

Snowfall Slacks Off In Decatur

Decatur's snowfall slackened off this morning according to reports from weather observer Louis Lantieri as only .03 inches of precip-

itation was recorded this morning. Monday, the snowfall amounted to about one-half inch, or .08 of precipitation. St. Mary's river also is declining as the level today is 9.45 feet. Monday, the river was 10.75 feet. Saturday, the river

reached above the theoretical flood stage of 13 feet by hitting the high mark of 13.12 feet. Precipitation Saturday amounted to .05 inch. Trade in a good town — Decatur.

Ike Has One Year Left In White House

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WASHINGTON (UPI) — Backstairs at the White House: Give or take a few hours, President Eisenhower has precisely one year left in the White House, and during that year he can be relied upon to make many more trips of the type he made last week to Albany, Ga.

Eisenhower now accepts the jet age and intends to live in it. He sped from Washington to southwest Georgia in less time than it takes him to motor from the White House to his farm in Gettysburg.

His government 707 jet transport puts good weather within close reach of Washington when measured in flying time, and the President is not expected to spend too many weekends cooped up by bad weather.

The clue to Eisenhower's hunt for a trip to the Georgia estate of W. Alton Jones was available well in advance, but few people recognized it as such. The weekend before he flew South, the President was out on his skeet range in Gettysburg, sharpening up his shooting eye.

He rarely uses the skeet range unless he plans to do some hunting or wants to try out a new gun. In this case, it was both because he brought back several inviting gift guns from Europe.

Could it be a sign of world conditions? Frequently, at weekly intervals, an official of the Central Intelligence Agency comes to the White House for a highly secret briefing on hot spots around the globe for the benefit of ranking members of the President's staff.

This is in addition to the daily situation report for the President from CIA and the CIA reviews before the National Security council.

The President very much dislikes the pigeons that on occasion dirty up his glistening clean barn

in Gettysburg. He's been known to take out after them with his shotgun.

Now, he's after birds of another feather—starlings at the White House.

The Parks Service has been trying out a new anti-starling spray. It worked with some success on the south grounds of the White House where the trees were drenched with the new potion.

Recently the north grounds were sprayed and what happened? The starlings moved across the street to the old State Department building.

So, the spray program had to be widened to include the trees around Old State and therein lies a new problem: The spray apparently has run most of the pesky birds away from the White House, but to where? Next door.

The park people, to be fair about the whole thing, may have to end up spraying an awful lot of downtown real estate. By the time they reach the suburbs, the spray at the White House will be worn off the trees, the starlings will be back and the process will have to start all over again.

Seems sort of hopeless.

Fidel Castro In New Attack Against U.S.

HAVANA (UPI)—Premier Fidel Castro's new attacks on the United States and such leading officials as Vice President Richard M. Nixon appeared today to have brought U.S.-Cuban relations to the lowest point in years.

In a radio broadcast Monday, Castro described Nixon as "insolent" and said the U.S. attitude toward Cuba was "excessive and insulting."

Both comments stemmed from American protests against seizure of U.S.-owned property in Cuba by Castro's land reformers. Nixon said in a recent speech that Cuba had adopted a policy of "confiscation without compensation."

The premier assailed Cubans "who applaud a foreign ambassador in movie houses"—an apparent reference to the enthusiastic reception accorded newsreel shots of U.S. Ambassador Philip Bonsal's recent return from Washington.

Castro said he will go on the air again soon to present "important documents" purporting to prove that "a foreign embassy" is taking part in an alleged campaign of "provocation against Cuba." He gave no details.

The bearded Cuban leader appeared on Monday's radio show for the specific purpose of receiving a \$253,000 check for arms purchases from commentator Jose Pardo Llada. Pardo said the money was contributed by listeners.

"We are ready to fight," Castro said in accepting the check. "The arms are for the defense of our sovereignty, but the important thing is that behind each gun is a man ready to defend the country."

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ical College of Virginia in Richmond and the bodies would be brought there for identification.

Capital and Civil Aeronautics Board investigators met in Richmond to make plans for an investigation into the cause of the crash.

Former Air Force Col. James B. Bornasero, Muskegon, Mich., the Viscount pilot, made his last radio report at 9:01 p.m. c.s.t. at 8,000 feet over Tappahannock, Va., roughly half way on the flight from Washington to Norfolk.

Sift Ashes for Clues
It was nearly 7 a.m. before anyone could even poke about the smoldering wreckage with sticks.

The plane's fuselage and wings were a twisted molten mass of metal. Only the tail section, with "Capital Viscount" emblazoned across it, stood as a recognizable part of the plane in the dense woods and soggy swamp.

Soldiers called in from nearby Ft. Eustis, Va., help keep the swarm of curious back assisted in bringing the blackened remains from the wreckage. Other rescuers began sifting through the ashes for signs of rings or watches and for clues to the crash.

By 8:30 a.m. six baskets containing charred pieces of 15 bodies had been brought out to await the trip to the morgue. It appeared dental examinations would be the only sure way to establish identities. An airline spokesman said he was being checked as a possible aid to identifying the dead.

The plane's wings were intact, one impaled on a small tree. Other trees in the immediate area were broken but there was no path of broken trees to indicate the plane had glided in.

A Navy helicopter pilot who flew over the scene said the Viscount fell "straight down like a helicopter would."

Wreckage was confined to a small area, hardly 50 feet from the plane in any direction. A few coats were scattered around and one of the stewardess' caps was found on the ground.

Eliminates early

Sen. Hartke Scores Flood Control Plan

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Vance Hartke (D-Ind.) assailed President Eisenhower's flood control program Monday and accused the president of issuing misleading figures in his budget statement.

Hartke said in a prepared statement released by his Washington office that Eisenhower "gutted" the program.

"Ravaged by flood waters again and again, Indiana is now washed out by the President," Hartke said.

Hartke was particularly critical of Eisenhower's statement that the budget provision for flood control and navigation increased this year.

"He has ignored the fact that the increase is for the Panama Canal, not Indiana," Hartke said. He stated that, though the total money recommendations increased, there was little or no increase for projects along the Wa-

bash and Ohio River valleys. He said the Mason J. Niblack and West Terre Haute levees, for which planning funds were appropriated in the current year, were eliminated from the 1961 budget.

Hartke said further that many of the projects recommended by Sen. Homer Capehart (R-Ind.) and himself were endorsed by the Army engineers.

"We are asked to stand still with development of modern locks and dams on the Ohio River, which now carries more tonnage than the Panama Canal and is our chief navigable river in the United States," Hartke said. "The Wabash River, which drains 80 per cent of Indiana, is practically ignored."

Hartke also had some strong criticism for the way the administration handled the recent steel strike.

He charged that Eisenhower's "hands off" policy prolonged the strike needlessly with the result that "the strike ended with the hand of leadership absent and the hand of politics present."

Tobe E. Hostetler Is Taken By Death

Tobe E. Hostetler, 75, father of Mrs. Peter Hilly of Berne, died in his sleep early Sunday morning at the home of a son near Fredericksburg, O. He had been ailing with diabetes but his death was unexpected.

He was born Jan. 31, 1884, at Berlin, O. Surviving are the widow, Emma; six sons and three daughters: Yost of Holmesville, O., Dan, William, Eli, Mahlon, Joni, Mrs. Dan Miller of Fredericksburg, Mrs. Hilly, and Mrs. Jacob E. Hershberger of Apple Creek, O.

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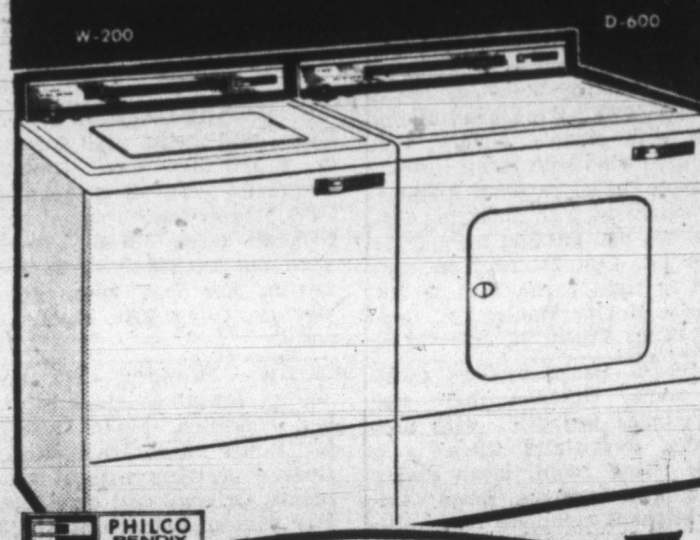
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