

THE WEATHER

Humidity 5 p. m. yesterday % 49
Highest temperature yesterday 79
Lowest temperature last night 59
Precipitation for 24 hours—0
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1935 35.18
Excess since Sept. 1, 1935 2.51
Mostly fair, moderate.

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DISSENSEN SPREADS AT TOWNSEND MEET

Editorials
on the
Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE effect of the severe drought in the Middle West is to RAISE PRICES.

Drought, you see, works two ways. It helps (temporarily) the man whose crops are uninjured. It HURTS, terribly, the man whose crops are burned up.

BUT let no one jump to the conclusion that for each measure of evil the drought does it works a corresponding measure of GOOD. That isn't true.

LET'S take the Southern Oregon country as an example.

Grain, hay and potato crops in the Southern Oregon country (as far as may be judged at this season) are uniformly good—better, even, than average, it now appears. Unless some calamity now unforeseen occurs, production of these crops here will be large and because of the drought prices will be good.

So, to a careless thinker, it might seem that we stand to be BENEFITED by the drought instead of injured.

TEMPORARILY, that may be true, but over the long pull it ISN'T true.

The upper Mississippi valley, where the drought is hitting hardest, is an outstandingly good market for Southern Oregon lumber and fruit. If crops back there are good and prices fair, farmers will

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STRICKEN FATHER
WON'T ACCUSE SON

SACRAMENTO, Calif., July 17.—(AP)—A father's interpretation of a heart attack as "God's warning" that he should not prosecute his son left police with little chance today of returning Edward Hopkins, 18, from Ashland, Ore., to face charges of stealing an automobile and \$80.

The father, William H. Hopkins, 53, rancher, swayed and crumpled to the floor in the district attorney's office here when Deputy District Attorney J. J. Francis O'Shea asked him to sign papers calling for his son's extradition.

Weak and reeling after he had been propped in a chair, Hopkins whispered:

"No, I won't sign the papers now. This is God's warning to me to leave the boy alone. I signed the complaint charging him with grand theft, but I know I should not have done it."

O'Shea said nothing could be done to return the boy from Oregon unless the father signed the extradition order. Condition of the elder Hopkins, who was removed to a hospital, was reported critical. The younger Hopkins was taken into custody recently at Ashland.

Murder of Girl Honor Student in
Hotel Room Puzzles Authorities

ASHEVILLE, N. C., July 17.—(AP)—A coroner's jury viewed the mutilated body of 19-year-old Helen Clevenger of New York today and recessed without making any findings as to her death in her hotel room early yesterday.

Sheriff Lawrence E. Brown and his deputies intensified their investigation, but persisted in their refusal to theorize regarding the slaying.

They questioned Prof. W. L. Clevenger of N. C. State college, the girl's uncle, at length as to any of her connections which might have a bearing on the case, but declined to reveal the results. Clevenger found her body about 8:30 a. m. yesterday when he went to her room from his own just around the corner.

Officers, refusing to reveal anything other than general facts which were exposed yesterday a few hours after the New York young woman's body was found shot and stabbed, said "this is the most complicated case to come be-

Hot Wave Still Sears Middle West

DEATH TOLL
NEARS 4,400
ON 14TH DAYCrop Losses Pass Billion
Dollar Mark; Wind and
Hail Damage Area
in Illinois.

CHICAGO, July 17.—(AP)—A withering sun in a cloudless sky glared down on the vast "dew-belt" of the middle west today in continuation of its 14th day heat-drought siege. Loss of human life still mounted. Crop damage, estimated at more than a billion dollars several days ago, increased.

And no general relief was sighted. Weather Forecaster J. R. Lloyd held out some hope for the northern tier of central states, where showers and cooler weather were predicted for tonight.

Marked decrease in the death rate due to heat was recorded as the middle west became accustomed to high temperatures, but the fatality total for the 14 days heat wave neared 4,400.

With each day of drought pyramiding the vast total of corn irreparably damaged, traders in the Chicago market again hoisted July corn contracts at the opening four cents a bushel, to 93 cents. This was up from an equal rise yesterday—the maximum allowed any one day under the trading rules.

Profit taking later reduced the gain, but the market remained buoyant.

Light to medium local showers and cooler weather were forecast for North Dakota, where much of the grain was beyond help, for northern Michigan, extreme northern Wisconsin and the western part of upper Michigan.

Higher temperatures, with the mercury well over the hundred mark, was the dreary prediction for South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, southern Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, northern and central Illinois, Indiana and southern Wisconsin.

Wind, Hail Do Damage
The only bright spot in these states was in southern Illinois, where sudden downpours drenched fields and led Forecaster Lloyd to say that the drought had been broken in that area. Wind and hail which accompanied the storm caused considerable property damage.

Sizzling heat was forecast for Oklahoma, with continued high

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AUTO CRASH FATAL
TO FILM DIRECTOR

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., July 17.—(AP)—Director Alan Crosland, 41, a man who taught the screen to talk, is dead.

Nine years since he paced Al Jolson through the first feature dialogue picture ever made, "The Jazz Singer," Crosland succumbed in Hollywood hospital to injuries received in an automobile crash.

As the end came last night, Natalie Moorehead, the blonde actress who was divorced from Crosland a year ago, and Alan Jr., his son by a first marriage, gathered in the little hospital room.

The body, with the face deeply mutilated by a series of vicious jabs from some sharp instrument and with a bullet hole ranging downward through the left portion of the chest, was at an undertaker's today.

An examining physician who refused to permit use of his name, said an attempt had been made to criminally assault the girl.

The coroner said a pair of scissors could have been used for the repeated stabs in Miss Clevenger's face, but no such instrument was reported located. Nor was the gun found.

Police fixed the time of the slaying about 1 a. m. yesterday.

The body was found in pajamas, the feet crumpled under the girl's back.

Gore Can't Be
Paid Via Suit,
Cordon States

MEDFORD, Ore., July 17.—(AP)—Guy W. Cordon, of Roseburg, attorney for the 18 Oregon-California land grant counties, conferred today with District Attorney George A. Coddington relative to the contesting of the suit of William H. Gore, pioneer and former Medford banker, for \$88,000 for services assertedly rendered in securing the passage by congress in 1926 of the O-C tax refund bill, by which the western Oregon counties have been paid approximately \$10,000,000.

Gore contends the then Jackson county court entered into an agreement to pay him "a reasonable percentage of all monies procured" in event of the passage of the bill. Gore journeyed to Washington, D. C., and labored in behalf of the measure. The agreement contained a "no-lobbying" provision, the Gore complaint says. Attorney Cordon was also active in behalf of the bill.

If there is any legal way whereby the several O-C counties can make a payment to Gore, I am for it," Cordon said, "but I don't for it." Cordon said, "but I don't tainly not by bringing suit."

LONG TERM GIVEN
PAIR AT MEDFORD

MEDFORD, Ore., July 17.—(AP)—John J. Angland, Klamath Falls taxicab driver, was sentenced to serve not less than fifteen years in state prison, and his companion in the assault and robbery of John L. Little, Williams creek district miner and war veteran, Ruth Latourette, was sentenced to serve not less than ten years, by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton this morning.

Both defendants entered pleas of guilty.

Little, the victim, is now in the veterans' hospital at Roseburg suffering from a broken arm and head injuries, suffered in a fierce fight with Angland, on a secluded roadside near Gold Hill. Little was robbed of \$192, part of his bonus bond money.

Letters read by the district attorney indicated that the pair contemplated preying on southern Oregon veterans and others with money, and that Little was the first on the list. A Klamath county potato grower and a Crater Lake park construction worker were also listed.

Little and the Merrill woman "talked of marriage," the district attorney said.

A husband of the Merrill woman, now serving time in state prison for burglary committed in Multnomah county, the district attorney told the court.

SHUTDOWN PERILS
PORTLAND BUILDING

PORTLAND, July 17.—(AP)—Portland construction work, employing 10,000 men, faced a threat to continuous operation today in the form of a shutdown "for an indefinite period" of plants affiliated with the Sand and Gravel Producers' association.

The association issued a statement terming a "teamsters' strike at the Swigert-Hart company un-American" and said the shutdown was designed to "protect the public, employees and industry."

The teamsters' union called a strike at the Swigert-Hart company July 8, complaining the firm paid its drivers below the union scale of \$5.75 a day.

The Sand and Gravel association denied the pay was beneath the scale and said "employees of the company were wholly satisfied."

LOCARNO POWERS
REACH AN ACCORD

PARIS, July 17.—(AP)—Great Britain, France and Belgium have formed an accord, informed sources said, to "exchange views" of the Locarno question, thrust before the signatories by Adolf Hitler's re-occupation of the Rhineland last March.

The object and scope of the parity, these sources declared, are to be announced to ease any suspicions of Hitler and Premier Mussolini which might cause Germany to draw even closer to Italy.

JURY FAILS
TO AGREE IN
MINTO CASEAcquittal of Salem Police
Head Reported Favored
9 to 3 in Gambling
Roundup Trial.

SALEM, July 17.—(AP)—Ralph E. Moody, special prosecutor for the state in the trial against Frank A. Minto, Salem chief of police for the past 14 years, announced today he would try Minto on the second indictment returned by the Marion county grand jury, that of misdemeanor or negligence in office.

Moody announced further that Circuit Judge Earl C. Latourette found it impossible to start the trial next Tuesday, as he had it set following the report the jury had disagreed in the indictment alleging willful failure to enforce the gambling laws last night, and that the case now had been postponed until July 27, immediately following the trial of Sheriff A. C. Burk of Marion county on a charge of allowing prisoners to escape from the county jail.

9-3 for Acquittal
Seven hours deliberation failed to produce a verdict last night in the trial of Minto and Judge Latourette discharged the jury shortly before midnight when the members informed they had "agreed to disagree."

The state, during the past four days, attempted to convict the official on an indictment charging willful failure to enforce the anti-gambling laws. Unofficial reports early today stated the count was 9 to 3 for acquittal.

The case went to the jury at 4:35 yesterday afternoon, and the first indication that the jury was deadlocked was received five hours later when the foreman asked further instructions from the court. Their request was whether the defendant could be convicted on one portion of the indictment and acquitted on another. Latourette informed there could be but one of two verdicts.

Further deliberation failed to bring about the necessary unanimous verdict.

Conviction on that indictment or the second one, which is similar and would involve virtually the same situation and testimony, would subject the police chief to forfeiture of his office and a fine of from \$100 to \$500.

Moody said he had his choice

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CHENOWETH HOME,
OAKLAND, LOOTED

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Chenoweth at Oakland was ransacked and robbed of bedding, clothing and jewelry, during the absence of the owners, the sheriff's office was advised today. Mr. and Mrs. Chenoweth discovered the burglary upon their return from a vacation trip to Winchester Bay. It was learned that a car had been used to carry off a large quantity of loot.

FROM THE HEADLINES

By Deason McMahon

"What Happened to Joe Louis?" It is hard to decide just what is the truth regarding the fall of that famed colored youth. A private detective contends it was "dope" that made the black boy unable to cope with the big German boy, who put him away, in the biggest upset of the sports writer's day.

Joe Louis, himself, the story denies, and says it is all a bundle of lies; perhaps it is true he wasn't as good as the general public had all understood; perhaps there is no one who should be brated for maybe the black boy was a bit over-estimated.

It is easy to see that a real bet man, if he could get Joe to agree to the plan, and know he'd be licked, could have made some real dough, for the odds were greatly in favor of Joe. What real occurred is difficult telling; but, gosh! I wish I'd had money on Schmeling.

BULLET HITS
B. T. BOWLES
IN THE THIGHMysterious Wounding of
Fall Creek Man Under
Inquiry; Threats,
Spying Cited.

A thorough private investigation is being made into the wounding by a rifle bullet, fired from the brush, of Bradford T. Bowles, farmer residing at Fall creek, about 24 miles east of Roseburg, Bowles' attorneys, H. A. Canaday and B. L. Eddy, announced today.

Bowles has been in the hospital here since July 15, suffering from a wound in the thigh. He was discharged today.

The attorneys stated that information that the shooting was other than accidental was withheld pending the results of their investigation.

"There is something queer going on at the Bowles farm," Attorney Canaday said, "and we propose to find out what it is all about."

"People have been seen spying around the place and lurking in the brush. Bowles' life has been threatened. His watchdog was apparently stolen from the place. Wednesday night, a week ago, he was apparently ambushed as he was engaged in chores and was severely wounded," the attorney

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NEW DEAL 'FLAWS'
CITED BY THOMAS

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., July 17.—(AP)—Norman Thomas, socialist candidate for the presidency, said today that President Roosevelt is "unquestionably" more progressive, more alert to the human problems of his time than Mr. Landon, or the men and forces who made the highly synthetic candidate, and can break him.

But, the socialist speaker added, "what I have said of Mr. Roosevelt certainly cannot be said of such of his associates as Vice President Garner, Senator Robinson of Arkansas, or Postmaster General Farley."

Thomas spoke before a round-table session of the Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia.

Though finding the president more "progressive" than his republican opponents, Thomas found certain phases of democratic policy not to his liking.

Among the "flaws" Thomas found in the Roosevelt record as a progressive were:

"The president's failure, as the great leader of his party, to put through such vital measures as the pure food and drugs act, the Wagner housing bill.

"The administration's failure to use housing instead of made work to conquer both unemployment and slums;" and "...the way in which the president and party are dodging the constitutional issue."

Most serious of all, Thomas asserted, "is his silence concerning the flagging, night riding and terrorism for which his own supporters are responsible in Florida, Arkansas and elsewhere."

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PROTEST AGAINST
MILK PRICES ENDS

GRANTS PASS, July 17.—(AP)—A conference of Grants Pass milk dealers and Administrator Paul Adams of the state milk board agreed today that there would be no further protest here over an order increasing price of natural milk from 10 to 12 cents per quart.

A few of the distributors indicated they would skim off cream to reduce content to 4 per cent and sell it for 11 cents. They would also increase cream content in other milk to 5 per cent and sell it at 12 cents. Others planned to sell the same quality milk, averaging about 4 1/2 per cent cream, at 12 cents.

ASSAILANT OF
KING DENIES
PLAN TO KILLMcMahon States He Threw
Gun Away; Prisoner to
Be Given Mental
Examination.

LONDON, July 17.—George Andrew McMahon, whose loaded revolver menaced King Edward yesterday, said today the weapon was not knocked from his hand in the struggle on Constitution hill but that he deliberately threw it into the street near the king as the monarch rode by.

This version was relayed by an authoritative source who said the club-fisted Irishman told police he never had the least intention of shooting the king.

McMahon was taken to a hospital ward for mental observation and medical treatment.

In an effort to get a clear account of the incident, Scotland Yard sent out a call for volunteer witnesses. Scores of spectators responded, streaming in to be interviewed by police officials.

McMahon's fate may lie with the still mysterious "woman in grey" who, witnesses said, knocked the prisoner's revolver from his hand as the king rode before a militia parade yesterday.

It was believed she was able to tell the true story of McMahon's attempt, but the police did not make her name public and they were said to be shielding her from public contacts until the prisoner appears in court next week.

Rumors circulated that the woman is an American.

King Shows No Concern
King Edward, seemingly unconcerned by the apparent attempt on his life, busied himself with the usual affairs of state at York.

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WOMAN CARRIED
TO ELECTRIC CHAIR

OSHSING N. Y., July 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Frances Creighton, electrocuted for the poison egg nog murder of Mrs. Ada Appelgate, was the first person in Sing Sing prison's history ever carried to the electric chair.

Semi-comatose, her head lolling against the back of a wheel chair, Mrs. Creighton was trundled into the death chamber late last night and executed along with Everett C. Appelgate, husband of the slain woman.

Appelgate, in contrast, calmly walked in unassisted two minutes after Mrs. Creighton was pronounced dead. He faced witnesses to protect his innocence, and invoked divine mercy for the district attorney who had prosecuted him.

A special medical commission appointed by Gov. Herbert Lehman to investigate Mrs. Creighton's condition, had reported that hysterical fear had caused her to feign paralysis of her lower limbs and vocal cords.

The condemned man and woman were convicted of having poisoned a "moribund" drink and given it to Appelgate's 28-year-old wife.

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Heads B. P. O. Elks



Governor David Sholtz, above, of Florida pictured as he recently took over the duties of grand exalted ruler of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks at their annual convention held in Los Angeles. Governor Sholtz, in a speech urged business and university men to take more active interest in public affairs and to eliminate "privilege" from all enterprise.

SECONDARY STATUS
FOR ROAD SOUGHT

The Douglas county court was advised today the state highway commission will hold a hearing at Portland Thursday of next week at 3 p. m. on a petition to make the Loran road a secondary state highway.

The Loran road extends from Anlauf in Douglas county, northward to Monroe in Benton county, a distance of approximately 48 miles.

The 42 1/2 mile section in Benton and Lane counties is already on the state secondary highway system, but the Douglas county portion has not yet been adopted by the state.

A petition is now before the commission asking that the road be taken over by the state and improved for its entire length, and the hearing to be held by the commission will determine action to be taken on the request.

The route is that of the former territorial road, but was practically abandoned when the railroad was constructed, roads then being built to parallel the railroad lines. In recent years improvements have been made to the old road, and the Lane and Benton county sections are in fairly good condition. The Douglas county court is now making improvements from the county line to Anlauf and the road is reported to be carrying considerable travel.

The route shortens the distance between Anlauf and Monroe from 7 to 8 miles as compared with the present Pacific highway route.

DUGOUT OPENING
SET FOR SATURDAY

The first of a group of Dugouts for the forthcoming state convention of the American Legion, is to be opened Saturday night in the basement at Carl's Tavern. The dugout is to be used as a meeting place for veterans prior to the convention period and will provide entertainment afterwards and evenings. Proceeds will go to the convention commission to assist in defraying expenses preliminary to the state meeting.

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GOMER SMITH
RESIGNS AFTER
BITTER TALKS

Arbuckle Proclaims Ban On
Any Party Endorsement;
Landon, F. R. Reject
Bids to Speak.

CLEVELAND, July 17.—(AP)—Evidence of dissension among leaders of the Townsend old age pension movement became evident today with a statement by Dr. Francis E. Townsend that "I do not consider Gomer Smith any longer a member of our organization."

Gomer Smith, an Oklahoman, has been a national vice-president of the Townsend movement.

In Oklahoma City today J. F. Nighawander, district Townsend leader in that state, said that if Smith is removed, "We'll just secede and form an Oklahoma Townsend club of our own."

Frank Arbuckle, permanent chairman of the convention, announced to cheering delegates that any motion or resolution having to do with endorsement of a national political party "shall be out of order at all times during this convention."

Arbuckle added that his decision represented the unanimous view of the Townsend board of directors.

Arbuckle's ruling was similar to a resolution adopted yesterday declaring the convention to be non-partisan. The same resolution invited the presidential candidates of the democratic, republican and socialist party to speak before the delegates.

Landon, F. R. Decline.

A message from the republican candidate, Alf M. Landon of Kansas, was read to the convention saying that while he appreciated the invitation it would be "impossible for me to accept any address of this kind until after my acceptance of the nomination."

President Roosevelt also sent a message saying he would be unable to appear. The answer signed

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ILLINOIS CLAIMED
BY G. O. P. CHIEFS

TOPEKA, Kans., July 17.—(AP)—John R. McCall, former comptroller general who favors "putting the brakes" on federal spending, arrived today for a conference with Gov. M. M. Landon.

Landon was host to Wayland Brooks, republican candidate for governor in Illinois, and George F. Harding, Illinois national committeeman.

"We came at the invitation of Governor Landon," Brooks said. "I am going to report since the Cleveland convention the flock of Landon and Knox has caught the imagination of the people of Illinois like nothing I've ever seen before."

"Republicans are returning to the party and a great many democrats are attending our meetings. I think we're going to carry Illinois."

"That's conceded," Harding put in.

Brooks attributed the "Landon trend" to confusion in the minds of the people over where the new deal is taking them.

Before reaching Topeka, McCall said in Kansas City that "we simply can't keep taking" this spending in millions and billions. "Unless halted," he said, of federal spending, "we are headed for repudiation or inflation."

PORTLAND, July 17.—(AP)—Cascara prices, emulating the spurt of the potato market some weeks ago, went to the highest point today in many years.

Prices to peelers reached 6 1/2 cents a pound, compared to 2 1/2 to 4 1/2 cents paid in 1935, 4 cents in 1934, 3 cents in 1933 and 1 to 2 1/2 cents in 1932. The highest price in 1923 was 5 1/2 cents.

Harold G. Russell, a leading dealer here, said there is at least two months steady work ahead for unemployed persons if the demand for the bark, which is used for medicinal purposes, is filled.