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Weather

Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview —Fair tonight and increasing cloudiness on Friday. Continued mild; low tonight 33-38, high Friday 50-55.

High yesterday	51
Low this morning	22
High year ago	34
Low year ago	21
Precip. past 24 hours	.00
Since Jan. 1	1.69
Same period last year	3.31

U.S. Planes Hit Viet Cong Units

SAIGON (UPI) — Thousand-pound bombs dropped by U.S. B57 jet bombers killed at least 100 Viet Cong rebels in one of six strikes in support of Vietnamese troops, Vietnamese military sources reported today.

Vietnamese Brig. Gen. Nguyen Huu So said his troops counted 100 Viet Cong bodies in this one strike. Another 88 were reported killed elsewhere in the attacks by the light bombers and F100 Supersabres which dropped smaller bombs.

New details of Wednesday attacks were reported as Lt. Gen. Nguyen Khanh flew to Hong Kong en route to "exile" as an observer to the United Nations in New York. He had been stripped of power earlier in the week.

Seeks U.N. Support

Khanh told newsmen he would seek U.N. support against the Viet Cong. At a news conference he did not rule out the possibility of negotiations but said it could not occur until the Communists halt their pressure and the non-Communist countries support South Viet Nam.

Brig. Gen. Nguyen Cao Ky, the Vietnamese air force commander, disclosed meanwhile that last weekend's political coup had forced the air force to abandon a planned strike last Friday against targets in Communist North Viet Nam.

The coup was mounted by rebellious officers shortly after noon Friday. It fizzled out by Saturday morning but kept the air operations center immobilized for almost 22 hours.

Koreans Land

In another war development the first 600 of an expected 2,000 South Korean troops landed in Saigon today amidst strict security precautions. The troops arrived aboard landing ships which moved up the Saigon River with a destroyer escort.

Before leaving Saigon today Khanh was given his country's highest medal — the Cross of Valor, First Class, after turning over command to Maj. Gen. Tran Van Minh.

"I am very proud to have served my country," Khanh said before boarding a commercial airliner bound for Hong Kong, the first stop on his New York - bound flight. "I have to go aboard in the interests of Viet Nam."

The moon - faced, goateed general was accompanied by his wife and four children — three boys and a girl — and a party of 15 persons.

Government and military officials saw Khanh off. His last official act was to pick up a bag full of Vietnamese soil as a reminder of the countryside he may not see again for some time.

Khanh's demise as military strongman became official one day after U. S. authorities announced that American-piloted jet bombers have been unleashed against Communist guerrillas, marking another turning point in the war.

The increased direct American participation in the war effort inside South Viet Nam was reported against a backdrop of diplomatic pressures for a negotiated end to the fighting.

Even as Khanh was getting his medal, Saigon police broke up a news conference called by a Vietnamese group advocating a cease-fire, negotiations with the Communists and an end to foreign interference.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The BIG news today?
There isn't much.

In Paris yesterday the French government announced that the Soviet government has agreed with President Charles De Gaulle to "press for a NEGOTIATED settlement of the war in Viet Nam."

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Well, the Soviet government is a COMMUNIST government—and we haven't much faith in communist governments. We can't help recalling that in his Ten Commandments of Revolution, Lenin, the founder of communism, said:

"There are no morals in politics; there is only EXPEDIENCY." He added in his tenth commandment:

"Scheme . . . zig-zag . . . retreat . . . ANYTHING TO HASTEN THE COMING TO POWER OF COMMUNISM."

And—

We aren't too sure about President Charles De Gaulle, of France.

He is a weird character.

We can't be too certain as to what, in his present flirtation with the Russians, he may be up to.

So—

We're sitting on our hands and waiting to see what comes of it all.

Hence the lull in the BIG news.

Mishmash in the minor news:

In New York, Sam Dawson, one of our better business news analysts, says:

"Public spending is expected to top $200 BILLION for the first time this year.

"That will bring it to about 29 per cent of the nation's TOTAL OUTPUT of goods and services."

Interesting question:
Who will pay the bill?

Hmmmmmmmm.
You know who it will be.
The bill will be paid by a patient, long-suffering gentleman by the name of T. Payer.

Workmen's Bill Nears Completion

SALEM (UPI)—Work on one of the most controversial issues facing the 1965 legislature reached a milepost Wednesday when the proposed workmen's compensation revision bill was sent back to the printer for inclusion of amendments.

The House Labor and Management Committee was expected to give the measure its final approval Friday or Monday, resulting in a vote on the House floor sometime next week.

The bill provides for so-called "three-way" coverage, allowing employers to insure through the state, private insurance companies or by self-insurance.

Other main features are elimination of the jury trial in appeals of injury awards, an increase of about 25 per cent in benefits, and inclusion of about 200,000 additional Oregon working men under injury compensation.

First Increase

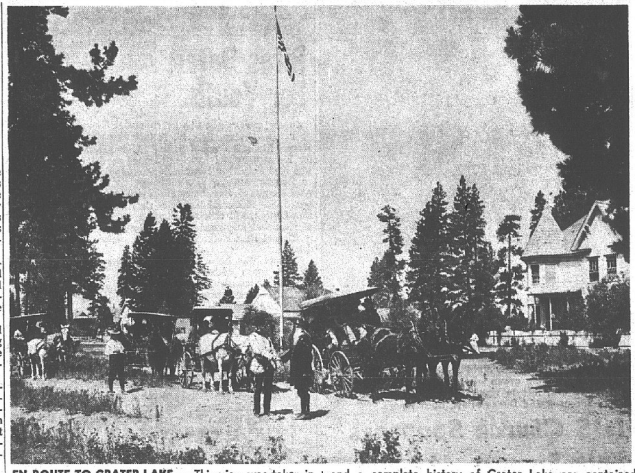
The benefit increase would be the first since 1957.

Farm employes, except those who do row crop or stoop labor and do not work around machinery, would be covered starting Jan. 1, 1967.

Organized labor is on record against the measure, but its spokesmen declined to comment Wednesday until the United Labor Lobby could convene for a look at the measure in its final form.

The bill bears an emergency clause, which means it would go into effect as soon as the governor signed it. It would not be subject to a referendum.

However, Rep. Richard Kennedy, D-Eugene, has asked Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton for an opinion on whether the emergency clause is legal.



EN ROUTE TO CRATER LAKE — This view was taken in 1903 when a party including celebrated poet Joaquin Miller and Will Steel made the long trek to Klamath County's scenic wonder, Crater Lake. This picture was taken at Klamath Agency. In the foreground shaking hands at departure are Joaquin Miller, right, and Captain O. C. Applegate, left. Additional pictures on this trip and a complete history of Crater Lake are contained in the Fifth Annual Herald and News Progress Edition which will be issued Friday. Read how Crater Lake was actually named Lake Majestic. Arrange now for extra copies of the Progress Edition to be issued tomorrow. This picture courtesy of Marjorie Neill Helms, Grants Pass.

Transplants Successful

DALLAS (UPI)—Two women who received transplanted kidneys from a dead man last week are doing so well that the artificial kidneys in their bodies have been removed, doctors said Wednesday.

One of the women, Mrs. Mary Ellen Cranford, 22, got out of her hospital bed for the first time yesterday since the transplant last Friday.

The other kidney recipient, Mrs. Sylvia Shartz, 40, remained in the intensive care unit of Parkland Hospital, but doctors said she is improving.

At the time of the transplant, doctors said that there was about one chance in 10 for the kidneys to function properly in the women.

They said the odds were so high because the donor of the kidneys was not in any way related to the women. They said it would take about 40 days to make sure the kidneys were working right.

The kidneys were taken from a man who committed suicide.

Legislators Chop Funds

SALEM (UPI)—A Ways and Means subcommittee wielded a $1 million economy axe over the state's National Guard budget today, and told the guard to freeze its operations at the current level.

The subcommittee junked the governor's recommendation of $2,045,000 for operation of the military department, and said the operating costs should stay at $1.8 million.

In addition, the entire $637,000 capital construction program was dropped. This included two proposed Portland armories.

The subcommittee also ordered the military department to do all maintenance work planned for the next biennium, and include it in the $1.8 million budget.

It ordered the military department to submit a new budget reflecting the changes, so members could review the cutbacks again before taking final action.

Subcommittee members acknowledged that the action would subject them to pressures from guard supporters, but decided it was more important to heed the public clamor for cutbacks in state spending.

"Overdoing It"

Sen. Walter Loth, R - Salem, said Oregon had double the guard to population ratio of other states. "We're overdoing it in this state. We need a long range plan so we can determine where we should be going. At present we're just hopping from biennium to biennium without direction."

Rep. Don McKinnis, D-Summerville, said "I don't want to scuttle the guard program, but it's time we decide where we are going."

Sen. Ward Cook, D-Portland, said the 1963 tax revolt emphasized the "automatic buildup in government.

"We shaved $56 million off the budget (after the tax referendum), and you can't find any program that suffered.

Happy! Happy!

Income Tax Notes 52nd Anniversary

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The income tax is 52 years old today. Absolutely no celebration is planned.

It was on Feb. 25, 1913, that Secretary of State Philander C. Knox officially certified the adoption of the 16th Amendment to the Constitution, which gave Congress "the power to lay and collect taxes on incomes."

Fifty-two years is a venerable age, but the income tax is far from set in its way. Only a year ago, Congress put the finishing touches on the first major overhaul of the income tax in a decade.

The Revenue Act of 1964 is more commonly known as the tax cut, since it gave individuals and companies $11.5 billion worth of tax relief.

But in addition to lowering rates across the board, Congress also made important changes in the basic structure of the income tax, such as the new minimum standard deduction.

Nor is there any reason to think that there won't be more changes in the years ahead. President Johnson has said that if the economy remains strong, there can be further cuts in the income tax. Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., has got the Treasury interested in his bill to offer taxpayers lower rates in return for giving up most of their deductions and other "loopholes."

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce wants to cut income taxes rates even more and make up the lost revenue with a federal excise tax on all purchases except food, medicine and rent.

Police Gird For Confab Of Muslims

CHICAGO (UPI) — Police girded today for the arrival of up to 6,000 Black Muslim followers of Elijah Muhammad, whose black supremacy cult opens its national convention Friday despite rumors the self-styled prophet is a marked man.

Authorities pledged to protect Muhammad as closely as if he were president of the United States. Officers prowled through Chicago's empty Coliseum, where the convention will be held, and stood guard outside Muhammad's home.

There were fears that followers of slain Black Nationalist Malcolm X planned to slay the 67-year-old "messenger of Allah" in vengeance for the assassination last Sunday.

Heavyweight boxing champion Cassius Clay, a disciple of Muhammad, scoffed at speculation that his leader would fail to show up at the convention.

Muhammad is scheduled to address the opening meeting Friday and return for another address Sunday, but he has in the past failed to attend the Muslim national convention.

"Wouldn't that be cheap?" Clay asked. "Wouldn't that be awful for a man with 100,000 or 200,000 followers to be afraid and not show up?

"He isn't afraid. He'll show up."

Clay, who likes to be known as Muhammad Ali, vowed he would "be right up there alongside" his leader on the speaker's platform at the Coliseum.

DA Probers Find Jordan Witness

Klamath County district attorney's investigators Thursday closed the last link in their extensive search for witnesses in the 33-year-old murder trial of Theodore Jordan Jr.

The district attorney's office was notified Thursday by Det. Don M. Potter of the Portland Missing Persons Bureau that Ethel Mae Mestas, the last of the 46 witnesses in the trial, died Nov. 4, 1949.

Mrs. Mestas was the last witness to be traced by the district attorney's office as it prepared its case for the retrial of Jordan for the 1932 murder of Southern Pacific Railroad sleeping car steward F. T. Sullican.

Jordan has served 22 years in prison for the slaying and was granted a new trial last fall by a Marion County circuit judge. The trial is scheduled for April 26.

Nineteen of the original 46 witnesses are still alive and the remainder are believed dead.

Dist. Atty. Sam A. McKeen and an aide spent five days in California earlier this month, interviewing witnesses in the trial.

More than a dozen of the witnesses are believed to be ready to testify again, including then - district attorney T. R. Gillenwaters, now living in Newport Beach, Calif.

Confirmation Sought

The district attorney's office is awaiting confirmation of the deaths of witnesses Raymond Lyon, Dr. Eliza Johnson and Sears McKinley Gilbert.

Investigators are having difficulty in establishing, legally, the death of Gilbert. Evidence of the deaths of deceased witnesses must be presented at the trial.

Gilbert is believed to have died in 1937 from an attack of pneumonia in a cotton field near Waco, Tex.

However, the death occurred on a course line and official records of the death have not been located, although one mortician's records indicate he buried Gilbert.

The live witnesses include Gillenwaters; Jordan himself; Andrew Petrishin, San Francisco; Curtis Manuel, Berkeley; Oscar Jones, Beverly Hills; Joseph Lewis, Compton, Calif.; Fred Jones, Klamath Falls; Dr. William Timms, Los Angeles; Elton Jackson, Winchester, Ore.; Howard Hendricks, Dunsmuir, Calif.; Dr. Frank Menne, Peebles, Wis.; Alice Gilbert, Tinsley Park, Ill.; Rex McMillan, Dunsmuir, Calif.; James A. Wherland, San Diego; John Pennington, Spokane; J. S. Murray, Salem; Mrs. Ann Price, Klamath Falls; Elmer Wilkerson, Los Altos, Calif.; and Alice Timms, Hayward, Calif.

The district attorney's office said several of the witnesses either are ill or too elderly to travel to Klamath Falls for the trial.

Storm Clogs Mid-Nation

By United Press International

One of the worst storms in years pounded the center of the nation with snow and powerful winds today for the third consecutive day.

Winds up to 50 miles an hour created highway-clogging drifts several feet deep from Tennessee to Michigan. The storm claimed at least 24 lives since it began Tuesday.

Hundreds of schools closed and traffic was at a near-standstill in many cities.

Arctic air that dropped temperatures to record lows for the second straight day pushed down from Canada onto the Midwest.

Towns Isolated

Towering drifts of snow virtually isolated many central Illinois towns. Strong winds whipped snow three feet deep around Memphis, Tenn., closing all major highways out of the city. It was the first snow at Memphis in two years.

The weather bureau at Indianapolis termed the storm there a blizzard. Ten inches of snow fell and winds reached 48 m.p.h.

State police reported 300 cars stalled on the Tri-State Highway in northwest Indiana.

Schools closed in many areas, including Detroit and Chicago suburbs and throughout much of Indiana.

Snow Strikes Alabama

Ahead of the storm belt, ice and snow coated Alabama roads. Sub - freezing temperatures pushed to the Gulf of Mexico and snow fell as far south as southern Georgia.

Freezing rain fell on the Atlantic Coast from Virginia northward and gale warnings were hoisted.

Medics Test Cardinal

CHICAGO (UPI) — Albert Cardinal Meyer, 61-year-old archbishop of Chicago, will undergo surgery at Mercy Hospital today to determine whether he has a brain tumor.

The specific reason for the brain surgery is to relieve "increased intra-cranial pressure" which has been localized on the right side of the head and has been causing recurring headaches.

Jury Slaps Communists Once Again

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A federal grand jury today reindicted the Communist Party of the U.S.A. for failing to register as a Communist action organization controlled by the Soviet Union.

Atty. Gen. Nicholas Katzenbach said the new indictment, similar to a 1961 indictment of the party, was returned by a federal grand jury in Washington.

The U.S. Court of Appeals reversed an earlier conviction of the party, which carried a $12,000 fine, by ruling that the government had failed to prove that a willing volunteer was available to register the party.

Volunteer Noted

The new indictment specifically charged that the party failed to register "even though it knew there was a volunteer willing to register on behalf of the party."

The party's attorney, John J. Abt, said in New York that he thought the government would have "as little success with this indictment as they had with the previous indictment—no success at all."

Katzenbach said the new 12-count indictment charged that the party, whose headquarters is in New York City, with failing to register under the Subversive Activities Control Act on each of 11 days from Feb. 13, to Feb. 23, 1965.

Accusation Levied

It also accused the party of failing to file a registration statement, including a list of party member names, aliases and addresses; a list of printing presses controlled by the party; and an accounting of all money received and spent.

The Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 requires Communist action organizations to register with the Justice Department. Under the act, each day a group fails to register is considered a separate offense, with a maximum penalty of $10,000 fine for each count or each day.

LBJ Shuns Discussion

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The White House said today that President Johnson was "not contemplating any negotiations" for ending the fighting in South Viet Nam at this time.

Press secretary George E. Reedy said that "of course" the United States would welcome any United Nations action that could convince the President it would "reasonably assure the peace and security of the area."

Little Hope Seen For Peace Talks

LONDON (UPI)—Authoritative diplomatic sources said today prospects are dim for any early negotiated settlement of the war in Viet Nam.

The call by France and the Soviet Union Wednesday for an international Southeast Asia peace conference was viewed here as meaningless unless there is advance agreement on terms of reference.

Britain is prepared to continue off-stage diplomatic soundings with the tacit approval of the United States, but qualified sources said the process will be long and tedious and may not produce results.

In Washington, President Johnson let it be known that the United States has no intention of relaxing its military pressures on Communist forces in South Viet Nam.

No Meaningful Proposals

White House Press Secretary George Reedy said "no meaningful proposals" have been presented to the United States to end the fighting. Reedy firmly restated the American policy of using whatever force is necessary to defend South Viet Nam and talking peace when the Communists call off their attacks.

In Peking, Communist Chinese Premier Chou En-lai said there could be no negotiations on an international agreement for Viet Nam until the United States "unconditionally" withdraws its forces.

And in New York, United Nations Secretary General Thant's call for talks that would lead to U.S. troop withdrawal was reported getting a cool reaction from American officials.

Takes Talks Lead

French President Charles de Gaulle has taken the lead in putting on the pressure for peace talks. He is seeking a new meeting of the 14-nation Geneva conference which carved up Southeast Asia after the Indochina war.

Britain and the Soviet Union are chairmen of this conference.

The position of the Soviet Union is complicated by the Kremlin's ideological feud with Communist China. The Russians appear anxious to press on with their line of peaceful co-existence and to appease the Communist Chinese at the same time.

The key to the question, as seen here, lies in Washington and Peking.

Wife Quits Salinger

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The wife of former Sen. and White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger said today she was planning to obtain a divorce.

Mrs. Salinger, the former Nancy Brook Joy, said she would file suit early next month but that no decision had been made on where the divorce proceedings would be initiated.

She told United Press International that she and her husband decided that they had a difference of interests and agreed to go their separate ways.

The Salingers were married June 28, 1957.

Mrs. Salinger has remained in nearby Virginia since her husband was defeated for the Senate in California last November.

Judge Ousts Plot Charges

MERIDIAN, Miss. (UPI)—A federal judge today threw out felony charges against 17 of 18 men accused of plotting the deaths of three civil rights workers in Mississippi last summer.

"The indictment surely states a heinous crime against the state of Mississippi," ruled U.S. District Judge Harold Cox, "but not a crime against the United States."

Cox did not rule on misdemeanor indictments outstanding against the suspects.

The indictment that was dismissed charged a conspiracy to deprive the three civil rights workers "of their constitutional rights not to lose life or liberty without due process of law." Conviction on this charge carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and a $5,000 fine.

The misdemeanor indictment, containing four counts, charged the suspects with participating in a conspiracy with law enforcement officers to inflict summary punishment, and carries a maximum penalty of one year in prison and a $1,000 fine.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR X-RAY EQUIPMENT — Mrs. Joe Lovell, president of the Klamath County Tuberculosis and Health Association, presents to Dr. Seth Kerron, county health officer, a check for $1,000 to be applied to the purchase of new X-ray equipment now in use at the health department. The donation represents part of $6,000 received by the association through the sale of Christmas Seals last year. Mrs. Lovell remarked that people who suspect they have tuberculosis may obtain a skin test at the health department for 25 cents. If the results are positive the person who took the test will then be X-rayed at no charge.