

High yesterday	26
Low last night	22
High today	48
Low today	31
High past 24 hours	49 (1953)
Low past 24 hours	14 (1953)
Precip. past 24 hours	.10
Since Jan. 1	2.7
Same period last year	3.88

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Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview — Partly cloudy and continued cool with a few snow flurries through Monday. High today 40; lows tonight 22-28. High Monday 45; westerly winds 3-15 m.p.h.

Rail Clerks, Southern Pacific Settle Dispute

U.S. Jets Chase Soviet Planes Back To Russia After Alaskan Violation

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Two Soviet reconnaissance planes violated U. S. territory over Alaska Friday but flew back to Russia when American jet fighters were sent up after them, it was disclosed Saturday.

The United States protested sharply to the Kremlin, demanding the Soviet Union "take all necessary measures to prevent any repetition" of the air violation, the first of its kind.

The Defense Department said the invaders penetrated 30 miles inside U. S. territory. They were over American soil for about a

half an hour and set off a "scramble" by U. S. fighter pilots at Alaskan bases.

The Pentagon said that F102 jets "intercepted" the planes but no shots were fired.

Asked why the U. S. fighters did not fire on the Russian planes, a Defense Department spokesman said: "When the interception was made, the Soviets were clearly on a course which would take them out of U. S. air space."

The F102 "Delta Dart" fighters used in the interception are supersonic, and could fly at twice

the 400 mile-an-hour maximum speed at which the department said the Russian planes flew.

There was no description of the Russian planes other than that they were reconnaissance types. This would usually imply that they were not heavily armed.

Radar tracked the Soviet aircraft streaking back to Russia.

A State Department spokesman told newsmen it was "the first clearly established incident of a Soviet overflight of the United States."

There have been reports that Russian planes from Cuba have flown over Southeastern United States but Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara has emphatically denied all such claims.

A Defense Department spokesman said the Russian planes were spotted on radar approaching southwestern Alaska. They came in from the west southwest over Kuskokwim Bay, about 200 miles north of the Aleutian Islands. They flew at an altitude of from 17,000 to 35,000 feet and at speeds of 400 to 460 miles an hour.

The U. S. interceptors did not sight the "invaders" visually but caught them on their radar screens.

One of the Russians doubled back almost directly west, flying over Nunivak Island en route back to the Soviet Union. The other proceeded northwest over a peninsula-like string of islands, including Nelson Island.

The White House said President Kennedy, who was in Palm Beach, was being kept informed of the situation. He reviewed the text of the protest before it was dispatched.

The note was delivered to the Soviet Foreign Ministry in Moscow by U. S. Ambassador Foy D. Kohler.

Sen. E. L. Bartlett, D-Alaska, said the incident underscores the need for stronger defenses in his state.

"I am alarmed and I only hope that this was an accident," he commented. He noted that U. S. planes have inadvertently violated Soviet air space on several occasions.

At the height of the Cuban crisis last fall, two American reconnaissance planes flew over Russian territory because of what the Defense Department called navigational errors.



PLAQUE PRESENTED — William B. Sweetland, Herald and News publisher, is shown being awarded a plaque by Vince Bousquet, left, vice president of the Sierra-Cascade Logging Conference, for winning second place in a forest news contest conducted by the group. The award also consisted of a \$50 cash prize. First award in the division was won by Les Shaw, Lake County Examiner, for a series of seven articles on government timber appraisal and pricing policies. First award in the division for newspapers with over 50,000 daily circulation was won by Jefferson Yohn, San Bernardino Sun, a former teacher at KUHS.

Files of the newspapers of that long-ago period reveal that this Lake County development of 1909 was quite a project. People were pouring in from all over the country. They were full of enthusiasm. The future looked bright. The prevailing water table was within six to 12 feet of the surface. It looked like a great new country in the making. Its remoteness from markets seemed to the new settlers to be its only handicap.

Lakeview, to be sure, was withing a reasonable distance—and Lakeview was the northern terminus of the Narrow Gauge railroad coming up from the south. But the new settlers — whether rightly or wrongly — got the idea that the Narrow Gauge's rates were too high. These high rates, they said, meant prices for their products that were disappointing — low.

They had another outlet, of course, for their products — a branch rail line coming down from the Columbia river to Shanks. But Shanks was a long way off. It took five days to get there with a team and wagon and five days more to get back.

That meant too much loss of time.

So they turned to Klamath Falls, which by then had become the northern terminus of the Naton Cut-off—which was the original name for what is now the main line of the Southern Pacific. That seemed to them an ideal outlet for their products to the markets of California.

But there was no road to Klamath Falls. So they tackled the Klamath county road to build a road across the Klamath Indian reservation to their area.

They figured that with such a road they could get to Klamath Falls and back in three days each way—a saving of four days over the round trip to Shanks.

Then—

Misfortune struck.

The water table in their valley began to drop. Without sufficient water, there could be no big crops to haul to market. So the proposed road was never built.

What of the present?

Well, Ken McLeod, one of whose hobbies is water tables, tells me the water table over there is RISING AGAIN.

It's a strange world, isn't it? You never can tell what will happen next.

BRIDGE WORK UNDERWAY — These two views were taken Friday of work being done at the south end of the west side bypass to Klamath Falls in preparation for the bridge that will span Lake Ewauna and carry bypass traffic on to a junction with Riverside Street. Top photo shows the pillars being erected adjacent to Conger Avenue and up the side of the present bypass grade that joins Main Street. Lower photo shows piling work being done at the far side of Lake Ewauna where the bridge will be connected. The work is being done by Tom Lillebo, Reedsport, at a contract cost of \$861,000.

Tri-Nation Federation Pact Agreed

CAIRO, U.A.R. (UPI) — Egypt, Syria and Iraq have reached agreement in principle on a federation of the three nations, it was announced Saturday night.

A communique said there was "agreement on points of view" of such a federation and that the Syrian and Iraqi delegations would go to their respective capitals Sunday to consult their governments.

The two delegations have met with U.A.R. President Gamal Abdel Nasser most of the week.

The communique said after consultations with their governments at home the Syrian and Iraqi delegations would return here to conclude the talks.

Informed sources said the three were expected to announce a "high powered" committee to draft the unity project for submission to voters in all three countries.

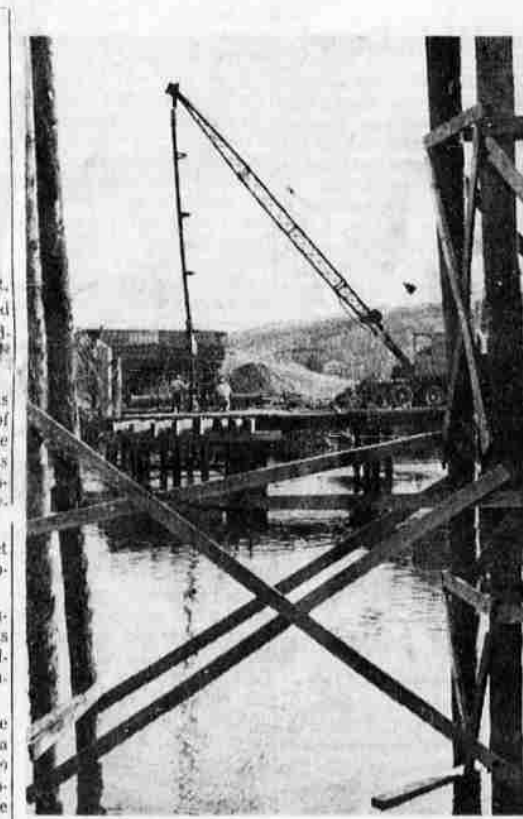
"In Amman, Jordan's King Hussein pledged 'unlimited' cooperation with such a federation. He said he was confident Jordan would join an Arab unity plan and added, 'we hope this unity will take place as soon as possible.'"

Hussein also denied reports Jordan's stability was threatened because of recent revolutions in Syria and Iraq.

Nasser met with the Syrian and Iraqi delegations following a series of communications with Baghdad and Damascus aimed at hammering out details of the unity statement, informed sources said.

Though details of the proposed federation were secret, the authoritative Cairo daily newspaper Al-Ahram said a "federal union" was discussed during Friday's nine-hour session.

Whether Jordan would be admitted to such a union was not clear. Syrian officials said Jordan was not a "liberated" nation and did not qualify. Baghdad Radio and Syrian officials said the new Yemen regime and Algeria would be eligible.



Subversion Theme Set For JFK Talk

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (UPI) — Costa Rican Foreign Minister Daniel Oduber said Saturday the Alliance for Progress cannot prosper in an America infected by Cuba-sponsored Communist subversion.

There were indications this theme will be driven home to President Kennedy when he meets here Monday with the six Central American presidents. Kennedy's Central American colleagues have made clear they want action, not words, in the face of the Communist menace.

"As long as Russia occupies Cuba we cannot concentrate on the urgent task of improving the economic and social conditions of the Latin American people," Oduber said Saturday. "The presence of the Soviets in this hemisphere poses an imminent threat of subversion and military action deflected our interests from the constructive task of reforms envisioned by the Alliance for Progress."

He called for a new meeting of hemispheric foreign ministers to tighten the isolation of Cuba.

Oduber, who will be coordinator of the President's conference, said 250 Costa Rican youths are presently in Cuba receiving training in subversion. He said nothing can be done about this situation as long as Mexico continues to serve as a gateway for Fidel Castro's Communist Cuba.

(Cubana Airlines maintains two flights weekly to and from Mexico City, Mexico, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile and Uruguay retain diplomatic relations with Cuba.)

SP Strike Threat Ends With Signing Of Pact On Automation Problem

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Southern Pacific Railroad and the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks agreed Saturday on a settlement of their automation dispute that is "unique in railroad history."

The agreement ended what has been for two months the constant threat of a strike by the 11,000-member brotherhood. A walkout would have tied up SP traffic in seven states.

Federal Mediator Francis A. O'Neill, in announcing the unexpected settlement, said it was the first time any railroad contract "has provided for a system of natural attrition."

For five years SP and the union have been haggling over what should be done by men displaced by automated equipment. The current round of contract negotiations came to a head Feb. 6, with the union's determination to strike.

But at that point O'Neill stepped into the picture and managed to keep the talks stumbling along, despite working under the handicap of a day-to-day strike threat.

"This lengthy dispute is full and finally settled," the untiring mediator said. "The main problem in automation is solved."

O'Neill told newsmen that the negotiators signed a contract on 175 of the issues, and that a second document, to be sent to President Kennedy, spells out five issues to be arbitrated.

Arbitration proceedings should begin next week and with luck be completed in a matter of 10 days, said O'Neill.

Negotiations had reached an impasse last Wednesday when Kennedy proposed that unresolved

issues be placed in the hands of a three-man arbitration panel.

Southern Pacific embraced the plan, but the brotherhood accepted it only conditionally. Since then both sides have been attempting to iron out which issues should be presented to the panel.

Up to now the brotherhood has been steadfast in demanding that Southern Pacific refrain for other positions within the company men who lose their jobs through automation. The company has been equally adamant in opposition, calling such a plan inefficient in that it would create unnecessary work and retard progress.

The agreement, as outlined by O'Neill, amounts to this:

If an employee dies, retires, resigns or is promoted, the company is given an "attrition credit." It then has the option of either doing away with the job, filling the position with a man whose job it considers obsolete, or putting another employee in any other job it wishes filled.

But when the company changes a man it cannot lower his salary, even though the job he is being moved to might call for a lower wage, said O'Neill.

O'Neill added that if the company finds it necessary to terminate an employee because of automation that employee will receive 70 per cent of his base pay for the first year, and 60 per cent during the next three years.

O'Neill refused to discuss the five issues to be sent to arbitration, but it appeared to involve retraining provisions.

A strike by the brotherhood would have tied up 3,000 miles of Southern Pacific track in California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, New Mexico, Utah and West Texas.

The company estimated that approximately 50,000 workers would have been idled.

In January, 1962, and again in August, the union threatened a walkout over the same issues. But both times government mediation efforts forestalled a tieup.

Hopes Fade For Soviets To Quit Cuba

WASHINGTON (UPI) — American hopes for large-scale removal of Soviet troops from Cuba by mid-March faded Saturday. It appeared that no more than 3,500 will have left the island by Sunday.

State Department officials said the United States would continue to press for the removal of the estimated 14,000 Russian troops and military technicians still on the island. But there were no plans for immediate representations to Moscow.

Officials were still reluctant to discuss specific figures without other intelligence to coordinate with aerial surveillance reports.

But they said that roughly 2,000 Russian troops had left Cuba by Friday and the Russian passenger ship Nakhimov, expected to leave Sunday, could carry as many as 1,500 more. It was loading all day Friday.

Officials acknowledged that this could be considered bare fulfillment of Premier Nikita Khrushchev's Feb. 19 promise to remove several thousand troops by the middle of March. At that time, U.S. authorities said they hoped Russia would call home the bulk of their 17,000 troops and technicians in Cuba.

33 Survive Plane Fall

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI) — A Navy transport with 33 persons aboard crashed and burned in the backyard of a residence during an emergency landing attempt at the Memphis naval air station here Friday night. There were no fatalities.

Only three persons—all reservists bound from St. Louis to the air station for weekend training—were hospitalized for minor injuries and 13 others were treated for burns, cuts and bruises.

The twin-engine transport came down within 30 feet of the Lloyd Pitts residence. Jack Huffman, who was watching television in the Pitts residence at the time, said he heard a sound "like wires cracking."

"I got up and looked out of the window and saw the plane in the back yard," he said.

A neighbor, Mrs. Mary Crew, was peeling onions in the kitchen sink. "The lights went out and I saw a big puff of fire," she said. "I called to my husband that something had happened. He yelled back at me to get out of the house."

Roman Police Probe Opera Star Death

ROME (UPI) — "I cannot remember... the pistol is not mine, I didn't have one... How is Frances?"

Police Saturday were trying to piece together the confused remarks of a gravely wounded American businessman in an effort to shed light on a double shooting which took the life of a California opera singer.

The shooting behind the soundproof walls of a fashionable Via Veneto hotel was discovered Friday and made front-page headlines in the Roman press.

Dead from four bullet wounds was Frances McCann, 42-year-old wife of John William Rodgers of Alhambra, Calif., and a mother of four.

"I am unmarried. I feel lonely. How is Frances?"

was her impresario, German-born American Ernest Boxmann, who lives in New York.

Italian police said they believed it was a murder-suicide attempt, but admitted that several details left them puzzled.

When Boxmann emerged from unconsciousness at a Rome hospital, police said, he told them there was blank in his mind but insisted that he did not shoot either Miss McCann or himself.

"The pistol is not mine," police quoted Boxmann as saying in broken sentences. "I didn't have one. I am left-handed and I don't know who might have fired the shots."

"I am unmarried. I feel lonely. How is Frances?"

Gravely wounded in the head

41 Aboard Lost Plane

LA PAZ, Bolivia (UPI) — A search resumed at dawn Saturday for a four-engine Bolivian passenger plane which disappeared on a 200-mile flight over the rugged Andes Mountains. Forty-one persons, including two Americans and two prominent Swedes, were aboard the airliner.

The big DC6, en route from Arica, Chile, to this Bolivian capital city, should have landed Friday at 1:27 p.m. EST. It carried 36 passengers and a crew of five.

The Americans aboard were identified by Lloyd Aereo Boliviano Airlines as Robert MacCormack, an attorney, and Leon Bernstein. (No hometowns available.)

Legislators Determined To Give Oregon New Constitution This Session

SALEM (UPI) — Sixteen men and two women have reached a turning point: they have decided they can, and will, do the job of giving Oregon a constitution for the next century.

This is the consensus of their chairmen — Sen. Walter Pearson and Portland Democrat, and Rep. John Dellenback, a Medford Republican.

Pearson and Dellenback feel growingly confident that the House and Senate Committees on Constitutional Revision will put out a product this session.

And they are hopeful that through committee "teamwork" it will win the two-thirds House and Senate vote needed to be sent on

to voters for ratification in 1964.

Pearson, a bluntly outspoken insurance man and former state treasurer and Senate president, and Dellenback, an articulate attorney with a quiet sense of humor, discussed the new document in an interview lasting more than an hour.

They said as the committee members have dug into the job, pride and enthusiasm have begun to replace an earlier feeling of disinterest and distrust. The members, they said, have begun to realize a new constitution could be the most important achievement of this session.

Instead of saying doubtfully, "I don't know," they now are

saying, "maybe we can do it after all," Dellenback said.

Key Decision Made

Members themselves made a key decision this week. In separate meetings, the House and Senate committees each voted unanimously to push ahead with the intent of producing a new constitution.

The committees, meeting jointly three times a week, already have completed hearings on seven of the 14 articles in the proposed new constitution that was written by the Commission on Constitutional Revision during the past two years. Of the seven remaining, only the judiciary is controversial.

And the committees, taking it section by section, have tentatively completed rewriting four articles and are midway through a fifth — the legislative article.

No final votes have been taken on any of the articles.

"We want to get the feeling, the thinking of the group," the co-chairmen said.

Pearson and Dellenback agreed the final product won't — can't — be just what everyone wants, but they think it will be acceptable.

They said it will be somewhere between the commission's proposal and the present century-old constitution. A few highly controversial sections probably will be

separated out to be judged on their own, they said.

The key point, Dellenback said, is that the committees' product will be better than Oregon's present constitution, and will provide a modern enough legal house for the state to grow soundly in for the next 100 years.

On the knottiest sections, the committees are taking two approaches.

One, compromise, was illustrated this week when the committees considered the present biennial sessions of the legislature versus the commission's proposal for annual sessions. The vote had a midpoint: Biennial sessions,

with optional annual sessions if the legislature wants.

The other approach, separation, could be used for a few major conflicts such as the death penalty. These may be offered to the legislature, and the people, separate from the single package that will contain the rest of the constitution.

Pearson and Dellenback termed the executive article, which would make the governor the only elective officer, the most controversial part of the commission's proposal.

There are arguments on both sides, Pearson said, and no matter what the committees do there will be a hue and cry from one

group. That is why the article could be treated separately.

"It may be desirable, it may not," Dellenback said, "but there's so much good in the rest, let's not risk it all for one or two extremes."

Pearson and Dellenback believe that those who support the more extreme version eventually will come around to the thinking that a compromise on some points would be far better than nothing.

Pearson, a member of the revision commission, said his job was to write a model constitution. He said the commission replied its document would not go through the legislature untouched.

When the legislative committees

get through, their product then will have to be weighed as a whole, Dellenback added.

Pearson and Dellenback said the chances of House and Senate passage will depend on the product and on the committee members.

If the product is made acceptable, the committee members then will have to do a selling job. Questions will have to be ironed out in individual discussions, they said.

The committee members themselves represent most blocs in the two houses. If they put on a "bipartisan, team operation," Pearson and Dellenback said, a new constitution could go through.

Teeners Kill Two Officers

FAIRFIELD, Calif. (UPI) — A pair of teen-aged Sacramento boys whose brief crime spree left two law officers dead and a third man wounded were in serious condition today at Solano County Hospital here.

The suspects were identified as Richard Price, 16, and Jack Sikes, 16. Their wave of violence started Friday with a bungled holdup attempt at Lodi, Calif. It ended less than an hour later 24 miles away near Rio Vista when the boys, driving a stolen California highway patrol car, rammed into a roadblock at high speed.