

THE WEATHER AT YUMA

Highest last 24 hours.....64
Lowest last 24 hours.....45
Average high this date.....79
Average low this date.....44
Relative humidity 11 a.m. 66%
Forecast for Friday night: Considerably cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Light rain tonight and early Friday. Cooler daytime temperatures.

Yuma--Home of the World's Championship Silver Spur Rodeo

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Truman Predicts Economic Bust

GRAINS DROP ON 3 MAJOR EXCHANGES

Price Declines Continue in Corn, Wheat and Oats

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—(UP)—A major price decline swept the big grain exchanges today and industrial stocks at New York plunged to their lowest level since June 2.

The price of corn, wheat, oats and soybeans dropped, the full limit allowed, for the second day in a row at Chicago, Minneapolis and Kansas City.

At Washington, government officials were wondering whether it was a temporary decline or whether inflation had reached the peak and a sharp downward trend had begun.

Traders disagreed on the cause of the break. Some said corn, had "over-priced itself."

The stock market apparently was reacting to the downward plunge of grains.

Refuses to Comment
President Truman declined to comment on the tumbling prices of the last two days. At a Washington news conference, he said the nation still faces the dangerous prospect of an economic crash unless Congress curbs rising prices.

The price of almost all wheat and corn for future delivery dropped the full limit on the Chicago Board of Trade, and at the big Kansas City and Minneapolis exchanges.

At Chicago, all wheat futures were off the full 10 cents except December, which sold 9 1/2 cents lower. March wheats sold at \$2.65 a bushel.

MISSING COAST FLIER SAFE AT HERMOSILLO

NOGALES, Ariz., Feb. 5.—(UP)—The sheriff's office reported today that William Lewis, San Diego mining man who was believed missing on an airplane flight to Hermosillo, Mexico, is "safe and well" in Hermosillo, Mexico.

Searchers have been combing the desert here for two days trying to locate Lewis.

His partner, Cameron Johnson, also of San Diego, reported he was missing when he failed to arrive here Sunday on a flight from San Diego.

In a wire to the Nogales sheriff's office, Lewis explained that he had stopped at Nogales but took off immediately for Hermosillo without notifying anyone.

Gen. Eisenhower To Retire As Army Chief Sat.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(UP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower announced today he will retire as army chief of staff at noon Saturday.

Eisenhower told a National Press Club luncheon he will take a vacation before assuming his new job as president of Columbia University. He is expected to take his new position in May or June.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley succeeds Eisenhower as chief of staff.

Eisenhower did not say where he will vacation or for how long.

75 Engineers to Attend Pacific Section, Agricultural Engineers, Annual Meeting Here Friday, Saturday

About 75 engineers from Yuma and the Pacific Coast are expected to attend the 26th annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Section of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers to be held here tomorrow and Saturday. It was announced by J. B. Collopy, Gila Project superintendent, who is chairman of the local arrangements committee.

The meetings are to be held at the N. C. O. building at the Yuma airbase and the program for the two-day event follows:

FRIDAY
9:00 a.m.—Registration—Dinner and luncheon tickets can be secured at desk.
9:30 a.m.—Call to order—H. C. Schwaben, Prof. of Agricultural Engineering, University of Arizona, Chairman Pacific Coast Section. Address of Welcome—

Governor Issues 3 Proclamations

Arizona's Governor Sidney P. Osborn this week issued proclamations designating Feb. 6 as Golden Anniversary Jubilation, in honor of the anniversary of the founding of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in 1898; Feb. 8 as Interracial Sunday, urging citizens to dedicate themselves anew to the recognition of the reality of the brotherhood of man; and Feb. 13 as World Day of Prayer.

HEARINGS ON RECOVERY PLAN END

Senate Committee To Begin Writing E.R.P. Bill Monday

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(UP)—The Senate Foreign Relations committee today ended four weeks of hearings on the controversial European Recovery program (ERP). It recessed until Monday when it will begin to write a bill to carry out the plan.

All told, the committee heard more than 100 witnesses—85 of them private citizens—testify for and against the Administration's program or for and against proposed changes.

Chairman Arthur H. Vandenberg, R., Mich., said his committee still was waiting for the State Department to supply answers to some questions before going to work on the legislation. The committee hopes to have the bill ready for the Senate floor in about two weeks.

Vandenberg yesterday predicted Congress would meet the Administration's April 1 deadline for passage.

At its final session, the committee heard Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers (CIO), endorse the Administration program and warn that "an apple a day will not keep totalitarianism away."

It also heard former Rep. Hamilton Fish, R., N. Y., ask that the plan be scaled down and implemented through a defense union of Western European countries.

Rodeo Queen to Be Crowned at Dance Friday

Coronation of the 1948 Silver Spur Rodeo queen will be made Friday at a dance which gets underway at the skating rink at 9 p.m.

The dress will be strictly Western for Queen and subjects alike as Anabel Earp receives the crown from last year's queen, Diane Noonan. Queen Anabel's two attendants, Beverly Fritz and Mildred Godwin, will join her in receiving dozens of gifts from Yuma county businesses.

The festivities are "command performance" for members of the Yuma Junior chamber of commerce, and the public is also invited to witness the rites. The Arizona Buckaroos will be on hand in full strength to provide appropriate music and the Jaycee dance committee under Chairman Sammy Dick will provide refreshments. Tickets will be on sale at the door.

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Opening of Pre-Rodeo Activities Slated Tomorrow; Calf Branding, Wild Cow Milking Contest

Tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 6, marks the opening event of the pre-rodeo street activities to be held daily except Sunday until the opening day of the third annual Silver Spur rodeo, Feb. 14 and 15.

Activities to be held on the main stem of town will all commence promptly at 2 p.m. It has been promised by S. W. Clark, head of the rodeo street activities.

The program tomorrow will be under the supervision of "Snuffy Smith" Gibbs and will include a preview of one of the rodeo events—a wild cow milking exhibition,

and an authentic calf branding. It will be an opportunity for natives as well as visitors to witness this for the first time.

Another unique portion of the program is the matched race between two Tennessee walking horses owned by Brady Collins and Marcel Forpan, prominent valley ranchers.

But a word of caution for the daring: Jaycee vigilantes will work Main street starting tomorrow to round up "uncooperative" folks without Western dress, in order to fill their newly-constructed jail in the middle of Main street.

Merchants Discuss Freedom Train, Rodeo, Roads at Monthly Meeting

Preparation for the Freedom Train, the Silver Spur rodeo, roads, city planning, the coming visits by Minnesota farmers, and Oregon fliers, and the chamber of commerce budget all came in for discussion at the regular monthly meeting of the Merchants committee at the Valley Cafe Palm Room Wednesday noon.

Secretary John Fairweather reported that committees are making plans to arouse interest in the Freedom Train by decorating windows of business establishments and that it is proposed that merchants add atmosphere in the few days preceding the arrival of the train Feb. 21 by wrapping packages in red, white, and blue.

City Planning
Harold C. Giss reported that he had discussed the matter of funds for city planning with the city council and that the body had reacted favorably and is considering plans for providing funds for carrying on further planning work.

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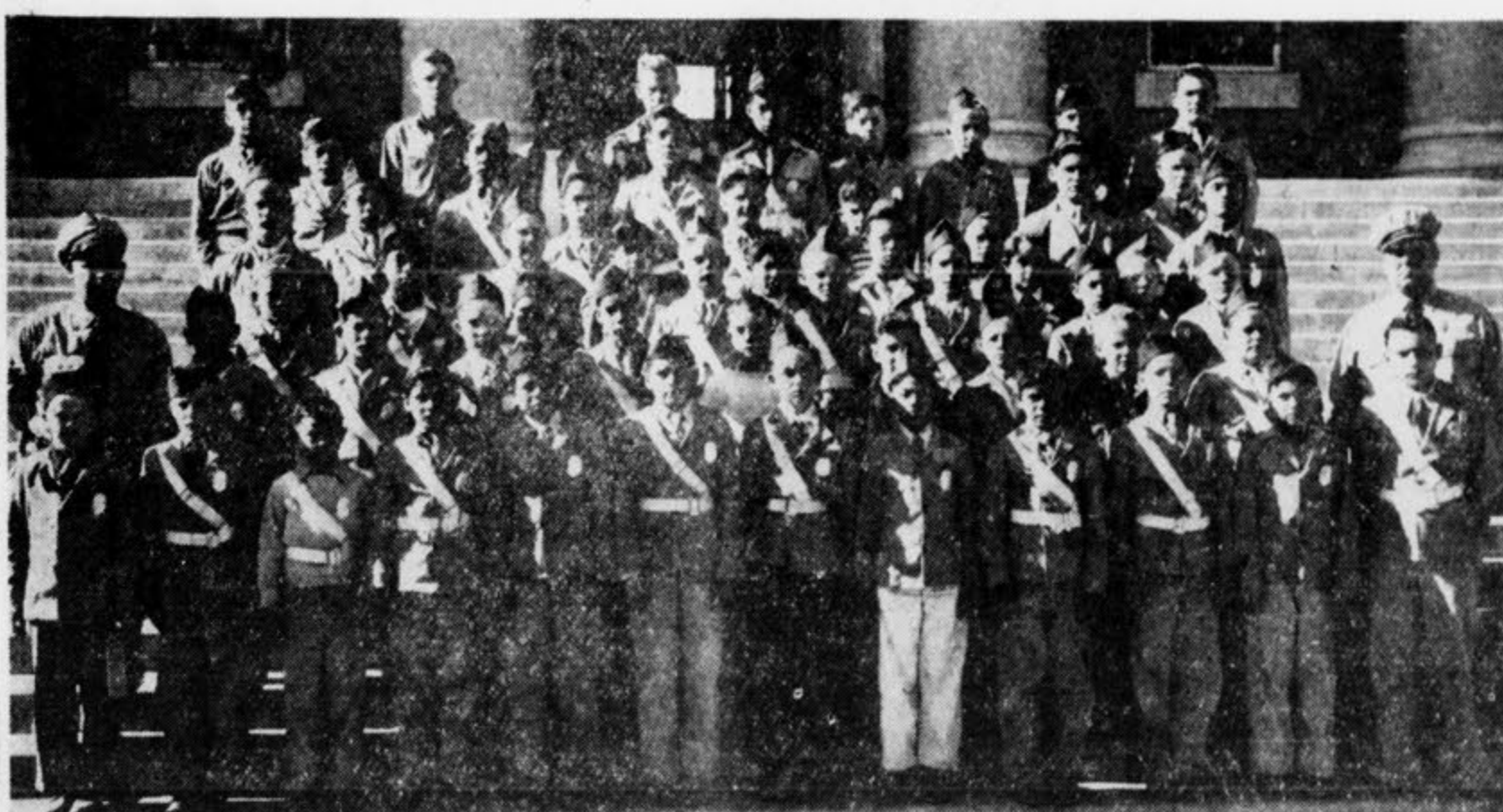
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Safety Patrol Outfitted by Yuma Elks



Substitute Groundwater Code May Reach Senate Floor Today

By DICK SMITH

United Press Staff Correspondent
PHOENIX, Feb. 5.—(UP)—A substitute Groundwater Code, being whipped into shape by Senate and House Judiciary committees, may reach the floor of the State Senate late today.

However, Sen. A. L. Favour, Senate Judiciary committee chairman, said the new Code, in the form of amendments to the one submitted by Gov. Sidney P. Osborn, might not be ready before tomorrow, or even later.

Points tentatively agreed upon in committee include:

1. Protection of all existing rights to groundwater.
2. Control of drilling of new wells and use of water from new wells.
3. Clear definition of groundwater basins so that those using water from surface streams cannot claim rights to groundwater along the beds of those streams.
4. Exemption from control of water used for municipal, domestic, industrial, or agricultural purposes.

Wearing new khaki and red uniforms with white sam browne belts, supplied by Yuma Elks club, are members of the safety patrol at Fourth Avenue grammar school. The patrol is trained and supervised by Yuma City Police department in cooperation with the Arizona State Highway Patrol. In the picture at extreme left is Patrolman Raymond Dehn and at right is Sergeant James Birmingham, patrol sponsors.

Patrol members shown in the picture are: Wayne Humphreys, Dudley Taylor, Gilbert Moreno, David Noriega, Jimmy Zarnemo, Dale Hankin, Bill Hobert, Edward Carvajal, Victor Reo, Arthur Garcia, Edward Vasquez, Billy Whiting, patrol captain; Carlos Gonzales, Tommy Amado, Billy Quimby, Peter Perez, George Jones, Laverna Hall, Norman Chase, Albert Lichenburger, Dennis Usury, Willie Coria, Conrad Amavisca, Raymond Acheson, Jim Morgan, Kenneth Spender, Billy Botter, Joaquin Fox, Frederick Erbe, Jessie Bennett, William Phipps, Angel Sandate, Aurelle Padz, Eugene Beaudon, Neal Phipps, Carlos Moreno, Solomon Sanchez, Marcia McKenney, Frank Almanos Moreno, Steven Moreno, Jimmie Sanchez, Frank Miranda, James Gilliam, Tommy Russell, William Salas, Jack Southerland, Fernando Sanchez, Jake Mulaney, Raymond Ortega, Gordon Jongeward, Frederick Chase, Tony Castro and Joe Wood.

Model Airplane Makers to Meet At H. S. Tonight

Model airplane makers will meet again tonight for the purpose of organizing a Yuma club to further mutual interests.

All persons, young and old, interested in a model plane club are urged to be present at 7:30 p.m. at the auto mechanics shop, Yuma Union high school. Officers will be elected and a name selected for the organization.

Barbecue, Beans To Be Served At Rodeo Grounds

Concessions chiefs for the Silver Spur Rodeo, Howard and Woodie Jongeward, revealed today that they have been granted permission from United Feature Syndicate and Gus Arriola, creator of the comic strip, "Gordo," to use the special recipe for "Gordo Beans" at the 1948 Silver Spur Rodeo.

This unique "beans with cheese" dish, something no local gourmet should fail to sample, will be served in cups at the "chow" booth. The Gordo bean booth will be decorated with reproductions of Gordo himself.

The Jongeward brothers promise another special gastronomic treat for rodeo fans: barbecued beef sandwiches prepared by that master chef, Abe Marcus.

Gates of the rodeo grounds will open at noon so that all rodeo goers can lunch at the grounds and be on hand for the grand entry and first colorful event.

Western Dress Uplift
Jaycees this week are urging Yumans to assume the "new Western look" in their dress. No action will be taken against uncooperative dudes until Friday, but after that all culprits will be lodged in the newly constructed "cooler" on Main street until they change their way of living.

Plan Final Rites Friday for Mrs. Margarita Torres

Margarita Torres, 55, died at the Yuma General hospital Wednesday afternoon following a short illness.

Born in Mexico, Mrs. Torres has resided in Yuma with her husband, Jesus, for the past 24 years.

The body will lie in state at the Apostolic church on 15th Avenue this afternoon and tonight. Funeral service will be held at the church Friday at 2:30 p.m. with a procession to follow to the Yuma cemetery.

SAYS CRASH DUE UNLESS STEPS ARE TAKEN TO CURB INFLATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(UP)—President Truman said today that unless Congress acts to stop rising prices, this country faces the dangerous prospect of an economic crash.

At his news conference the president reiterated in strong words his desire for legislation to curb inflation.

Waving a chart which showed a continuous rise in the price of cost-of-living items, the president told reporters that unless some way is found to stop what he called this awful spiral, the inflationary trend will proceed to its logical conclusion.

This logical conclusion, the president said, would be a crash. And that, he added, we don't want to see.

Mr. Truman also expressed the belief that Republican efforts to cut his budget would get absolutely nowhere.

This fanned a reporter's inquiry for the president's reaction to efforts in Congress to slash \$2,500,000,000 from his \$39,700,000,000 budget request for the fiscal year starting July 1. A cut of that amount was recommended yesterday by a Senate-House subcommittee.

Cites 1917 Example
The president said he had heard much the same talk last year when he requested \$37,500,000,000. The budget actually ended up at \$37,700,000,000, he said.

This showed, the president said, that he had submitted a pretty tight budget. The same, he added, is true of his budget this year.

His decision of the need for anti-inflation controls began when his opinion was sought on the current drive to control meat prices and revive rationing.

Mr. Truman said his opinion is just what it was Nov. 17 when he asked the special session of Congress for standby wage, price and rationing powers to be used if necessary.

Then the president picked up a price chart prepared for him by the Budget Bureau. It showed that all cost-of-living items, including food, clothing and rent, have gone up since his Nov. 17 message. The president said he found the situation alarming.

Dr. Ralph McDonald, representing the National Education Association, spoke to the students of high school today on the subject, "Teaching as a Career." In his address at the regular weekly assembly he emphasized the dignity and importance of the teaching profession, and urged capable students to choose it as a life work.

Dr. McDonald spoke to the teachers of Yuma and surrounding communities at a three o'clock meeting on the subject, "Present Problems of Education."

Having taken an active part in parent-teacher organizations, and having had broad teaching experience from rural schools to university professorships, Dr. McDonald is qualified to speak with authority upon the matter of coordinating the interests of home and school. "Tonight at the high school auditorium the public will have the opportunity of hearing his free public address on the subject, 'Recruiting the Community for Education.'"

The address will begin at 8:00 p.m.

Quilt and Jacket Reported Stolen

A quilt and a green jacket was reported stolen last night from the room of Carlos Vega near the Tenth street grocery.

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BULLETIN!

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Ban on Shipment Of Grapefruit Is Lifted, Arizona

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 5.—(UP)—The ban on picking and shipment of Arizona grapefruit was lifted today by J. M. Foote, state supervisor of fruit and vegetable inspection, but restrictions on ornamentals.

The embargo was clamped on a week ago because of a hard freeze in citrus growing areas. Foote said about 40 per cent of the grapefruit on trees when the cold spell came was damaged and would be barred from shipment by inspectors.

Continued warm weather will be required to disclose the extent of damage to oranges.

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