

THE WEATHER

Humidity 5 p. m. yesterday 79
Lowest temperature last night 59
Highest temperature yesterday 78
Precipitation for 24 hours—0
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1935 35.18
Excess since Sept. 1, 1935 2.55
Mostly fair and mild.

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EX-U. S. NAVY OFFICER ARRESTED AS SPY

DAY'S BIG NEWS

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Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THIS dispatch comes from Chicago:

"Temperatures traveled toward new high marks today as terrific heat broiled most of the nation and no relief was sighted.

"By mid-morning, the death list for the period reached 363, and crop losses, which no one has been able to accurately estimate, continued to mount toward a possible fabulous sum."

THAT sounds bad, and it is bad.

Drought is a terrible scourge to those who suffer its ravages.

But read this dispatch, which comes from Chengtu, China:

"Drought, flood and famine have claimed MILLIONS of Chinese lives in Szechuan and Honan provinces since spring.

"It has been estimated that THIRTY MILLION are facing death and another ten million are suffering from disease attendant upon lack of food. The populace has taken to banditry and cannibalism, and all manner of animals have been eaten in desperation. Millions sit idly, awaiting almost inevitable death from starvation."

IN SPITE of all its troubles, you see, the United States is a fortunate country. To hundreds of millions, scattered throughout the world, admission to the United States would be the greatest good fortune that could happen.

THERE is much talk (most of it for political purposes) to the effect that we of today are in a pretty bad way—ininitely worse off than those of earlier and happier generations.

Don't let yourself take too much

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IMPROVED PAROLE SYSTEM IS URGED

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—A demand for an "adequate parole system" capable of proper supervision" faced Oregon officials today.

The demand was voiced by Dr. Floyd L. Utter of Salem, vice chairman of the Oregon parole board, in a talk yesterday at the meeting of the newly-organized parole and probation association.

Dr. Utter described the Oregon system as "completely undermanned." (Oregon has a parole board of three unsalaried members and one salaried parole officer.) He called the state's system "inadequate and inefficient."

W. L. Gosselin, secretary to Governor Martin, told the group Oregon needed a uniform parole system for all state penal institutions; a larger parole staff and a salaried board serving full time; a trained psychiatrist for the state's mental patients; a more exact case study and complete history of eligible parolees, and a system of rules governing supervision and conduct of parolees.

Gosselin was named permanent chairman of the new group, formed by representatives from Washington, Idaho, Nevada, California and Oregon. He is to name committees later to select officers and choose a site for the first annual conference.

Dispensers Demand Patrons Check Their Hard Liquor Bottles at Bar

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—If the Oregon Food and Beverage Dispensers, Inc., have anything to say about it, it won't be quite as easy hereafter for an intoxicated person to add to his inebriation.

The group went on record here favoring a method of control whereby a customer would be compelled to check his bottle at the bar and be allowed to reclaim it and receive the "fixings" for a drink only after the management had determined his condition.

Each bottle would be provided with an identification slip. The recommendation, to be made to the Oregon state liquor control commission, also called for authority to remove the bottle if the customer should become intoxicated.

Incidentally, the discussion

RAIN FORECAST GIVEN NORTH DROUGHT AREA

DEATH TOLL 2,276; CROP LOSS BILLION

Thunderstorms Bring Joy to Several Localities and Halt Spread of Devastation.

CHICAGO, July 14.—(AP)—Cool weather and rain was on its way to the heat baked north central states, Weather Forecaster J. R. Lloyd said today, and he added he believed the parched millions would not be fooled this time.

Last Saturday Lloyd predicted a general break in the broiling temperatures. It failed to materialize.

Deaths due to the 12-day heat wave were 2,276 and crop damage was estimated at \$1,000,000,000.

But he said today a precipitation-laden "really cool" mass, which last night brought moisture and rapidly lowered temperatures in parts of the Dakotas, Minnesota and Nebraska, was traveling southeast toward middle America at an average speed of 33 miles an hour.

By tomorrow afternoon or night, he said, the states which will benefit by showers include Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, eastern Kansas, Nebraska, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Ohio and Michigan.

Eastern Minnesota, the western Dakotas, Nebraska and other northwest states which already have benefited from the cool air mass were to receive continued relief from showers today and tomorrow, Lloyd added.

Also due for relief from the intense heat were Michigan, where record shattering temperatures took at least 400 lives in the last few days, and Wisconsin. Lloyd said Illinois, which recorded 284 heat deaths, would not be materially helped by the cool air, but would see a lower mercury reading after the first rain.

As the column of cool air will not continue past northern Ohio and northern Indiana, Lloyd said, the Ohio valley must await its relief from the western weather movement.

This "really cool" air was moving down from the Hudson Bay region in Canada, while the rain-laden mass from the west already had advanced 800 miles in the last 24 hours. The thunder storms they will bring the east and central sections of the north central states will be local but widespread.

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OREGON GETS RADIO SYSTEM APPROVAL

SALEM, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—Formal permit authorizing construction of the state-wide short wave radio system reached here today from the federal communications commission at Washington.

The system will serve the state highway department, state police and state forestry division. There will be 24 radio stations, the largest of which will be located in Salem, Klamath Falls and LaGrande. The cost is \$68,000.

The permit provides that the work shall begin within 60 days after June 23, and shall be completed not later than February 23, 1937. The radio stations will operate on unlimited schedule.

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Karpis Admits Hamm Kidnaping Role

No Likelihood of Food Shortage, No Excuse For Food Price Boosts Now, Secretary Wallace Asserts

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., July 14.—(AP)—Henry A. Wallace, secretary of agriculture, sees "no likelihood now of anything approaching a national food shortage," despite the drought which he described as a "matter for national concern."

"I would like to say by way of reassurance that there is no likelihood now of anything approaching a national food shortage," the secretary said in a radio address here last night.

"We are much better supplied with feed for livestock than we were in 1934. There is an ample supply of vegetables and other foods. Then too, there is no panicky feeling like that which appeared two years ago as the great drought settled down."

"Even if the corn crop in the middle west should be cut severely, the effect would not be felt immediately. In time it would be translated into higher prices for pork * * * But there is no excuse for substantial increases in food prices now. The persons who are using the drought as an excuse to increase their profits are taking advantage of human suffering."

Outlining the drought situation, Wallace said: "It is a matter for

national concern * * * thousands of farmers will need all the help we can give regardless of the weather in the days to come."

The government, he said, "was prepared to take care of the drought in 1934—and it is prepared to do this year."

"Among other things," he said, "the department of agriculture is perfecting plans for a livestock purchase program, but even if there is no break in the dry weather I do not believe we will have to buy as many cattle as we did in 1934. We purchased 8,280,148 head of cattle alone as a result of the drought."

The secretary said the government hoped to "conduct any buying operations that may be necessary so they will not artificially stimulate prices."

Critics Scored.

Lashing out at critics "who have tried for their own purposes to scare the consumer about food scarcity," Wallace said he was convinced "that the events of the past four years, drought included, tell us that a sound national program for agriculture is not only necessary but that it is imperative."

He described as "naive" an "im-

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OREGON FARMERS' RECEIPTS MOUNT

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—The department of agriculture said today Oregon farmers' cash receipts from the sale of principal products during the first five months of 1936 totaled \$21,829,000, highest of any corresponding period, 1933 to 1936 inclusive.

In Oregon farmers also received \$1,061,000 in government benefit payments, raising their total cash receipts to \$22,890,000.

Cash receipts from sales during the corresponding 1935 period totaled \$20,058,000; in 1934 they were \$16,156,000, and in 1933, \$12,471,000.

Benefit payments for the 1935 period totaled \$1,075,000, for 1934, \$781,000.

Cash receipts from sales of livestock and livestock products, 1936 period, aggregated \$16,815,000, other products bringing in \$5,014,000.

In 1935 the ratio of livestock receipts to other products was \$15:241,000 to \$4,817,000; in 1934, \$12:162,000 to \$3,993,000, and in 1933, \$9:278,000 to \$2,193,000.

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TULE LAKE TO GET BANKING SERVICE

KLAMATH FALLS, July 14.—(AP)—D. O. Hood of Portland, a director of the Giannini-controlled First National bank of Klamath Falls, announced today that the bank of America would establish a branch at Tulelake, Calif.

"The banking community is south of here just across the state line in Siskiyou county. Arrangements have been completed for a building and the bank is expected to open for business in 60 days."

TAX FRAUD CHARGE HITS BIG CIRCUS

NEW YORK, July 14.—(AP)—Six persons were named defendants today in ten indictments returned by the federal grand jury charging conspiracy to defraud the federal government of \$3,559,016 on income tax returns of the Blazing Brothers-Tarnum & Bailey combined shows from 1918 to 1932.

Profits of COPCO
SHOW HEAVY GAIN

SAN FRANCISCO, July 14.—(AP)—California Oregon Power company reports May profits of \$77,085 compared with \$18,739 in May last year. Profit for the first 5 months of this year was \$345,571 against \$102,715 in the 1935 period. Last year the company was engaged in writing off extraordinary expenses incurred in 1931.

JOHN W. DOWELL DIES OF APOPLEXY

John Wesley Dowell, 82, resident of Roseburg for more than 62 years, died early this morning at Mercy hospital. He was stricken with apoplexy Monday evening and was removed to the hospital, where he lived only a few hours.

He was born March 9, 1854, in Iowa, and came to Oregon as a young man.

He was one of the earliest market gardeners in Douglas county, and was also the city's first land, shrubs, trees and gardens surrounding the older residences of the city were planted by Mr. Dowell, who in recent years made the late plantings at the new county courthouse. He was employed in caring for the courthouses grounds since the grounds were improved following the erection of the present building.

Surviving are his wife, Annie Averill Dowell, and a grandson, Archie Dowell, of Jefferson, Oregon. Two sons, Alva and Benjamin Dowell, died a few years ago.

Mr. Dowell was one of the two oldest members of the Presbyterian church of Roseburg.

The body was removed to the Roseburg Undertaking company parlors where it is being held awaiting word from relatives before funeral arrangements are made.

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FROM THE HEADLINES

By Deason Richmond

"Traffic on Coast Highway Is Unusually Heavy"

If you're driving on the highways, or even on the byways, you'll find there's lots of people who are going north or south. They are going to conventions or they have some good intentions to investigate a country where they do not have a death.

You will note no great congestion to the worries of depression, for most everyone is driving the latest style of cars; there are lots of fancy trailers, that were built by real car tailors, with their windows all protected by some copper "skeeter bars."

If you hope to find a cottage and prepare some tea and potage and provide a place to rest your weary head, you had best not wait till evening, for their number is decreasing; you may have a bit of trouble to even find a bed.

There are cabins, in great number, where you feel that you can slumber, and it's hard to understand there won't be room; but if you keep on driving till your sleepy time's arriving, you will understand the tourist crop has a very lively boom.

CONGRESS CUT TO ONE HOUSE TO BE SOUGHT

Dr. Townsend Will Offer Plan to Pension Rally; Opposes Roosevelt and Landon.

CLEVELAND, July 14.—(AP)—A one-house congress with the membership greatly reduced from the present size of the house of representatives was proposed today by Dr. F. E. Townsend, old age pension leader.

Planned by his advisors, the doctor took time out from conference preliminary to the Townsend national convention, which opens here tomorrow, to suggest the one-house legislative system and to predict the Townsend organization would have a "working majority" in the house and "a number of senators favorable to our cause."

At the same time Dr. Townsend assailed both the democratic and republican parties and said "the time has come to wipe out partyism," which he described as "an American and undemocratic."

In place of political parties, Dr. Townsend said he would substitute "town hall and neighborhood group" meetings.

Lemke Invited to Join

He disclosed that Representative William Lemke, the Union party candidate for president, had been invited to become a member of the Townsend board of directors. Lemke's answer had not been received at Townsend headquarters here today.

Townsend officials reported 9,000 voting delegates were registered today, with more expected before tomorrow's opening convention session.

Dr. Townsend indicated his opposition to a Townsend party at this time and said his organization would utilize the machine of the two old parties to accomplish its ends.

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MARY E. McLENDON PASSES AWAY HERE

Mary Elizabeth McLendon, resident of Roseburg for more than 36 years, died last night at Mercy hospital following a prolonged illness. Born in Benton county, Arkansas, she was married in 1876 to Robert Pierce McLendon, and moved to Roseburg 36 years ago.

She was a lifelong member of the Baptist church.

Surviving are her husband and two daughters, Mrs. Oscar M. Berrie and Mrs. Frank C. Fitzpatrick, both of Roseburg.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the Roseburg Undertaking company chapel. Rev. J. R. Turnbull officiating. Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

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ROOSEVELT OFF ON ATLANTIC CRUISE

ROCKLAND, Me., July 14.—(AP)—President Roosevelt started his two weeks' sailing cruise today on the schooner Sewardan.

He said he had discussed cooperatives with Governor Louis G. Brann of Maine. Cooperatives, the president said, were one thing that could not be imposed from the top but have grown from the bottom.

The more that can be done to regulate sales, he said, the more will be prevented such years as those that see potatoes a glut on the market.

PRIEST INJURED IN TRAIN-AUTO CRASH

PORTLAND, July 14.—(AP)—Hospital attendants said today that Father Michael Fleming, 28, of Canby, seriously injured when his automobile collided with an electric train near Tigard last night, showed slight improvement today.

Attendees said the shock of the accident had passed and although his condition was serious, it was believed he would recover. He suffered fractures of the left leg, wrist and chest and cuts and bruises.

FORMER KING OF GANGLAND SAYS GUILTY

Sentence Postponed Until Conclusion of Pending Trial of Alleged Confederates.

ST. PAUL, July 14.—(AP)—Alvin Karpis, dethroned king of gangland, pleaded guilty as a conspirator in the \$100,000 ransom kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer, as his case was called for trial in federal court today.

Federal Judge M. M. Joyce deferred sentence until the conclusion of the trial of Edmund G. Bartholmey, former postmaster of Bensenville, Ill., and John P. (Jack) Peifer, St. Paul night club owner, whose trial on similar charges opened this morning.

Thomas J. Newman, attorney for Karpis, told the court his client, one of the actual kidnapers of Hamm, desired to plead guilty.

Karpis' plea was the third admission of defendants in the kidnaping. Previously, Byron Bolton, alleged machine gunner for the Barker-Karpis mob, and Charles (Big Fitz) Fitzgerald, Los Angeles, pleaded guilty. Their sentences, likewise, have been deferred until the end of the present trial.

2 Others in Alcatraz

Two others were indicted as participants in the Hamm abduction but, because they are serving terms in Alcatraz prison for the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping, were not brought to trial. They are Arthur (Doc) Barker, charged as co-leader with Karpis in the two kidnapings who is serving a life term, and Elmer Farmer, former tavern keeper at Bensenville.

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CROP INSURANCE FAVORED BY TABER

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 14.—(AP)—The Rochester Times-Union quoted Louis J. Taber of Columbus, O., master of the National Grange, in an interview today as advocating crop insurance protection for farmers in drought areas.

Taber, who came here to confer with western New York agricultural leaders, was quoted as saying such an insurance plan "would have to be federal in character because of the widespread nature of droughts and our changing climatic conditions."

He said there should be contributions by the states and "each participating farmer should pay a nominal average fee toward maintenance of the fund."

While he said that in a single year crop insurance "might be a drain on the federal treasury," Taber thought a program could be developed to make it "almost self-sustaining."

Taber said he had traveled in 15 states since the drought began in May and described conditions this year as "not yet as bad as in 1934, but in many respects worse than in 1930."

TILLER-TRAIL JOB PROPOSALS ASKED

W. H. Lynch, district engineer, U. S. bureau of public roads, Portland, has issued invitations for bids, to be opened at Portland, July 29, for two miles of grading and one and one-quarter miles advance clearing of the Tiller-Trail national forest highway.

The section to be improved is located in Jackson county, beginning approximately four miles north of Trail. The sum of \$30,000 national forest highway funds have been programmed for this construction.

The total length of the route from Tiller to Trail is 26.2 miles. All except the last five miles north of Trail will be graded with the completion of the proposed project.

Exposed Heart Of Newly-Born Baby Puzzles

EDMONTON, Alta., July 14.—(AP)—Physicians considered a skin-grafting operation today to cover the exposed heart of a newborn baby boy.

"We do not know what to do," said Dr. E. W. Svarich who delivered the baby Saturday. "It might be possible to operate, grafting an artificial chest wall over the heart."

The child, weighing eight pounds, was born to Mrs. Fred Sadeck of Wexed, Alta., 37-year-old mother of six other children.

The baby's heart is fully exposed through an opening in the chest wall two inches wide and three inches long. The vital organ protrudes from the body, its only covering being the outer wall of the heart itself.

The grafting operation, Dr. Svarich declared, would call for an amount of ribs and skin.

He said a solution has been placed on the heart at frequent intervals to keep it moist because of fear it might deteriorate if allowed to become dry.

The baby, normal except for the heart exposure, was brought from a hospital at Willingdon after birth.

20-YEAR TERM ON UNIONIST UPHOLD

SALEM, July 14.—(AP)—The 20-year sentence meted out to John Gillis of Portland on conviction of assault with a dangerous weapon during a controversy between union and non-union Portland woodworkers stood the test of the state supreme court today.

Gillis, business agent for the union, the opinion handed down by Justice Harry Belt stated, had employed several men to "put in the hospital" Alfred Ertman, operator of a woodshop. The charges filed held Ertman was shot through the breast and the bullet also went through the hand of Mrs. Elizabeth Ferguson who was talking with Ertman at the time of the shooting, August 27, 1935.

Willis Billingham and Curt Billingham, charged with committing the actual assault, were also sentenced to ten years each on the two separate indictments, the terms to run consecutively. Jay Lowell, a taxi-cab driver pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years.

Gillis appealed the conviction on the grounds that the court admitted evidence of other crimes alleged to have been committed by the defendant. The opinion affirmed the conviction and sentence of the lower court presided over by Judge Louis P. Hewitt, stating that evidence of previous assaults was "a part of the same composite plan or scheme."

LEGION HONOR HELD BY NANCY TOWERS

Mrs. Nancy Towers, now of Eugene, for many years a resident of Roseburg, is reported to be the only woman holding life membership in Post No. 1 of the American Legion in Portland.

Mrs. Towers was employed for a number of years as head nurse in the Oregon state soldiers' home here. During the World war she served with the army nursing corps at Camp Lewis, and then returned to her work at Roseburg. She has been a resident of Eugene for the past 10 years.

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Relief Appointee Draws Comment Because He's Not Citizen of U. S.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—A comment of the Morning Oregonian that Hugh G. Ball of Hood River, member of the state relief committee, was not a citizen of the United States brought a comment from Ball today that Governor Charles Martin was informed of his status and had assured him it had no bearing on the matter.

The Oregonian said the state relief act does not specifically mention citizenship, but commented that those who "have studied the case at hand have raised the question whether it was the intent of the legislature to have public funds—in this case \$2,500,000 annually—administered by persons not citizens of this country."

Ball, a publisher, David B. Simpson of Portland and Mark Weatherford of Albany were named to the relief committee to succeed Miss Gavin of The Dalles. E. K. Bryson of Eugene and Judd Greenman of Vernonia.

Resignations of the latter three were announced after Governor Martin ruled the committee must keep its expenditures within the funds provided annually from liquor taxes and for a time had declined to sign certificates of indebtedness to supply additional relief funds.

Ball told the Associated Press he had taken out first papers and would request second papers for full citizenship "right away." He took out first papers in 1922, he said, but was forced to refile in October, 1932, due to a "legislative change."

The publisher said he came to the United States from Scotland in 1915, was employed first by a newspaper at Marshfield, and attempted to enlist in the U. S. army for World war service but was rejected for disability. Ball deferred acceptance of appointment to the relief committee until after Governor Martin was informed of his citizenship standing.

SECRETS SOLD TO JAP AGENT, CHARGE MADE

John S. Farnsworth, Once Lieutenant Commander, Pleads Innocent at Arraignment.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—John S. Farnsworth, former lieutenant commander in the United States navy, pleaded innocent today to a charge of communicating confidential naval information to a Japanese agent.

The former naval officer, arrested secretly here last night by navy representatives and J. Edgar Hoover's department of justice agents, was arraigned before United States Commissioner Turnage.

Turnage set bond at \$10,000 which Farnsworth was unable to make immediately. He was taken to the District of Columbia jail.

Preliminary hearing of the charges against Farnsworth was postponed until July 29.

"I want to go to the hospital for a few days," the prisoner told the commissioner. "I'm feeling pretty well shot."

Farnsworth said he had been very ill and was "picked up" when he went to his former wife's home for clean clothing.

Farnsworth, who was discharged from the service nine years ago on charges of conduct prejudicial to the navy, was accused of sending a confidential naval publication to an agent of the Japanese navy May 15, 1935.

Proposal Recited

Farnsworth said he had talked with representatives of some potential government at one time about the possibility of going abroad to organize an aviation corps.

"Of course, large pay was talked about, and I was going to get a commission. I don't know whether it was the Chinese or the Japanese I talked to."

"Where these documents they talked about part of the deal?" a reporter asked.

"All I was trying to do was to get some proof that I was in the

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LEGION CAP SALE BEGINS TOMORROW

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