

THE WEATHER
Humidity 5 p. m. yesterday 35%
Highest temperature yesterday 87
Lowest temperature last night 64
Precipitation for 24 hours 0
Precip. since first of month 0
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1936 23.29
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1936 4.79
Partly cloudy.

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BONNEVILLE DAM
Appointment of an administrator is the big Oregon issue right now. Oregon leaders are split over a Seattle man, said slated for appointment. Watch for the outcome in NEWS-REVIEW news dispatches.

STRIKE GRIPS EASTERN SILK FACTORIES

Editorials
On the Day's News

EVERY effort ought to be made to get to the bottom of this story (which so far is vague and indefinite) about the disappearance of W. E. Steffen, secretary of the restaurant employees' union at Grants Pass.

THERE are ugly intimations that Steffen was kidnaped by Grants Pass business men and run out of town and told that it wouldn't be safe for him to come back. The whole tale, as these words are written, is sadly lacking in corroborative detail, but the implication is that Steffen was unloading the restaurant workers and that employers didn't like it and resorted to direct action.

IN THE relations between employers and employees there is no place for violence or for disregard of law if we tolerate these things we are heading straight for trouble, and the trouble will AFFECT EVERYBODY.

THIS Grants Pass episode, whatever it really is, has disturbed

WPA TRUCK POLICY
HOLDS, F. D. R. SAYS

SALEM, Aug. 9.—(AP)—President Roosevelt telegraphed Governor Martin today that the WPA would not change its new rule opening contracts on WPA truck operations. The governor protested that owners-operators on contract would lose their work to contractors and farmers. The rule was effective August 1.

"The acting works progress administrator informs me that this procedure was put into effect only after the most careful study and consideration, and that it was necessary in the interest of economy, efficiency and fairness," the president wrote.

PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—(AP)—The Oregon truckmen's association had filed protests today against 20 of the 49 truck owner-operators submitting bids for WPA contracts. W. G. Parkers, secretary for the relief trucking group, said they owned more than one vehicle and called attention to government regulations limiting equipment. The relief owners refused to bid.

Oddities Flashed From Press Wire

Money Talks
(Hy the Associated Press)
HIGH POINT, N. C.—She was a comely young woman, arrested for drunkenness. But, oh what a hangover. In fact, she couldn't talk.

Smart Porker
SCOTTSDALE, Neb.—H. D. Heinz, farmer near here, is looking for a hog with horse sense. Heinz purchased the porker laid out his hot water tools and heated a tank of hot water. Then he went for the hog.

Jinx Party
MACON, Ga.—Superstition will be "double-dared" by Berna Arlette Smith.

Stocking Up
ARAPAHOE, Neb.—The chain letter had been revived by housewives here but its mechanism isn't exactly the same as it used to be.

Blytheville, Ark.—Fam-tall pen-cakes are baseball fans here—and they know the game.

Utahly the ball park's pet birds

Pinball Machine Ban Hits Douglas

DEADLY ON REMOVAL SET AT AUG. 14TH

Operation of Devices Held Unlawful by Dist. Atty. Long; City Licenses Regarded Void. A ban on pinball ownership and operation in Douglas county, effective immediately, was announced today by District Attorney J. V. Long. All persons in possession of or operating pinball or marble games are instructed in an official announcement by the district attorney today, to "immediately cease operating the machines and devices and to remove them from places of business, on or before midnight, Aug. 14."

Previous action against pinball machines, the district attorney said, has been delayed pending decisions on injunctions filed in other counties. As injunction suits have been dismissed, it has been deemed to issue orders against the games in Douglas county, Long said.

The official statement, issued this morning, is as follows: "The Oregon criminal statute provides, with reference to gambling, playing at or conducting certain games, in part as follows: 'Each and every person who shall deal, play or carry on, open or cause to be opened, or who shall conduct either as owner, proprietor, or employee, whether for hire or not, any game of faro, or any banking or any other game played with cards, dice, or any other device, whether the same be played for money, check, credits, or any other representative of value, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor...'

For conviction, the statute provides that the defendant shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, and shall be imprisoned in the county jail until the fine and costs are paid.

The law further provides that any person or persons who shall conduct, maintain, or operate, either as owner or owners, proprietor, lessee, employee, or agent, or who shall play or use any device-in-the-slot machine or other device of like character wherein there enters any element of chance, whether the same be played for money, checks, credits, or for any other representative of value, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor..."

MARTIN, MAHONEY BOOSTED BY DEMOS

SALEM, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Democratic speakers advanced the names of William Mahoney of Klamath Falls as a candidate for United States senator and Governor Charles H. Martin for reelection before a crowd of about 2,000 persons who attended the Marion county democratic picnic at Silver Creek falls yesterday.

Warren Erwin of Portland urged the nomination of Mahoney to succeed Senator Frederick Steiwer, while George McLeod, Salem, urged the reelection of the governor.

ASTORIA PRISONER FACES CHARGE HERE

John B. Ward, employed here recently as a painter, was arrested Saturday night at Astoria on a complaint filed here charging him with obtaining money by false pretenses. Deputy Sheriff Cliff Thornhill left this morning to return Ward to this city. The complainant was filed by Ray J. Freeman, who alleged that he received a worthless check from Ward in the sum of \$10. Several other bad checks have been reported passed by Ward in Roseburg and vicinity, Sheriff Percy Webb said.

OPERATIC NOTABLE DIES AT MEDFORD

MEDFORD, Aug. 9.—(AP)—James Stevens, 63, operative completely, died here late yesterday following a two months' illness. He was in ill-health for 20 years. At the height of his career Stevens was identified with the St. Louis Municipal Opera company and Schubert brothers theatrical enterprises. He was founder of the Medford Gleemen, and a similar organization at Klamath Falls.

Standards For Oregon's Dried Prunes Adopted

SALEM, Aug. 9.—(AP)—The state department of agriculture adopted today standards for Oregon dried prunes, the order following a hearing here last month. The 1937 legislature authorized the standards.

Oregon No. 1 dried prunes are those of one variety which are mature, well-colored, properly cooled, properly dried, free from mold, decay, insect injury, disease and serious damage from any cause.

Oregon No. 2 dried prunes are those of one variety fairly well-matured, fairly well-colored, properly cooled and dried, free from mold, decay, insect injury, disease and serious damage from any cause. Unclassified prunes are those which do not conform with either of the two classes.

OREGON TRAGEDIES CLAIM FIVE LIVES

Hiker Plunges Over Falls, Four Others Victims of Traffic Mishaps.

(By the Associated Press)
A spectacular plunge from high Horsetail falls on the Columbia river highway battered life from the body of Howard Murray, 25-year-old Hood River hiker and one of the five persons to die in Oregon's week-end tragedies.

Joseph L. Kireh, 23, Seattle musician, and Arabelle Palmer, 21, of Vancouver, Wash., met death last night in a crash on the Denver avenue hill near the interstate bridge.

A pig farm driver killed Gust Wick, 56, of the Multnomah county fair farm Saturday night. Coast Bay police held two young men in connection with the hitting death of John P. Phillips, 79, Saturday.

EX-CON CONFESSES MURDER OF CHILD

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—(AP)—A 49-year-old married hospital orderly who has spent more than a third of his life in prison was charged with murder today as the straggler of Paula Magagna, 8, fourth Brooklyn child in as many years to die at the hands of an attacker.

The ex-convict, Lawrence Marks, released from Great Meadows prison two months ago, broke after police shattered 15 separate grillings he gave during a 12-hour grilling. He confessed to choking the girl to death with a cord and mutilating her body in the basement of her tenement home July 31, Assistant District Attorney Esch said.

SPUD HILL FOREST FIRE UNDER CONTROL

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 9.—(AP)—K. P. Cecil, supervisor of the Columbia national forest, said today the fire battle of Spud Hill was won.

The 2,464 fire fighters completely circled the two fires which burned over an estimated 1100 to 1200 acres of timber, Cecil reported. The process of making the "hot spots" safe was being completed.

Drifting fogs and cloudy weather added the men in conquering the stubborn blaze after 12 days of burning. Only a skeleton crew was kept on duty to patrol in the event an east wind should arise.

Roosevelt's Hand Seen in Mayor Fight

Reported Support of N. Y. City Rival of Copeland Evokes Charge of Dictatorship.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Senator Copeland, (R., N. Y.), commenting today on a press report that President Roosevelt had injected himself into the New York mayoralty campaign, said "at least we have in the United States political dictatorship."

Aroused by published reports that the president had thrown "tacit support" to his democratic rival for the New York mayoralty post, Copeland asserted in a statement to newspapermen that "this president himself does more in five minutes to destroy democratic harmony than can be re-established in a generation by Jefferson Island pickets and peace dinners."

Copeland added if press reports that the president had thrown "tacit support" to Joseph L. Mahoney, former New York supreme court justice, were correct "his interference is gratuitous and un-American."

"Franklin D. Roosevelt is not a water in New York City," the New York senator, who is running for mayor, asserted. "We are not interested in what his private views may be. But why should President Roosevelt attempt to dictate to the democrats of my city what they should do?"

LaGuardia
Talking informally to newspapermen, Copeland asserted the president was actually for reelection of Mayor LaGuardia. He said LaGuardia was the candidate of the communists, the socialists, the radicals, and labor, and "it's the same group that is back of the president."

"The president," he added, "won't go to do anything to hurt LaGuardia. If the white house felt I would be a weak candidate against LaGuardia, it would support me."

SPANISH REBELS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE

(By the Associated Press)
Spain's insurgent northern army launched its "final offensive" today against the provinces of Asturias and Santander, last government strongholds in northwest Spain.

The plant is on the Skipanon river between the Front, Lumber mill and the Young's Bay Lumber mill. Rain had night and a heavy mist today prevented the fire from spreading.

The plant was operating at the peak of the season with two months to go on this year's output. It operated between three and seven plucked boats and worked two 12-man crews.

CAESARIAN INFANT FAILS TO SURVIVE

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Donnick Boccassini, stunted by tragedy, prepared today to bury his dead — his wife and the tiny daughter, medical science was unable to save.

MRS. LEAH BARRETT OF RICE CREEK DIES

Mrs. Leah Barrett, 57, died at the home of her daughter on Rice creek this morning after a short illness. She was born July 7, 1859, at Franklin, Pa., and was married November 23, 1875, to Henry M. Barrett, who passed away several years ago. At the age of 26 years she became a member of the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Barrett has been a resident of Rice creek since 1859. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Orpha Smith, Rice creek, and several grandchildren. The body has been removed to the Douglas Funeral home and services will be announced later.

TAXI DRIVERS HELD AS LIQUOR SELLERS

PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Liquor control commission investigators arrested nearly a score of Portland taxi drivers on charges of selling 60-cent liquor for \$3 to each and the two paid fines of \$35. The other two demanded jury trials.

BONNEVILLE BILL PASSED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—The senate approved today a bill setting up administrative machinery for the \$75,000,000 Bonneville power and navigation project on the Columbia river.

The bill goes back to the house for concurrence in amendments. Senator Pittman (D., Nev.) averred an expected controversy by announcing he would not submit a rider to authorize a study of Boulder dam power rates.

The bill provides: 1. A 10,000-year power administrator to be appointed by the interior secretary.

2. War department supervision of the dam, powerhouse, shiplocks and fishways.

3. Uniform rates of rates uniform over prescribed areas.

4. Reservation until 1941 of 50 per cent of the power for public bodies and cooperatives.

5. A \$500,000,000 continuing fund to start operation and distribution of power.

FORMER ROSEBURG RESIDENT KILLED

John P. Phillips Dies at North Bend After Blow From Automobile.

John P. Phillips, 79, former Roseburg resident, died at North Bend Saturday night from injuries suffered when he was struck by a hit-and-run driver, according to word received by relatives here.

Witnesses of the accident reported that Phillips was struck by a light sedan, which sped away after knocking him to the pavement. Phillips was taken to a hospital, but was dead by the time he arrived there.

FISH PACKERY NEAR ASTORIA BURNED

ASTORIA, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Fire destroyed the Pacific Marine Products corporation plant early today at a loss estimated between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

The blaze started in a dryer and spread to thousands of gallons of pilchard oil stored in 33 huge tanks. The oil-fed flames completed their destruction in half an hour.

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60,000 GET "QUIT" ORDER FROM C. I. O.

Union Contracts, Improved Labor Conditions Asked; Plymouth Strike Is Ended by Pact.

PATERSON, N. J., Aug. 9.—(AP)—60,000 C. I. O. strikers call to 60,000 silk workers in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New England and New York caused thousands of men and women to leave their looms today in an announced effort to secure union contracts, improved labor conditions and stabilize the industry.

The only disorder reported was at Hazleton, Pa., where a picket at the large Duplan silk corporation mill was struck in the arm. His alleged assailant was arrested after being almost mobbed by a crowd.

Earlier, four sheriff's deputies were sent from Wilkes-Barre to aid nine city policemen. The Duplan management said pickets, some of whom were recruited from the ranks of anthracite mine workers, jammed so tightly about the gates that some of the 1100 workers who pushed through the lines emerged with torn clothing.

Representatives of the union and employers disagreed as to the extent of the strike in Pennsylvania, where more than 40,000 normally work in the silk and rayon industry, but New Jersey spokesmen for both sides agreed the walkout was "successful."

TWOC leaders in Astoria said 95 per cent of the 10,000 New York silk workers would remain at work under contracts already signed.

A spokesman for the Silk and Rayon Manufacturers association, a new organization of the larger mills, said the association, which has given passive approval of the strike, was waiting to see "the actual strength of the union."

MERGER INCREASES GLENDALE SCHOOLS

GLENDALE, Ore., Aug. 9.—Consolidation of school district No. 61 with Glendale district No. 77 was voted almost unanimously at a special election Saturday. Only two votes, both in district 64, were cast in opposition to the proposed merger which will bring 17 students into the Glendale grade school and eight students to the high school. District 64 includes the territory to the summit of Canyon creek pass and eight to the Johns ranch, taking in all of the Johns creek section.

Authority was given by voters for the purchase by the consolidated district of a new school bus to be delivered through W. D. Meissner of the Glendale garage.

Gibson's Arrest at Loon Lake Said to Have Cleared Up 22 Bank Thefts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Justice department officials said today the recent arrest of Ralph Gibson, 31, at Loon Lake, Douglas county, Oregon, had cleared up 22 bank robberies, three attempted bank robberies and the hold-up of an Ohio Auto Finance company.

Gibson, alleged leader of the notorious Gibson gang, and Violet Bruce, a girl companion were arrested July 20 by a federal agent and state and county officers at Loon Lake. Gibson has been ordered moved to St. Paul, Minn., to answer indictments linking him with robberies of the State Bank of Cold Spring and the Farmers State bank of Kyoto, Minn.

Director J. Edgar Hoover of the federal bureau of investigation said Gibson had confessed robberies totaling \$87,000.

He also had been sought in connection with the slaying of James Zrostlik, killed when members of the Gibson gang commanders at a bank robbery at Conantville, Pa. Hoover said Gibson told federal agents he "could not recall" all of the banks his gang had robbed nor the exact amount of loot, but the director said he admitted participation in robberies of the Farmers National bank at Conantville, November 1, 1925; the State Bank of Cold Spring, Minn., June 5, 1926; the Farmers State bank of Kyoto, Minn., November 16, 1926; the Carpenter Savings bank, Carpenter, Iowa, August 17, 1926; the Farmers State bank at Merrill, Iowa, June 3, 1926; and two robberies in Ohio. Gibson estimated his total loot at \$67,000, exclusive of \$20,000 in non-negotiable securities taken from the Carpenter Savings bank.