

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Cloudy with occasional showers through Friday. Freezing level near 11,000 feet. Low 40-46. High 53-58.

High yesterday 62
Low last night 42
Precip. last 24 hours .05
Since Oct. 1 .21
Same period last year .56

By FRANK JENKINS

In Washington last night President Kennedy, at his first news conference in six weeks, told the nation he has no "immediate hope" of settling the Berlin crisis and warned that this is "the most dangerous time in the history of the human race."

He said he hoped there would not be war, but that it would take skill, nerve and sacrifice to move through a period of maximum hazard. His discussion of the present state of world affairs is described by the correspondents as a thoughtful and grave evaluation of East-West tension as reflected in Berlin and Southeast Asia.

Some 400 reporters crowded the state department auditorium where the session was held, and the conference was carried "live" to the nation by all major radio and television networks.

Writing from Washington this morning, UPI's Stewart Hensley says the President's greatest concern apparently still is that Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, despite repeated White House warnings, may DOUBT the firm determination of the United States to FIGHT if necessary to defend the freedom of West Berlin.

That brings up a subject that one approaches with considerable hesitation, because it seems to involve criticism of our leader at a time when what he needs is the firm backing of every American in the crisis that is impending.

The reference, of course, is to Cuba—where we backed down at the last minute and left some 2,000 Cuban patriots to go into battle with Castro's forces ALONE. Naturally enough, Premier Khrushchev, having observed that incident and being by nature more impressed by DEEDS than by WORDS, is going to apply pressure clear up to the last minute, hoping (and possibly believing) that what happened in Cuba will happen in Berlin and elsewhere.

But—
For that very reason—

It is particularly necessary that in the present crisis we go ALL OUT in our support of our President, making it so plain that in Berlin we are back of him to the bitter end, no matter what that may be, that Khrushchev will be forced to alter the conclusion that he probably drew from what happened in Cuba.

By doing so, we may be able to avoid the disaster that could ensue from the wrong deductions that Khrushchev not improbably made from the Cuban fiasco.

As great national leaders go in these days, President Kennedy is young. Men learn by experience. Cuba was a bitter experience. The knowledge that his mistake in Cuba could bring on in Berlin a battle that could end in nuclear war is a sobering experience that can enable him to avoid other mistakes.

Planet Life Probe Eyed

NEW YORK (AP)—The United States is developing devices capable of detecting life on other planets, if it exists. They will be installed in unmanned devices that "in the foreseeable future" will be landing on Mars and Venus.

James Webb, National Aeronautics and Space Administrator, told of this Wednesday in a talk to the Space Flight Report to the Nation meeting. He said the detecting devices are being developed at Stanford University's School of Medicine.

Deer Hunter Body Found

SILVER LAKE — A 34-year-old North Bend man was found dead Wednesday afternoon about 1 1/2 miles west of Thompson Reservoir, near here.

Richard Neal Allison, hunting deer with Oscar and Ernest King of North Bend, apparently was shot about 6 o'clock Wednesday morning. His body was discovered by a 21-year-old Portland youth, Leonard Noakes Jr.

Oregon State Police said the bullet entered through Allison's left forearm and then on into his chest cavity. An autopsy was to be held in Lakeview later Thursday.

U.S. Considers Viet Nam Fight

WASHINGTON (AP) — The possibility of direct U.S. military intervention in South Viet Nam appeared to be sharpened today by President Kennedy's decision to send Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor on an urgent mission to assess the growing Communist threat to the Southeast Asian country.

Taylor, a top Kennedy military adviser, is scheduled to leave Sunday, make a fast survey of the increasingly dangerous situation, then give Kennedy an "educated military guess" on the size of the Communist menace and steps that could be taken to meet it. Officials said the U.S.-supported government of President Ngo Dinh Diem is coming under very heavy Red pressure.

The President announced the Taylor mission at a news conference Wednesday at which he also made clear that he will send Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson back to Moscow shortly to resume exploratory talks with Soviet leaders on possible settlement of the Berlin crisis.

Thompson, in addition, is expected to warn the Soviets anew of the dangers of expanding conflict in Southeast Asia and to urge that they cooperate in trying to prevent an outbreak of open warfare which could spread beyond South Viet Nam.

As the President discussed the Southeast Asian and Berlin situations in response to news conference questions, the impression grew among his hearers that he is grappling with the complex and interlocking problems of crises on two fronts.

Other administration officials said his decisions on Southeast Asia when Taylor returns can hardly be made without consideration of American force commitments and possible further needs.

Teamsters' Exodus Seen

NEW YORK (AP) — AFL-CIO chiefs forecast today a substantial membership exodus from James R. Hoffa's Teamsters Union now that the federation has hung out a welcome sign.

George Meany, AFL-CIO president, said he was already busy processing affiliation applications from about 100 of the nearly 900 Teamsters locals.

The AFL-CIO Executive Council voted 24 to 2 Wednesday to authorize Meany to issue charters to locals defecting from Hoffa's rule. Federation officials said they have no idea how many Teamsters may thus decide to switch allegiance, but expect a sizable number.

Hoffa can be relied upon to fight back. He has said he will meet head-on any AFL-CIO threat to his union and is confident that "we'll come out on top."

Meany declined to speculate on whether the open bid for a Teamsters rebellion will result in a labor war.

"We don't go in for headbusting," Meany said. "You'll have to ask Mr. Hoffa about that."

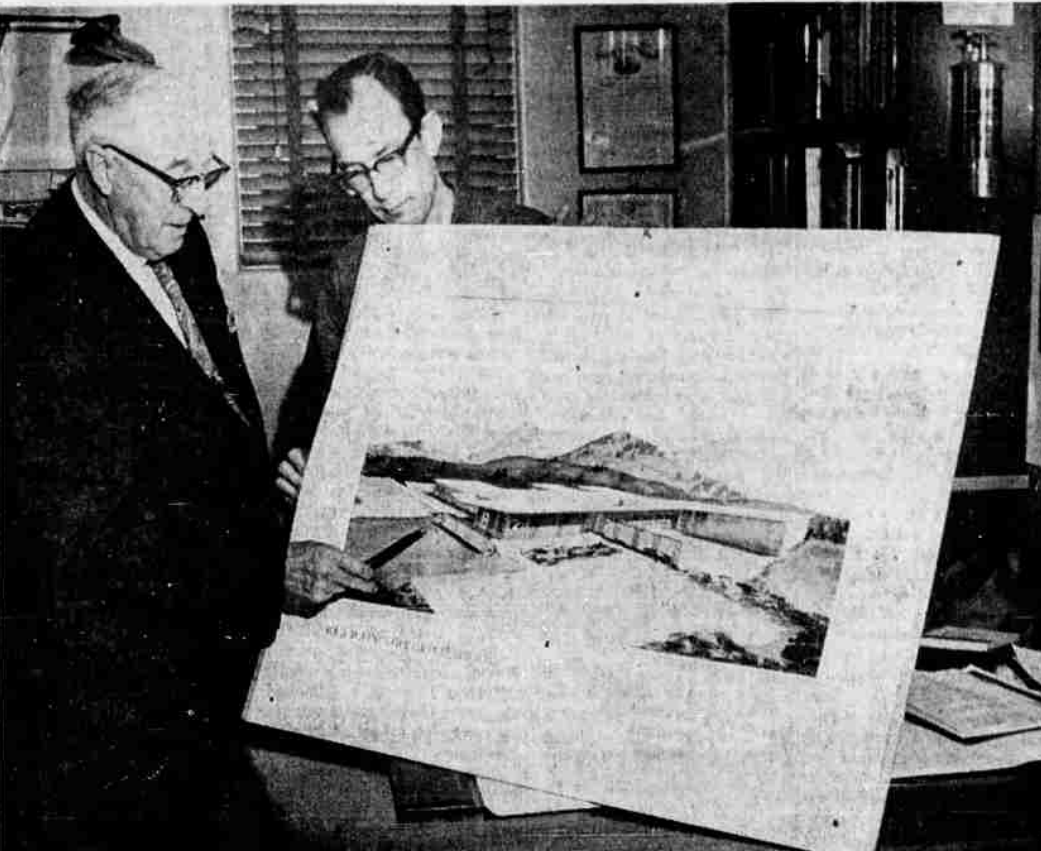
Hoffa said in Detroit Wednesday night that he will sue Meany for \$1 million on grounds of slander and libel. The Teamsters chief said the suit will be filed in U.S. District Court in Detroit next Monday.

Baked Phone New 'Dish'

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Here's a recipe for baked telephone:

Take one young husband on his way to work, add one white phone, mix in a little consideration for a wife who had been up with the baby all night.

Frank Fraser didn't want the phone to bother his wife, Babette, so he put it in the oven before leaving for work. Later, Mr. Fraser turned on the oven to preheat it. When she discovered it was in a dish, she started to put it in the oven.



NEW JUVENILE HOME — Architect Howard R. Perrin, left, and assistant Bud Miller, right, inspect a drawing of the proposed new juvenile home for Klamath County. Bids for construction of the home were opened Wednesday night and Brosterhouse Construction Co. of Klamath Falls submitted the apparent low bid.

Kingsley Job Completed

Paving of the primary runway at Kingsley Field was completed Wednesday and aircraft and men deployed to McChord Air Force Base, Wash., will begin returning next Monday.

Original completion date for runway reconstruction was Sept. 25 but a lockout and rainy weather delayed work for a total of almost three weeks. The near two-million-dollar project was handled by Carbon, Degerstrom and Crick, three Spokane construction companies.

The Kennedy administration is also understood to be keeping in close touch with Allied governments, particularly Britain and France, on the situation in South Viet Nam.

In essence, well-informed officials said, the situation is this: The Diem government has had a problem of fighting Communist guerrillas for several years. It has received extensive economic and military aid from the United States. In the last 10 years, including the time Indochina was still under French control, the United States has spent about \$2 billion to keep what is now South Viet Nam from falling to Communist rule.

Military taxicabs and the alert hangar apron were rebuilt along with 9,000 feet of the 10,300-foot main north-south runway. Asphaltic concrete was poured four inches thick on a base of sand and crushed rock.

Kingsley F101-B "Voodoos" and their air and ground crews will return home next week and will be honored Oct. 20-21 with a "welcome home" celebration. They have been gone since May.

Brosterhouse Enters Low Bid On Juvenile Home

Brosterhouse Construction Co. of Klamath Falls submitted the apparent low bid Wednesday night for construction of a new Klamath County Juvenile Home and the county court indicated it would go ahead with the project despite a lack of funds.

A balance of \$130,000 remains in the county's juvenile home fund and Brosterhouse' low bid and alternate bids were \$140,600 and \$144,339, respectively. County Commissioner E. K. (Ken) Allison, representing the county court at the bid opening, called County Judge R. R. (Bob) Walker and both agreed to proceed with construction.

"We can appropriate the balance of about \$10,000 in next year's budget," Allison said after the telephone conversation. "If we wait to begin construction, costs will rise even further."

"We have economized as much as we can with this building without sacrificing quality," Perrin said. Original plans for the home were slashed earlier this year when the county court ran into money problems. The court has already dipped into the juvenile home fund for about \$30,000 including \$13,300 for the drilling of a bumpy hot water well.

Two security rooms and two juvenile department offices were eliminated from plans to cut costs.

The home, to be located on a 38-acre tract above Alameda Street between Eberlein Street and Johnson Road, is designed to house 22 youngsters and provide offices for the county juvenile department.

The county court has 30 days in which to accept or reject bids but a meeting has been called for next Wednesday morning, when the contract will presumably be let.

South Africa walked out of the General Assembly six years ago when its white supremacist policies were censured. It has threatened to pull out of the U.N. altogether if pushed too far.

Recalling the warning, delegates noted that this was the first time any U.N. representative had ever been censured for a speech.

Cohen's Bail Set \$100,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — Justice William O. Douglas of the Supreme Court today granted Mickey Cohen, Los Angeles gambler, release on bail of \$100,000 pending appeals from his conviction of income tax violations.

Cohen was sentenced on the income tax charges to 15 years in prison and fined \$30,000.

The U. S. District Court in Los Angeles and the U. S. Circuit Court in San Francisco refused to permit release of Cohen on bail.

Sam Appears 'Improved'

DALLAS (AP) — Speaker Sam Rayburn, ill with incurable cancer and suffering from pneumonia, appeared improved today after being unconscious much of Wednesday.

The condition of the 79-year-old political leader and lawmaker worsened Wednesday after he contracted pneumonia. He regained consciousness during the afternoon.

A mid-morning bulletin on Rayburn issued today by Dr. Robert F. Short Jr., his attending physician, said:

"Mr. Rayburn is out of coma. He is definitely improved and the major change occurred this morning. He looks and appears stronger this morning and recognizes family and associates. His temperature is normal. Pulse, blood pressure and respiration have remained unchanged since the change for the better."

Rayburn's temperature rose to 103 degrees Wednesday.

Soviets Fire Another Bomb

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Soviet Union fired another atomic blast in the atmosphere early today, the Atomic Energy Commission reported.

This was No. 29 among the Soviet tests that have been announced by the AEC since the Soviets resumed tests Sept. 1.

President Kennedy told a news conference Wednesday there have been "over 20 tests" by the Soviet Union.

Other areas of conflict exist outside Germany, he said—and announced he is dispatching Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor for an on-scene survey of South Viet Nam.

Taylor, the President's military adviser, leaves Sunday and will meet with Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem and U.S. officials to discuss ways of helping South Viet Nam cope with expanding Communist attacks.

Taylor also may visit Laos and Cambodia.

A crowd of 300 newsmen and visitors attended the news conference, which also could be seen across the country via live television. It was the chief executive's 16th news conference in Washington, the first in nearly 1 1/2 months and the first opened to television as it happened since March.

Kennedy, wearing his usual news conference dark blue suit and purple tie, provided a few

Victim Reported In Fair Condition

By GUY W. FARMER

An argument between two union men ended Wednesday night when one of them was shot and wounded by the other in front of the Eagles Lodge, 835 Walnut Street.

Shot was Donald B. Schortgen, about 39, of 2318 Home Street, business agent for local Carpenters Union No. 190. He was reported in "fair" condition Thursday morning at Klamath Valley Hospital with a bullet wound in his stomach.

Booked at the city jail on a preliminary charge of assault with a dangerous weapon was James W. Evatt, 55, 806 Oak Street, an unemployed ironworker. The district attorney's office was expected to file charges late Thursday morning.

Police were called to the corner of Eighth and Walnut streets about 8:30 p.m. Wednesday to investigate the shooting. They found

James W. Evatt, 55, who allegedly shot and wounded Donald B. Schortgen, 39, union business agent, Wednesday night was officially charged with assault with a dangerous weapon Thursday morning by the district attorney's office.

Schortgen lying on the sidewalk in front of the Eagles Lodge with Evatt kneeling beside him saying he was "sorry it happened." Police said Evatt admitted shooting Schortgen with a .270 caliber deer rifle.

Here is the story told to police by Evatt and other witnesses: Lodge bartender Ruth Chapel said Evatt and Schortgen were arguing at the end of the bar. The argument was apparently over how long a man could work on a certain kind of project without being a union member. Mrs. Chapel said the men began fighting and Schortgen hit Evatt, knocking him to the floor.

Evatt said he left the lodge and sat in his car for awhile to calm

Pilot Takes Danger Trip

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP)—In the most dangerous X15 flight yet, a pilot set a world's record for going up—to prove this important point about coming down:

That an astronaut doesn't have to ride back to earth as a prisoner in a falling capsule—but can fly safely through the earth's atmosphere in a winged craft and land where he wishes.

Air Force Maj. Bob White Wednesday set a new world's altitude record for winged flight, 40 miles, and then made a belly-flopping re-entry into the atmosphere which cracked the windshield of the rocket plane.

The plane dropped spread-eagle into the atmosphere the way a diver belly-flops into a swimming pool. The stress and friction heat would have torn a conventional plane apart.

More than 60,000 of Ford's 120,000 production workers are represented by the locals which have not settled.

"We'd like to get the men back to work as soon as possible," said Malcolm L. Denise, Ford vice president-labor relations who led the Ford bargaining team, "Monday would be fine with us."

In another union action Wednesday night the international board ordered a new ratification vote by Local 72 at Kenosha, Wis., on the American Motors profit-sharing contract. The 12,000-member local rejected the pact by 63 votes in a slim turnout Sunday.

Kennedy classified the Gromyko talks as illuminating and said Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson would continue the exchanges in Moscow. But he said he had discovered no substantial change in Soviet policy, apparently since Premier Khrushchev laid it out in Vienna last June.

"I see no evidence, as yet, that there is any clear solution to Berlin," Kennedy said.

When a new West German government is established, he said, the Allies should come to "more final conclusions" on their approach to the Kremlin. France and West Germany are believed less inclined than Britain and the United States to pursue talks with the Soviets at this time.

Kennedy Sees No Easy Way To Avoid Fight

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Kennedy sees no easy or early halt to East-West collisions which have pushed mankind to, as he views it, the gravest danger point in all history.

"There still are very major differences," he says, between the Western powers and the Soviet Union.

The talks he and Secretary of State Dean Rusk have had with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko in the last few weeks have failed to produce immediate hope of achieving agreement on Berlin, Kennedy told his news conference Wednesday.

"Our ambition is to protect our vital interests without a war which destroys and doesn't really represent a victory for policy," Kennedy said. He added that Americans are rightfully concerned in this age of annihilation weapons because: "We happen to live in the most dangerous time

in the history of the human race."

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