mixing stations are already being set up at the Klamath Agency and in Klamath Falls in an effort to combat the anticipated invasion which in the Eastern Oregon section has stripped the fields of all green vegetation.

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