

THE WEATHER

Humidity 5 p. m. yesterday 72
Highest temperature yesterday 82
Lowest temperature last night 49
Precipitation for 24 hours 0
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1935 35.18
Excess since Sept. 1, 1935 2.20
Mostly fair; little change.

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COUNTER ATTACK CHECKS REBELS AT IRUN

DEATH ENDS CAREER OF WAR SECRETARY GEO. H. DERN

Cabinet Member Stricken By Death



A long battle with illness ended today in the death of George H. Dern, cabinet member of war in the Roosevelt cabinet. Although he rose to the cabinet from civilian activities, Dern, who was 64, was a strong advocate of a larger and more efficient army, and success attended his efforts to launch a program for such purpose.

GOVERNMENT ALSO CLAIMS OVIEDO TAKEN

Another Report Says Army Under Mola Fights Way Three Miles Nearer to Madrid.

HENDAYE, France, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Government military men checked a fascist rebel advance today on Irun and asserted they were victorious in the second day of furious fighting on the northern front. Opposing armies were deadlocked without important changes in positions, but the rebels were halted far short of their objective which they had sought before being met with the government counter-attack. Leaders of the government forces said rebels suffered "important" losses, leaving more than 200 dead on the field of battle while the militiamen counted only two dead and six wounded. Victory at Oviedo also was announced by the government with the reported capture of a prison, a strategic point dominating much of the city, and a railroad station which had been held by rebels. The fighting generally degenerated into guerrilla warfare, depleted militiamen, however, declared failure of the current rebel offensive against Irun might be the decisive factor in the war on the northern front.

Rebels Nearer Madrid From Burgos by courier here came a report that Gen. Mola's rebel troops drove their lines three miles closer to Madrid after five days of bloody fighting. The troops, aided by artillery and planes, captured important positions on Cerro Negro, dominating the Lozoya valley about 40 miles from the capital.

FLOOD CONTROL TO BE DISCUSSED HERE

A hearing in Roseburg to consider flood control problems in this vicinity will be held in the near future, according to a bulletin released by the war department yesterday.

"Section 6 of the flood control act approved June 22, 1936, provides for preliminary examination and surveys of a number of streams with a view to control of their floods," states the bulletin. "Among the streams listed for report is 'Umpqua river and tributaries, Oregon.'"

According to the bulletin, "all parties interested in flood control on the Umpqua river and its tributaries are invited to be present or to be represented at the above time and place, and particularly the officials of any county, city, town or local association whose interests may be affected by the desired improvement. They will be given an opportunity to express their views with reference to flood control. Local interests should be prepared to state fully the character, amount and frequency of the flood losses which they have sustained and to state the extent of the improvement desired to alleviate or eliminate these losses."

FARMERS URGED TO JOIN FEDERATION

Benefits Cited by Speaker From California in His Roseburg Address.

A strong appeal to Oregon farmers and ranchers to affiliate with the American Farm Bureau federation, now represented in 38 states and 1,800 counties by that many formally organized units, and nationally acknowledged to be the most influential farm organization in the United States, was made today by R. W. Blackburn, president of the California farm bureau federation and member of the board of directors of the national federation, in a meeting held here in the city hall yesterday afternoon. The meeting was one of a series preliminary to the organization of county farm bureaus in Oregon.

"It is universally acknowledged," he said, "that the American Farm Bureau Federation has succeeded in placing more legislation on the federal statutes favorable to American agriculture than any other farm organization or groups of organizations. Particularly is this true for the past three years. In fact, the nation has been a beneficiary of its efforts."

FERNVALE LOGGER SERIOUSLY INJURED

GLENDALE, Ore., Aug. 27.—(Special)—Ralph "Red" Kirkland is in a serious condition in a Grants Pass hospital after being injured while at work in the woods near Fernvale Wednesday afternoon. Kirkland was struck on the head by a limb while riding a caterpillar tractor and it is feared that his skull may be fractured. He was taken to the hospital in an unconscious condition. Kirkland is an employee of the firm of Colchesser and Seames, logging contractors.

Blockade Void Without Power to Enforce It, U. S. Notifies Spain

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Insisting upon freedom of the seas for American shipping, the United States today notified the Spanish government that it would not have merchant vessels from Spain-controlled ports unless it can apply an effective blockade.

In a formal note dispatched to Madrid last night, Secretary Hull served notice that the mere action of the Spanish government in declaring coastal territory held by rebels as a "war zone" was not sufficient under international law. To make such a "no admittance" sign binding, the secretary of state said in effect, the Spanish government must demonstrate its ability to enforce it.

"The United States, with the friendliest feelings toward the Spanish government, cannot admit the legality of any action on the part of the Spanish government in declaring such ports closed unless that government declares and maintains an effective blockade of such ports," the American note said.

PRESIDENT IN DROUGHT AREA TO EYE NEEDS

Economy of Region Should Be Changed, Population Must Remain, View of Roosevelt.

BISMARCK, N. D., Aug. 27.—(AP)—President Roosevelt arrived in Bismarck today for his first official stop in a 3,500-mile "first hand" inspection tour of the great western "dust bowl," which probably will be interrupted as a result of the death of Secretary of War Dern.

Marvin H. McIntyre, presidential secretary, said because of the importance of the drought trip it would be continued for a day or two as scheduled, but if the funeral were held in Dern's home state of Utah the president would attend.

The remainder of the trip necessarily would be delayed, including the Des Moines conference with Gov. Landon of Kansas and four other governors. Some of the other scheduled governor conferences might have to be omitted or consolidated, he said.

Roosevelt hopes conferences with federal and state officials and his own drought committee, would point the way to the shift in the northwest's economy he feels is essential to bulwark this region against future calamities of nature.

In denying at the start of the current dry spell that his administration would seek to depopulate areas hardest hit by recurring droughts, the president said the whole economy of this region must be changed, but with present populations kept where they are to carry on under the transformation.

Secretary Wallace, accompanying the president, agreed with him in at least one respect—that a much of the land turned into crop-damaging dust in recent weeks would be better adapted to pasture and feed crops for cattle raising.

U. S. NAVY OFFICER COURT MARTIALED

DOUGLAS SEEKING MORE ROAD FUNDS

A. C. Marsters, W. C. Harding and H. S. Nichols left for Portland this morning to attend a meeting of the state highway commission. It was announced.

POLICEMAN REED TO BE TRANSFERRED

A change in the personnel of the local office of the Oregon state police will take place September 1, according to Corporal Paul Parsons, head of the office here. Eugene Reed, state police officer now on duty here, will be transferred to Grants Pass, and A. Mitrovich, now at Klamath Falls, will be transferred here to replace him.

AMERICAN BAR ASSN. SPLITS ON NEW DEAL

Committee Majority Says Constitutional Rights Ignored; Minority Decries Report.

BOSTON, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Members of the American Bar association's special committee to study legislation affecting the rights of citizens split sharply today over their report on the policies of the Roosevelt administration.

In a report prepared for consideration by the association's annual convention as a whole, four majority members declared, "there is no indication that the (Roosevelt) administration recognizes any obligations whatever to protect the individual citizen in his constitutional rights."

The minority members, however, recommended that the committee be discharged on the ground that they believe further consideration served "no useful purpose in giving citizens any helpful light on constitutional questions in addition to that already supplied by the opinions of the supreme court."

The minority asserted that because this was a presidential election year, further consideration would "result in expediting the American bar association, whether willingly or not, in bitter partisan political discussion, and internal dissensions."

SECRETARY HULL BANS BRITISH 'RED'

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Secretary Hull today declined to reconsider the state department's action in declining to permit William Gallagher, communist member of the British parliament, to enter this country because of his political beliefs.

Answering a protest by the American Civil Liberties union, the secretary said Gallagher was well known as a member of the executive committee of the communist international and that "his position in the international communist revolutionary movement brings him within the excluding provisions" of the immigration law.

The Civil Liberties Union had asserted that Gallagher, now traveling in Canada, wished to come to the United States only to visit his sisters in Chicago.

4-H CLUB FAIR OF LANE COUNTY OPENS

EUGENE, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Lane county's annual 4-H club fair got under way today with approximately 2500 young farmers and homemakers registered to exhibit and give demonstrations in the event.

Whole Tax Structure Needs Overhauling, Republican Nominee Declares in Buffalo Address.

ABOARD LONDON TRAIN EN ROUTE TO TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 27.—(AP)—Gov. Alf M. Landon left behind him a charge of "wasteful" new deal spending and "cockeyed" tax legislation as he rode through Illinois today on a schedule of 10 rear platform appearances and a visit to Abraham Lincoln's tomb.

The republican nominee was speeding toward Topeka on the return leg of his first presidential campaign invasion of the east.

In the last of three addresses, he told a Buffalo, N. Y., audience that American youth faced "a herculean task of debt and mortgages" through new deal expenditures. Landon demanded the immediate repeal of the law taxing corporations according to amounts of income withheld from distribution. This legislation the Kansas described as "cockeyed." He said the entire tax structure, federal and state, needed overhauling.

"The sponsors of this tax law have thought it was a smart way to appear to 'soak the rich,'" Landon said. "Actually it has no relation to 'soaking the rich.'"

"What it does is protect the big fellow who still has a reserve and a little fellow around the neck of the little fellow."

"This is the most cockeyed piece of tax legislation ever imposed in a modern country, and if I am elected I shall recommend the immediate repeal of this vicious method of taxation."

"We are living in a fool's paradise far beyond our income," Landon told his Buffalo audience. Landon said that "hidden taxes" which he described as taxes on "such things as food, clothing, gasoline and cigarettes," now supply 31 cents of every dollar collected by the federal government as compared with 41 cents in 1922.

"In other words," he said, "the share of the cost of government falling mainly on those with incomes of \$25 a week or less has increased 25 per cent during the three years of the present administration."

BOY FEARED DEAD IN SIUSLAW RIVER

EUGENE, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Coast guardsmen continued to drag the Siuslaw river today seeking the body of 7-year-old Billie Harrington, feared drowned in the river late Tuesday.

The boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Harrington, was found missing after he failed to appear at his home following a swim.

FROM HEADLINES

By Deacon Richmond

"Warden to Whip Prison Plotters" The paper says that Roy Best, the warden of a prison, has turned in for a good night's rest, so that when he has risen, he'll have his manly strength renewed, and have the proper spirit to flog the men that he's subdued, according to their merit.

We know that prison inmates will have some plots and schemes to freedom of their dreams, and drastic means must be employed to check a prison break; yet some of us are quite annoyed by the means that wardens take. This warden seems to be the judge, executioner and jury, and there is danger that some grudge will add fuel to his fury. The story seems to indicate that the warden will get pleasure, in meeting this awful fate, in good and ample measure.

Knox To Address Clubs of Oregon

CORVALLIS, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Republican leaders here announced that Oregon State college had granted permission for the use of Bell field the night of September 17 when Colonel Frank Knox will speak here.

The G. O. P. vice-presidential candidate's address will be the closing feature of the two-day state convention of republican clubs.

LEMKE WILL GO ON OREGON BALLOT

HILLSBORO, Ore., Aug. 27.—(AP)—Congressman William Lemke, presidential candidate of the union party, will be on the Oregon ballot this November.

He was nominated as an independent by a convention here last night attended by 400 persons, 150 more than required by law. Thomas C. O'Brien, union party vice-presidential nominee, was named as his running mate.

An attempt had been made earlier legally to organize the union party in Oregon which would have required signatures of 14,000 registered voters.

The convention nominated as presidential electors, Frank Sautfeldt and Joseph A. Schomms of Marion county, Mrs. Frank C. Plukes of Washington county, Ebram Ray of Polk county and G. W. Thieson of Clackamas county.

Albert Straiff, Portland, was named candidate for United States senator upon nomination by Senator Peter Zimmerman, generally regarded as the leader of the Lemke forces in Oregon.

AUTO BLOW KILLS W. C. T. U. MATRON

CORVALLIS, Ore., Aug. 27.—(AP)—Mrs. Clark P. Terwilliger, a cottage matron at the W. C. T. U. home three miles east of here, was instantly killed last night when struck by a car.

Mrs. Terwilliger, believed to be about 60, was hit when she stepped from behind a bus from which she had just alighted. The accident occurred in front of the home on the Albany-Corvallis highway.

Vern J. Peek, Salem, identified by police as driver of the car, was not held and it was not known whether or not there would be an inquest.

SEVEN DEVILS FIRE DRAWS MORE MEN

SALEM, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Thirty more men were sent into the Seven Devils section of Coos county last night to fight a forest fire which has been raging there for several days.

State Forester Ferguson said the fire got out of bounds late yesterday with the result that additional men were requested.

Knox Hits "Shadow Boxing" of Roosevelt; Landon Lashes Out At "Cockeyed" Tax Legislation

President Fought "Straw Man" in His Acceptance Speech, Assertion of Chicagoan.

HAMPTON, BEACH, N. H., Aug. 27.—(AP)—Col. Frank Knox, republican vice-presidential nominee, today charged President Roosevelt with "shadow-boxing" in the president's attack on "economic royalists."

Knox devoted a speech prepared for delivery at the Rockingham County Republican club's annual outing to reply to the president's acceptance address in Philadelphia.

Asking "who are these economic royalists?" Knox called them "imaginary," and said that the president, in the acceptance address, "walloped a straw man" while ignoring "money, credit, budgets, agriculture, industry, trade, labor, relief and recovery."

"With millions of people on relief," Knox said, "he offers to go out and slaughter a big bad wolf if he can only find the wolf."

Knox asserted that the administration's major policies are "in ruins" and its future plans "an absolute blank."

"That is why I have emphasized this business of economic royalists," he said.

Time for New Reformer

"When the responsible head of our government offers, as the cure for grave national ills, to go out and save the people from non-existent and unidentified elements of the economic imagination, the carelessness and the inadequacy of our government are exposed."

"When we have that sort of shadow-boxing with serious purpose, it is about time to try a new performance."

Knox commenting on the president's phrase about the rise of an industrial "new despotism" asserted new deal legislation better merited the charges made against the "royalists."

Knox charged the new deal had "shackled industry," put initiative "in the hands of a few," and "killed the initiative of the people."

MAN INJURED AS HE UNLOADS BARREL

HADLEY I. Colison has been admitted to Mercy hospital to receive treatment for a badly injured shoulder, chest and side, which he suffered Tuesday evening at the county barn, when he was struck by a barrel weighing over 600 pounds. The accident occurred while Mr. Colison was unloading the barrels from a truck. Dr. C. R. Wade is the attending physician. Mr. Colison's condition this morning was reported improved.

Former Governor of Utah, Although From Civilian Life, Favored Bigger Military Force.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—(AP)—George Henry Dern, secretary of war in the Roosevelt cabinet, died in Walter Reed hospital here today from heart and other complications resulting from past influenza attacks. He was 64 years old.

Harry H. Woodring, assistant secretary, will assume the duties of acting secretary pending an appointment by President Roosevelt.

Plans for the funeral of Secretary Dern were not immediately announced. It was indicated his body would be taken to Utah, where only four years ago he occupied the governor's chair, since the law specifies that only men who served in the military forces can be buried in Arlington national cemetery here.

Army Modernized

George Henry Dern, who left the governor's chair in Utah to become secretary of war, brought to the Roosevelt cabinet an advocacy of preparedness for national defense although he declared himself "no militarist."

By backing up Generals Douglas MacArthur and Malin Craig, his successive chiefs of staff, in their plans to reorganize, expand and modernize the army.

MISSING GLENDALE GIRL OF 12 FOUND

GLENDALE, Ore., Aug. 27.—(Special)—Marjorie Hamilton, 12, ward of the Douglas county court, who was placed in the home of her great aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, here, disappeared from her home Tuesday and was stopped and detained by authorities in Klamath Falls, according to word received here. She has lived in Glendale for the past two years.

After it was discovered that the girl had disappeared, investigation showed she had purchased a ticket to Klamath Falls and had boarded a train Tuesday morning. Deputy Sheriff George Olmehouse immediately notified Klamath Falls and officers took charge of the girl when she alighted from the train.

It is thought, according to reports, that Marjorie was making her way to the home of her married sister in Lakeview.

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FOR years the East (including, of course, the Middle West) has fought Western reclamation. Back there, they believe that increasing production on the reclaimed and irrigated rich lands of the West provides too much competition for their own products.

So, human nature being as it is, they oppose Western reclamation and irrigation.

THIS year's serious drought, following the almost equally severe drought of 1934, ought to bring to the East and the Midwest some realization of the broad national value of Western reclamation. But for the reclaimed and irrigated lands of the West, the effects of the drought on the country as a whole would be much more severe.

TWO droughts in close succession, coupled with the AAA policy of planned scarcity, have exhausted accumulated surpluses and left the country relatively bare of essential foods and feeds.

We are not facing famine, of course, for in these modern days of

swift and comparatively cheap transportation there is no such thing as famine for any nation possessing wealth enough to buy what it needs. Food shortages in one country are overcome by imports from other countries.

But we are definitely facing the fact that the United States, one of the world's greatest food-producing countries, must IMPORT foods heavily this year.

THE effect of these necessary imports will be to REDUCE the wealth of the United States and INCREASE the wealth of the countries from which we must buy.

HERE is the point, so far as broad national policy is concerned:

The heavy production of the reclaimed and irrigated lands of the West, uninterrupted by drought, has added to the nation's TOTAL crop production and so has reduced the amount of importation necessary. The production of these rich and

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