

Weather Forecast

Fair and colder, with lowest temperature about 32 degrees tonight; tomorrow increasing cloudiness; fresh northwest winds diminishing. Temperatures today—Highest, 50, at 1 p.m.; lowest, 40, at 5 a.m. Full report on page A-2.

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Social Security Council Drafts Broader Plan

Change in Tax Is Not Contemplated at This Time, However

BACKGROUND—The old-age insurance system is one of major parts of omnibus social security program approved by Congress in 1935, ranking in importance with the Federal-State unemployment compensation set-up. Thus far, no changes have been made in the omnibus law, but the initiative for those now contemplated has come from the administration with the Advisory Council and a special congressional committee engaging in studies to this end.

The Social Security Advisory Council drafted today sweeping recommendations for broadening the Government's old-age insurance system.

While the council's official report will not be made public until some time next week, informed persons said its principal recommendations would include:

1. Provision for monthly payments to the widows and dependent children of workers covered by the Social Security Act and for \$200 funeral expenses to the families of "covered" workers who die before reaching the age of 65.

2. Some provision for the wives and dependent children of those over 65 receiving monthly payments. (This would be designed to aid the families of retired workers whose incomes under the system may be only \$30 or \$40 a month—too small to provide the necessities of life for more than one person.)

3. Move the date for beginning old-age payments up from January 1, 1942, to January 1, 1940.

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7. The sixth provision was decided on it was understood to reduce the total amount which operation of the insurance system will cost, beginning in 1940, and thus free some funds to help finance the proposed new aids to wives, widows and children.

Informed persons said, however, expansion of financial assistance to wives, widows and children would raise costs to such an extent that the Government probably would have to put in funds from other sources unless the social security tax system was revised.

One suggested solution, they said, was that the increased costs be divided equally among participating employers and employees and the Government. Each worker now covered is taxed 1 per cent of his salary and an equal sum is paid by his employer.

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Road to Freedom

The second of a series of dramatic productions, "Road to Freedom," portraying the story of the common man's fight for human rights through the ages, will be presented tonight at 8:30 o'clock on Station WMAL.

The program, arranged by The Star, will be broadcast through the co-operation of the Washington Civic Theater, Georgetown University and the National Broadcasting Co. This evening's episode, "This New Liberty," will deal with the Bill of Rights of the Constitution of the United States.

Tune in WMAL this evening at 8:30 for this broadcast of a series The Star hopes you will enjoy.

Farmers in 19 States Balloting Today on Crop Control

Administration Officials Await Results, Believing Law Hinges on Voting

BACKGROUND—Marketing quota system comprehensive administrative fixing of amount of crops each grower of certain commodities may sell without being subject to penalty tax. One of New Deal efforts to keep farm prices at reasonable level, it has been under fire particularly by proponents of "domestic allotment" plan, by which production would be unlimited and foreign "dumping" encouraged for surpluses.

By the Associated Press. The issue of governmental control as opposed to unlimited production confronted growers of three major crops today.

In 19 States, stretching from the South Atlantic to the Pacific, growers of cotton, rice and flue-cured tobacco gathered at rural schoolhouses, courthouses and other public buildings to cast secret ballots on proposals that the Agricultural Adjustment Administration be given power to limit their sales in 1939.

Officials estimated that upward of 2,500,000 farmers were eligible to vote.

Administration leaders watched the balloting closely, for they conceded that the fate of the present crop control law at the forthcoming session of Congress might hinge on the results.

The producers were asked whether they favored invoking quota provisions of the Farm Act to prevent "covered" workers who die before reaching the age of 65.

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accumulation of additional price-depressing surpluses. If two-thirds of the growers voting cast affirmative ballots on each crop all producers will be limited. Those over-selling would be subject to penalty taxes.

Administration officials followed a vigorous campaign between advocates of the administration farm program and a substitute proposal that would eliminate acreage allotments, benefit (See CROP CONTROL, Page A-7.)

Farm Referenda

Growers Vote Today On Crop Control

By the Associated Press. Here are salient facts about today's farm referenda: Voters—Producers of cotton, rice and flue-cured tobacco.

The question—Whether growers favor use of marketing quotas to restrict sales of these crops next year, as was done this year with cotton and tobacco.

Necessary for approval—For each crop, two-thirds of the producers who participate in the voting.

Polls—Located in 19 States in Southern half of country, they will open not later than 9 a.m. local time, and close at 5 p.m., local time, unless a later hour is established by State A. A. committees.

Tabulation of ballots—Votes will be counted after polls close and results will be made available to the public.

Democracy Imperiled By Worship of State, Eden Declares

U. S. and Britain Must Stand Together, He Says in New York

(Text of Eden Speech on Page A-8.)

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Anthony Eden, former foreign secretary of Great Britain, spoke out emphatically last night for the preservation of the democracy which "we in England and you in America cherish most," and saw as the greatest threat to that democracy "a new form of idolatry, the worship of the state."

Mr. Eden's address to the National Association of Manufacturers was a ringing defense of democracy as "a unity in which we learn from one another. It can never be a barracks where blind obedience is the first essential."

"It would indeed be the greatest irony in human history," he told the 4,000 persons at the banquet and a Nation-wide radio audience, "if mankind were to allow all progress to be stifled by the setting up of this 'worship of the state to which all men must bow down, and to which they must sacrifice their freedom of faith, of speech, of worship.'"

"Man was not, in our view, made for the state. The state was made for man," he said.

Stresses Firm Stand.

The British statesman, who resigned his cabinet post in a difference of opinion with Prime Minister Chamberlain over policies toward dictators, stressed that Great Britain and the United States must stand firm together against the enemies of democracy and "we are (See EDEN, Page A-4.)

Three Federal Agencies Join in Christmas Drive

Agriculture Unit Works Out Novel Appeal for Gifts for Needy

An enthusiastic reception has been accorded The Star's Christmas Campaign at the office of the Panama Canal, whose manner of promoting the campaign might be a style for other Government agencies to follow, it was disclosed today. H. A. Smith, chief of the office, sent a gayly illustrated mimeographed memorandum to all members of the canal force stating:

"We are proud to announce that the Panama Canal is cooperating with The Star, Warner Bros., Theaters, National Broadcasting Co., The Metropolitan Police, the Parent-Teachers' Association and the other Government departments in seeing that no one in Washington will be overlooked this Christmas.

"The plan is very simple: A voluntary contribution of a new toy, doll or non-perishable food is desired. These should be placed on the gift collection table. All contributions should be made on or before Saturday, December 17.

"I heartily approved, and I know that Christmas this year will be happier for all of us in doing this bit for those less fortunate, particularly the children."

Radio Show Given.

Mr. Smith signed the memorandum. The Panama Canal division of the campaign is headed by Harry Millard, assisted by Josephine Miller, Cecil Mears, Fred Cruse, Danny Crowl, Marie Eby, John Crono, George Kimball, Ray Kind and John Thomas.

Last night a campaign broadcast featured a talk by Capt. Joseph C. Morgan, director of the 18th annual Metropolitan Police Christmas party. The show went on the air directly from the precinct 5 station house, under the direction of Lee (See YULE CAMPAIGN, Page A-3.)

Lima Parley To Hear Hull Keynote Today

Contilo and Concha Also to Make Speeches

BACKGROUND—Events of last two years—rearmament of Germany, Anschluss with Austria, dismemberment of Czechoslovakia and anti-Semitic drive in Germany—lend great importance to Eighth Pan-American Conference, at Lima, Peru, as an effort to provide peace for the Americas and forestall danger of attack from outside this hemisphere.

By the Associated Press. LIMA, Peru, Dec. 10.—The Pan-American Conference looked to Secretary Cordell Hull and the foreign ministers of Argentina and Peru today for keynote speeches charting a course for the 21 republics of the Western Hemisphere.

Delegates thronging this hill-rimmed Peruvian capital evinced keen interest in the three speeches, scheduled for a late afternoon session, which were expected not only to call for closer Pan-American cooperation but perhaps to indicate how far their respective governments were willing to go in that direction.

With Secretary Hull on the second day's conference program were Foreign Minister Jose Mario Contillo of Argentina and Dr. Carlos Concha, foreign minister of Peru.

Peru's dynamic President, Oscar Benavides, opened the conference amid colorful pageantry yesterday with the assertion that the Western Hemisphere "wishes to be strong in order to be respected."

American Links Stressed. Though stressing the community of ideals and interests that link American nations, Benavides was careful to say such unity did not cut the Western Hemisphere off from the rest of the world.

Soon after the formal opening Assistant Secretary of State Adolf A. Berle, jr., told a radio audience that the United States was not seeking military alliances with the Latin American republics. Such a course was "obviously out of the question," Berle asserted, denying rumors he was current.

Nations of the Western Hemisphere "have not lived under a system of military alliances, nor so far as I know does any of them care to start such a system now," he declared.

Among delegates, however, there were indications an outright declaration for mutual assistance in case of foreign aggression might be made by the conference.

Now that the Cuban and Argentine delegations have broken the ground by submitting projects for consideration, the first condemning racial persecution and the second advocating regular meetings among the American foreign ministers for mutual consultation, it was expected the various delegations would come forward with proposals they have been keeping up their sleeves.

Proposal Circulated. The Argentine proposed, first concrete move for greater inter-American cooperation, was circulated among other delegations before formal presentation to the conference after some possible revisions as to terminology and methods.

Foreign Minister Contillo's speech was watched with particular attention because Argentina, with traditionally strong ties to Great Britain, has indicated opposition to any commitments for continental defense along the lines of President Roosevelt's wishes.

Secretary Hull's speech was expected to outline United States (See LIMA, Page A-7.)



2 Suspects Confess Safe Theft For Which 2 Others Are in Jail

Two suspects arrested today have taken full blame, police said, in a safe-cracking "job" for which two other men now are serving 3-to-15-year sentences.

Inspector Bernard W. Thompson, chief of detectives, made this announcement after taking statements at headquarters from the new suspects in the theft of a heavy safe containing from \$1,500 to \$2,000 from the offices of the Washington Beef and Provision Co., 1110 E street S.W., during September of 1937.

The two were being held for investigation today as detectives planned to reinterview the convicted men—Henry Raymond Milton, 35, now serving time in the District Jail, and Carman Gail Quantrell, also 35, a prisoner at Lorton Reformatory.

Detectives quoted the new suspects as confessing they broke into the provision company, loaded a 3x3x4-foot safe on a stolen truck, transported the strong box to a lonely spot near Nokesville, Va., hammered it open and threw it into a creek.

The suspects declared, police said, that they obtained only \$590 in cash from the safe. They were quoted as saying they had no assistance on the job. The men were arrested by Lt. Joseph Shimon and members of his "pick-up" squad.

Detectives located the looted strong box buried in the mud of a creek near Nokesville. They found the safe too heavy to raise, but returned the broken door to Washington for identification, they said.

Milton and Quantrell were convicted last July. Both denied all knowledge of the theft. Milton was arrested in September, 1937, shortly after a Government check left in the safe was cashed at a local filling station.

The attendant at the station, police said, identified Milton as the man who cashed the check. Police, they said, could not learn from Milton where the check came from.

Inspector Thompson said a thorough investigation will be made to determine if Milton and Quantrell were actually implicated in the crime. A report will be turned over to the United States attorney's office for any court action which seems advisable.

Seven Men Rescued From Beached Ship By Coast Guard

Breeches Buoy Used To Take Off Crew of Boston Trawler

By the Associated Press. BOSTON, Dec. 10.—In a dramatic Cape Cod rescue in a pelting rainstorm two hours before dawn, seven men were taken off the grounded Boston trawler Andover by breeches buoy today. While a pounding surf threatened to break up the leaking, heavily loaded vessel.

Two others of the crew had taken to a dory earlier, as Coast Guards shot a line from shore to the vessel across 150 feet of rough water.

The Andover, a 93-foot single screw vessel built in 1930, is owned by General Seafords Corp. She piled up on the beach shortly before 2 a.m. in a dense fog.

Her captain, William J. Bruce, who described himself as "an old Scotsman," said "it looked pretty bad for a while." He said waves occasionally rolled as high as his pilot house before the vessel went aground.

Coast Guardsmen at Chatham, Mass., station said the Andover, a week out of Boston, had 50,000 pounds of mixed fish aboard.

She went ashore almost at high tide during a southeasterly storm, and every hour saw her higher out of water as the tide receded. The Coast Guard cutter Chelan was ordered to her aid from Provincetown, but officers said she could do little until the next high tide, in early afternoon.

The rescued seamen were taken to Orleans Coast Guard Station. Men on duty there said they were little affected by their experience and ran no danger of exposure because the weather was warm.

The rescue was achieved by the combined crews of the Orleans and Old Harbor Coast Guard stations, whose quarters, 6 miles apart, were almost equidistant from the Andover.

The trawler encountered trouble almost exactly three years ago—on December 20, 1935—when her engines became disabled on the fishing grounds and the cutter Mojave towed her to Boston.

Capt. E. E. (Swede) Larson Named Navy Coach

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 10.—Capt. E. W. McKee, director of athletics at the United States Naval Academy, announced today the appointment of Capt. Emery E. (Swede) Larson, U. S. Marine Corps, as Navy's head football coach for 1939.

Mexican Oil Barter Report Requested Of Daniels by U. S.

BACKGROUND—Mexico expropriated foreign-owned oil industry last March and has failed to make compensation. Need to dispose of surplus production has forced Mexico to arrange barter deals with Germany and Italy. Dispossessed companies have succeeded in stopping Mexican oil going into France, Belgium and Holland.

By the Associated Press. State Department officials, concerned by reports that Mexico has arranged to barter oil to Germany for machinery and chemicals, asked Ambassador Joseph Daniels today for a full report.

This Government's interest arises from the fact the oil was produced by wells seized from American-owned companies and no compensation has been given.

While there was no official comment, officials here were understood to take the attitude that the disposition of the oil was of extreme interest to this Government so long as claims of the former American owners were unsatisfied.

No Progress for Settlement. President Cardenas of Mexico has recognized that country's obligation to pay and has invited the owners to discuss the question, but there has been no progress toward a settlement.

Mexico City dispatches said about \$17,000,000 worth of oil was involved in the deal, completed through W. R. Davis, New York oil man. Mexico, it was said, will receive some cash as well as German manufacturers and supplies. Not all of the oil will go to the Reich.

The reported German-Mexican oil deal marked a further economic tie between those countries at a time when the administration has been making every effort to rally the nations of this hemisphere to a solid front against penetration of totalitarian political and economic ideas.

Reich Trade Increasing. Reich salesmen are reported to have gained an increasing trade with the United States' Southern neighbor in recent months. American business in Mexico report growing competition on such items as chemicals, office machinery and supplies which Germany formerly did not market there.

Mexico, in addition to expropriating American and other foreign-owned lands, has seized American farm lands for subdivision under its agrarian program. In the case of the farm lands, however, (See MEXICO, Page A-9.)

Successful Grafts Of Endocrine Gland Tissues Reported

By THOMAS R. HENRY. First successful grafts of tissues of endocrine glands, the organs which secrete into the blood stream the potent chemicals which govern nearly every activity of life in both men and dogs, were reported to trustees of the Carnegie Institution of Washington at their annual meeting today by scientists of the institution's department of embryology at Baltimore.

Using a technique which has been developed quietly during the last six years, Dr. George O. Gey of the institution's staff has been able to grow pure cultures of thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal and pancreas cells outside the body in a medium the basis of which is an individual's own blood plasma. In this way the cells have a chance to get acquainted with the type of blood cells upon which they must depend for their sustenance when they are taken out of the test tubes and placed in the living body. Thus they live and continue to secrete the hormones of which there is a deficiency in the patient's own system.

Bits of glandular tissue taken from a living patient during a surgical operation or from a person who immediately after death can be used (See CARNEGIE, Page A-3.)

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Wedding License Record Set at Alexandria

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Earlier this week Mr. Hoffman had predicted today's record as a result of Maryland's two-day "wait" law becoming effective yesterday.

Alexand