

Weather at Yuma

Highest last 24 hours	73
Lowest last 24 hours	41
Average high this date	72
Average low this date	49
Relative humidity at 11 a.m.	21%

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Weather Forecast

FORECAST for Tuesday night: Clear or high scattered cloudiness with little change in temperature. Breeze to high winds tomorrow afternoon.

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Stalin Bids Accepted by Finland

2,000 SEE THRILLING AIR SHOW

An estimated crowd of 2,000 spectators viewed spectacular and breath-taking aerobatics and showmanship of the skies at its best yesterday afternoon at the All American Air Show at Yuma county airport.

Sponsored by the Yuma county chapter of National Aeronautics association, the show presented thrill after thrill as eight major events were run off in precision manner before the neck-crane and squint-eyed crowd under a brilliant and warm sunshine.

Considerable surprise was held by the crowd mid-way in the air show when Cliff Hicks, flying along with Don Hackett in an exhibition of well-executed wing-tip to wing-tip formations suddenly dropped from the twin-engine plane at 3,000 feet and performed a loose parachute strap had jammed his rudder controls. He immediately landed without trouble, employing use of trim tab and aileron controls.

Plane Disappears
Following Hicks' landing, his aerial partner, Hackett circled the field and became lost from the eyes of show officials and failed to report in at any Yuma county airport. Yuma NAA officials last night said they believed he had headed for his home at Los Angeles.

Expert piloting and aerobatics of a Lister Koffman glider by Richard Lyons opened the afternoon's show as the record-holding glider pilot cut loose from a tow plane at 3,000 feet and performed 15 minutes of 5-turn spins, stalls, spirals, and other difficult powerless movements, finally making a perfect one-point landing.

Comedy entered into the show (Continued on Page 3)

Graves Goes On Trial, Charge Of Murder

Opening hours of the trial of Ray Marvin Graves, which began this morning, were devoted to selection of jurors before an almost capacity court room of jurors, interested spectators and attorneys.

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Sitting on the bench, in place of Judge Henry C. Kelly, was Judge J. W. Faulkner, Mohave county superior court judge, upon a request for a change of judges by the defendant.

Representing the state were Attorneys A. Eddy, Lewis Ingraham, and Peter C. Byrne. William Nabours and James B. Rolle, Jr., appointed by the court, represent the defendant.

Selection of jurors in the murder trial, a very slow process, is expected to continue throughout today. At noon today 32 jurors had been questioned by attorneys for both sides.

Fined \$100 On Reckless Driving Charge, U. S. 80

B. E. Lovett, who pleaded guilty of reckless driving yesterday on Highway 80 near the Yuma county airport, was assessed a fine of \$100 in justice court this morning.

Legislature Prepares to Wind Up Fifth Session by Wednesday Night

PHOENIX, March 8.—(AP)—A flock of minor bills were approved by the Arizona House of Representatives today as the fifth special session of the Legislature moved steadily towards a Wednesday adjournment.

Both the House and Senate were concentrating in the remaining hours on measures covering subjects listed in Gov. Sidney P. Osborn's call. A must list of required measures received House approval last week and are being speeded to the upper chamber before that body can act on duplicate bills.

Among the bills approved on final reading by the representatives today were two which authorize the establishment of state day schools on military reservations and appropriate funds for the state apprenticeship council.

Four bills and two concurrent resolutions received the Committee of the Whole House to pass recommendation and will come up for passage either later today or first thing tomorrow.

Most important of the commit-

Gave \$16,000 Bad Check for Two Airplanes Here

A search is being conducted by law officers for a man representing himself as G. G. Smith. He is charged with writing a bad check for the amount of \$16,000 in payment of two airplanes.

Smith is reported to have purchased two airplanes Saturday from Southern Air Motors at the Yuma county airport, paying for the planes with a \$16,000 check made out to the account of G. G. Smith, Toronto, Canada. A check-up revealed the check to be no good.

Speaking with a French Canadian accent, Smith is said to be about 46 years of age, five feet eight inches tall, and weighs approximately 140 pounds. He is reported to be driving a late model black Mercury sedan and was registered last weekend at the Del Sol hotel.

Dolores Vance Is Chosen YUHS Good Citizen

Yuma Union high school's candidate for the Good Citizenship Pilgrimage to Washington, D. C., sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution is Dolores Vance, it was announced by Mrs. Mark Welter, Sr., of the local DAR chapter.

Miss Vance, who won the local contest, has been designated the Good Citizen of YUHS. She will compete in Phoenix for the State Pilgrim title and if she wins will represent Arizona in the National contest.

The senior class of the local school selected three girls who possess the following four qualities to an outstanding degree:

1. Dependability—which includes truthfulness, loyalty, punctuality.
2. Service—cooperation, courtesy, consideration of others.
3. Leadership—personality, self-control, ability to assume responsibility.
4. Patriotism—unselfish interest in family, school, community and nation.

From those three girls the high school faculty selected the Good Citizen. Her name has been sent to the state superintendent of public instruction.

12 JOIN ARMY HERE, FEBRUARY

The U. S. Army and Air Force recruiting service at the city hall announced the following enlistments for the month of February: John C. Bolton, son of Mrs. Emma Bolton of the Post Apartments, Yuma, enlisted for three years for assignment to the European Command.

Robert W. Curtis of Huntington Park, California, enlisted for three years for duty with the Signal Corps.

Lee Faz, son of Mrs. Rose Faz of San Luis, enlisted for three years for duty with the Eighty-second Air Borne Division.

David E. Johnson, son of David M. Johnson of Somerton, enlisted for three years with the Air Force.

Joseph Kahl, son of Mrs. Clotilda Kahl, 125 N. Seventh Avenue, Yuma, enlisted for three years for assignment to the European command.

Corbett Eugene Marshall of Athalia, Ohio, enlisted for three years for duty with the Eleventh Airborne Division.

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F.F.A. HONORS KORT MEIER AT BANQUET

Eight Yuma county men and two visiting Future Farmers were made honorary members of the Yuma chapter of Future Farmers of America at a banquet honoring Kort Meier, Jr., Saturday night.

The program was conducted by the officers of the local chapter with Jim Smith, chapter president, acting as master of ceremonies.

Local men to receive the membership honor in ceremonies conducted by freshmen officers of the chapter were: Guy Williams, James M. Lee, Sam M. Smith, Frank Johnson, Elmer Lattie, A. T. Daniels, James B. Rolle and Ernie Douglas.

The visitors were Eugene Hanson, Garland, Utah, national student secretary of the F.F.A., and Bob Taylor, Grants Pass, Ore., past national first vice president of the organization.

Meier Gets Blanket

Honoring Kort Meier, whose outstanding achievements in the chapter have earned him the office of fourth national vice president, Eugene Hanson presented him with a blanket inscribed with the F.F.A. emblem on behalf of the Yuma chapter.

Formal presentation of the award for second place in the achievement contest, won by the Yuma chapter at the national convention in Kansas City last fall, was made by Bob Taylor, who praised the local club highly and said that he hoped they would step (Continued on Page 3)

Howard Young, Former S. P. Engineer, Dies

Howard Young, 57, for many years a resident of Yuma and veteran Southern Pacific engineer but more recently a bartender at the Arizona Bar, died at the Yuma General hospital last night, it was announced at the Johnston Mortuary.

He was born in Downsville, Calif., Oct. 15, 1890.

Surviving are the widow, Elena, two daughters, Mrs. Lucille Strange of Yuma, and Mrs. Elva Ann Carson of Monrovia, Calif., three grandchildren and two brothers, H. A. Young of San Jose, Calif., and J. A. Young of Los Gatos, Calif.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Scouters to Hold Training Course

A. S. "Andy" Gibbons, chairman of leadership training, today announced a safety training course for scout leaders to be held at the Yuma Sea Scout base next Sunday, March 14, between the hours of 12 noon and 8 p.m.

Prominent Instructors

Three prominent instructors have been secured for this course. Norman Adair, Yuma's pistol expert of national fame, will give instruction on firearm safety. P. I. "Pete" Kramer, Yuma's first aid instructor, will present dramatized first aid work, and Kent Bramwell, waterfront safety. Special invitations to attend this course have been extended to public spirited volunteer workers in the scout movement from the Imperial valley.

Chairman Gibbons urged all scouts of the Eastern district to take part in this outstanding safety seminar so that they may better serve the youth of this community. In addition, this course will fulfill the requirement for Safety and First Aid in the five-year training program for scout leaders, which award leads to the winning of the coveted Scouters Award or Scoutmaster's Key. Mr. Gibbons added that a hearty supper will be served all attending scouts.

S. P. Man Found Dead Near Track

A dead man, believed to be an asthmatic victim, was found by officers this morning lying next to the railroad tracks across from the Texaco Oil plant.

Papers carried on the body of the middle-aged man indicated he was Joseph B. Cann, Southern Pacific company section hand.

Coroner R. H. Lutes stated that the body appeared to have been lying there about 24 hours. As there was no evidence of foul play, no inquest will be held.

Anabel Earp, Yuma Rodeo Queen, Candidate for Phoenix Throne



Her Majesty Anabel Earp, 1948 Silver Spur Rodeo queen, will seek added laurels next Sunday when she enters state-wide competition for the queen's crown of the Phoenix World's Champion Rodeo to be staged April 9-10-11.

To be sponsored by the Yuma Junior Chamber of Commerce, Queen Anabel will appear with other contestants at Phoenix Sunday, March 14, in an elimination contest where candidates will be judged solely on horsemanship. Queen Anabel's mount will be "Diamond," owned by Kort Meier, Yuma valley rancher.

Final judging will take place upon the stage of a Phoenix the-

Road Is Good to Within Half Mile Of Palm Canyon, Marcus Reports; C.C. Tour to Take Place Sunday

The road is good to within one-half mile of Palm canyon, Abe Marcus, master of ceremonies for the Sunday, March 14 desert tour, has reported. The trip to the canyon will follow Highway 95 to within nine miles of the canyon and the road from there is well graded and part of it is oiled, Marcus says.

Mr. Marcus made the trip last week with James Chappell to make his plans for conducting the tour and serving the barbecue lunch at the canyon. He says that the last half mile is the hardest and that a stiff climb is necessary to get on into the canyon proper.

"But that will not be hard on the tough desert rats of this area," Abe opines. "You gotta

be tough to live on the desert and I'll bet most of them will make the trip up to the canyon."

For those who do not wish to climb, however, there is plenty of scenery in the area and on the way.

Careful preparations for the safety and comfort are being made by the Recreation commission and the chamber of commerce, sponsors of the trip. Miss Irene Knight of the Red Cross will have a first aid station, a repair and tow car will accompany the caravan, plenty of water will be taken in a tank car, the sheriff's office will provide a radio car with a two way communication system and arrangements are being made to take plenty of pictures on the trip.

Deputy Sheriff James Cawley reported that Raymond Paddock was burned to death after an oil lamp, upset during a drinking brawl, ignited the house.

Alonso Paddock, Cawley said, admitted knocking over the lamp during the fight and leaving his brother lying in the burning house.

Plan Program For Drawing of 26 Veterans Homesteads Wednesday

Officials of the City of Yuma and the Bureau of Reclamation are setting the stage today to make the drawing for 26 veterans' homesteads here Wednesday an auspicious occasion.

Fifty-two capsules will be drawn from the glass bowl containing 540—those who passed the preliminary screening as having satisfied minimum requirements.

The first 26 names drawn will get first chance at the homesteads which are situated in the Valley and Reservation division of the Yuma project. The next 26 will be alternates, who will get homesteads only if some of the first group turn down their homesteads, or fail to qualify.

Program at 10

A program starting at 10 a.m. in the American Legion hall will precede the actual drawing. The Yuma Union high school band will turn out for the occasion, the mayor will say a few words, a representative of Yuma veterans will speak, and the public is in-

cluded.

Although veterans are not required to be present for the drawing, it is expected that many of them, especially local vets, will be there to learn their fate.

Henry Frauenfelder, president of the Yuma County Water Users association, will give an address of welcome and Steve Blake, chairman of the examining board, will speak briefly on the job of selecting the veteran homesteaders.

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Car Is Reported Stolen From Parking Lot

Auto of Donald B. Baca, Mesa Vista Homes, was reported stolen from a parking lot adjacent to the Yuma Cafe Saturday night. The car, a 1938 model Ford coupe, license plate number H-H 2052, is painted black with red wheels.

Boy, 3, Hurt In Fall From Car

Berry Myer, age 3, suffered minor bruises Saturday when he opened the door and fell from a moving auto driven by his father, Roy Myer, 1306 Fourth avenue. The child was given immediate medical attention and taken home.

U. S. SOLDIER SHOT BY RUSS AT VIENNA

VIENNA, March 8.—(AP)—The U. S. provost marshal reported that a Russian guard knocked an American soldier down with his gun butt early today and hit him in the back as he lay prostrate.

The provost marshal, Col. Bernard Hurless, said the soldier was wounded seriously, and that the incident was "deliberately provoked by the Russians."

"Without doubt the Russians are clearly at fault in this one," Hurless said.

The name of the soldier was withheld pending notification of kin.

Hurless said the soldier probably would lose an arm as a result of the shooting, but was expected to recover.

Yuma Sunshine Makes Hit With Oregon Fliers

Yuma really "cashed in" on favorable publicity as a result of the good will and good flying weather that 80 flying Oregonians found here 10 days or so ago.

Reporting on the Oregon international air tour, the Portland, Oregonian, one of the state's largest newspapers, said:

"The air tour, which set a new record for number of planes and miles flown in search of sunshine, found it at last in Yuma."

"Not a cloud obscured the sky x x x across the desert to the 'biggest little city on the border,' which boasts more marriages and more sunshine than any city in the state."

"The rain, wind and snow that rode the wings of the tour all the way south vanished like the snows of yesteryear, leaving such a pretty picture on the weather map the 80 flying businessmen still with the tour decided Friday night to end the mass flight at Yuma and scatter to separate winter resorts en route home."

"The tour ended officially on a high note in Yuma with Anabel Earp great-grandniece of the famous frontier marshal, Wyatt Earp, as personal host. Guests of the Yuma county chamber of commerce annual dinner, the airborne executives and their wives heard an address by author Clarence Budington Kelland on the importance of the tourist crop."

5 Americans Safe After Being Adrift In Gulf of Calif.

GUAYMAS, Sonora, Mexico, March 8.—(AP)—Five Americans who spent two days adrift on the Gulf of California in a small pleasure fishing boat were returned here safe today.

They were rescued yesterday by Tugboat Capt. Luis Soriano, who brought them here after a Lamasa Airline pilot sighted their craft adrift 20 miles south of Guaymas.

American Consul Edward Webster talked by radio to the five Americans, including three vacationing girls from Tucson, Ariz., and a honeymooning couple from Claremont, Cal., and reported them all unharmed.

"We had a great time. Mr. and Mrs. John Muller, Jr., Claremont, told Soriano."

Capt. Abraham Carrasco, Mexico City, a Lamasa pilot, first spotted the boat yesterday morning, some 48 hours after it first vanished on a pleasure cruise.

The Tucson girls were identified as Kathryn Stone, Jacqueline Walker and Myra Wallace. Two Mexican crewmen also were aboard.

Water Users Elect 3 Governors And 5 Councilmen

The annual election of the Yuma County Water Users association Saturday was a quiet affair as three members of the board of governors and five councilmen were elected without opposition.

The three governors elected were S. H. Sturgess in Council District Two; Joe F. Morrell, District Three; and J. C. Hunter, District Six.

Councilmen chosen were: District 2, R. E. Brandon; District 3, Jay Brazzel; District 4, Harold Yarwood; District 5, A. W. Franklin; and District 6, Clyde Havins.

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County Democrat Com. To Elect Chairman Tonight

Members of the Yuma county Democratic central committee will meet tonight at the court house at 8:30 to select a successor to the late M. J. Hackett as chairman, secretary Henry E. Goldman announced today.

Plans will also be discussed for the state Democratic committee meeting called by State Chairman E. T. Cusick for Mar. 20.

WOULD BAN SHIPMENTS TO RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, March 8.—(AP)—The Senate today unanimously approved a Marshall Plan amendment aimed at cutting off shipments of scarce U. S. industrial goods to Russia.

The amendment, sponsored by Sen. William F. Knowland, R. Cal., was accepted by Senate President Arthur H. Vandenberg and approved after.

1. Sen. Kenneth McKellar, D. Tenn., called on the United States to serve notice on Russia that one more Soviet aggression in Europe means war.

2. Secretary of State George C. Marshall made an unusual personal appeal to House Speaker Joseph W. Martin, Jr., for speedy congressional action on the European Recovery Program.

3. The violence, first in the crisis over the Russian pact, broke out when Hentunen tried to speak to a crowd of 5,000 people in the Helsinki rail station square late yesterday.

Phoenix Judge Resumes Drive Against Bookies

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Meanwhile, preparations continued for hearing the testimony of some 40 witnesses who will be called in the secret gambling inquiry before Judge Beauchamp.

165 Cars Yuma Vegetables Shipped

Vegetable shipments from Yuma valley over the weekend totaled 165 carloads, Cecile Purdise reported for Market News service. The period included Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

For lettuce, which comprised 18 a vote of 112 to 94, ten votes the market about steady. Crates of 5's sold mostly for \$2.50, 4's for \$3.

Twelve cars of carrots and 15 of mixed vegetables completed the activity.

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REDS BREAK UP MEETING AT HELSINKI

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President Juho K. Paasikivi and the cabinet reached the decision to negotiate with Russia at a meeting this afternoon, a member of the government reported after the momentous session.

The foreign affairs committee of the cabinet had met shortly before noon at the presidential palace. The full cabinet meeting was called to hear the committee's recommendations.

Erikki Haerme, deputy minister of transport and public works, said after the full cabinet meeting that the decision had been made to accept the Soviet proposal for negotiations on a friendship and military pact.

The first violence of the Russian treaty crisis occurred yesterday when Communists broke up a meeting at which Ernesti Hentunen, leader of the small Radical party with 3,000 members, spoke against the treaty.

The Communists also tried to kick and beat Hentunen. Six persons were arrested during the disorders. Police at first said those arrested were Communists.

Later a police spokesman corrected this. He said those arrested were Hentunen's bodyguards. They were arrested by mistake, he said, and no Communists were taken into custody.

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In the Maricopa county convention Kelland won the 116 delegates by a vote of 112 to 94. Ten votes could have changed the result.

The fight between Kelland and Bilby will be renewed this week at Yuma and Pima county conventions, according to Corbett. Pima county will have the

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