

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 16%
Highest temperature yesterday 94
Lowest temperature last night 69
Precipitation for 24 hours .05
Precip. since first of month .05
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1937 .40.80
Excess since Sept. 1, 1937 .8.27
Clear.

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CORRIGAN FLIES OVER ATLANTIC TO DUBLIN

OREGON FOREST FIRE DANGER SLIGHTLY EASED

TEMPERATURE DROP HELPING FIRE FIGHTERS

Hazard Continues So Great Gov. Martin Suspends Burning Permits in Forests.

By the Associated Press.
Dangerous fires pierced the deep coolness of the Oregon forest country today but lower temperatures and improvement in humid conditions eased slightly one of the gravest menaces in years.
An unchecked fire charred virgin timber in a 100-acre section of the High Heaven ridge 15 miles west of McMinnville. Two hundred CCC and state foresters, aided by experienced woodsmen from Carlton, established a fire-fighting line along a two and one-half-mile front. A north wind handicapped the prospects of early control. Thirty men were left at the scene of an extinguished grass fire to guard against flare-ups in the McMinnville watershed.
A fire resulted in huge losses in the 800-acre experimental grazing project on burned over land in Clatsop county. About 150 acres sown with 40 varieties of seed was reduced to fine ash. Two hundred CCC youths, directed by the state experiment supervisor, Herbert Howell, moved out 1600 head of stock pastured on a tract set aside in an effort to recapture land values lost in a previous blaze. One CCC worker was injured by a falling snag.
Only about 50 acres of timber has been burned in the Clatsop fires and recent small blazes were blamed upon berry pickers.
Permits Suspended
The situation held so much danger Governor Charles Martin (Continued on page 6)

MOTORBOAT HITS SWIMMING GIRL

Anita Simons, 16, of Eugene, was in Mercy hospital here today suffering from deep scalp wounds suffered Sunday afternoon when she was struck by a motorboat. Miss Simons, who has been visiting at the J. A. Hart home in Roseburg, was one of a group of bathers in the Umpqua river at the Roseburg Country club grounds. A youth, who was not identified, was driving a motorboat in the vicinity of the swimmers, who was reported and ran his craft directly over Miss Simons. The girl dove in an attempt to escape being struck by the boat, but was hit upon the head by the propeller blade.

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THIS writer sat the other evening in a little gathering in Medford at which Herbert Hoover was present. It was about as informal as could be imagined, and was intensely interesting to this scribe, who was seeing Hoover at close range for the first time.
Seen at close range, he differs radically from the picture one forms of him by reading.
It was hot in the room. Outside a thunderstorm was brewing. "Mugsy" is the word people use to describe such a condition. In deference to the only living ex-President of the United States and one of the great figures of the world, every man present wore a coat, but coats were oppressive. We Southern Oregonians would have been more comfortable without them.
Hoover himself wore a coat (the familiar double-breasted one of his pictures) but no vest. His coat was unbuttoned. He wore a starched collar, of a conservative shape, and a black and white striped

Death Summons Great Queen



Dowager Queen Marie, above, of Rumania, who died today at the age of 66, kept her country on the side of the Allies in the World War, although her consort was a Hohenzollern. Her visit to the United States in 1926 attracted heavy investments of American capital to Rumania.

MRS. M. SPEIDEL PASSES AT GLIDE

Mrs. M. Spiedel, 76, wife of Otto Spiedel, died Saturday night at her home near Glides. She was born in Germany, May 12, 1862, and had made her home near Glides for the past twelve years.
Surviving are her husband and two sons, Lewis of Alberta, Canada and August, of Glides.
Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday at the Roseburg Undertaking company chapel. Rev. W. A. Sylvester officiating. Interment will follow in the Oak Creek cemetery.

OREGON CITIES TAX BASE SHOWS DROP

Eugene, July 18.—(AP)—The tax base in Oregon cities is almost down to where it was in 1913, Hermon Kehrl, director of the research said today.
It has dropped from a high in 1931 of \$537,650,598 to \$427,659,158. The decrease in municipal taxes, however, has not kept pace, Kehrl said having slipped less than \$1,000,000 since 1931.

QUEEN MARIE OF RUMANIA PASSES

Bucharest, July 18.—(AP)—Dowager Queen Marie of Rumania, who helped shape the destiny of her country for a generation, died today in her sixty-third year.
English by birth but reigning as consort of a Hohenzollern, Marie was credited with keeping Rumania from being drawn into the World War on the side of the central powers and ultimately bringing it into the struggle as one of the allies. Its army was routed and the country forced to sue for an armistice in December, 1917, but in the end the kingdom was materially expanded and, as a member of the "little entente" along with Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia, became a pivotal state in the post-war Danubian problem.
But while Rumania thus was involved in a changing political picture, Queen Marie had to struggle with tangled family affairs. Before her husband, King Ferdinand, died in 1927 her eldest son Carol had renounced his family and inheritance to live in France with an immigrant, Magda Lupescu. The couple virtually erased his mother as a political force. She had played that role for many years, for King Ferdinand was inclined to leave state affairs to his ministers and his queen.
Her trip to the United States in 1926, ostensibly to dedicate a museum of fine arts built near Crossville by Samuel Hill, a former Red Cross officer in Rumania, was credited with having been a factor in bringing American investments in Rumania up to more than \$25,000,000 by 1930.
The child walks into fish pond, drowns
THE PALLES, July 18.—(AP)—Verna Allene Nielson, 14 months old, drowned in the 18 inches of water in her parent's fish pond yesterday. The child learned to walk five days ago.

BLASTS, FIRE HIT REFINERY; 3 MEN KILLED

Sinclair Oil Co.'s Plant at Wellsville, N. Y., Suffers Damage of \$5,000,000; 75 Persons Hurt.

WELLSVILLE, N. Y., July 18.—(AP)—A spectacular explosion early today spread new havoc in the \$15,000,000 Sinclair Oil company refinery, after three men were killed and 75 injured in a chaos of fire and explosions last night, but firemen finally appeared to be bringing the fire under control.
A storage tank containing 2,500 barrels of naphtha exploded shortly before daybreak with a deafening roar and a cloud-sweeping flash of fire. No one was reported injured, but a similar tank, exploding last night, skyrocketed clear across the nearby Genesee river and killed three spectators on the opposite bank.
Chief Johnston of the company's fire department said damage, including business as well as stock and equipment, would amount to about \$5,000,000.
Blasts Spread Ruin.
Emergency calls for oil fire fighting chemicals were broadcast through western New York and Pennsylvania after the new explosion today. Soon afterward, a 500-barrel tank of highly inflammable naphtha caught fire, but a crew of 100 firemen took their lives in their hands and approached close enough to snuff out the fire with chemicals.
Other explosions, less intense, jarred the refinery during the forenoon but there were no further injuries and each hour found firemen more hopeful that the fire might be extinguished by night.
Firemen said they believed oil was still being fed to the fire through underground pipes which had not been closed. Once these were located and closed they said they thought the fire would diminish rapidly.
A new danger developed when fire, blazing up anew in the ruins of the dewatering plant and power house, flared to within a scant five feet of the naphtha plant, filled with high explosive chemicals.

RAIL WAGE SLASH PARLEY DEADLOCKS

CHICAGO, July 18.—(AP)—Management and labor remained deadlocked on the proposed 15 per cent wage cut for the nation's railroad workers after a preliminary closed conference today.
H. A. Enoch, chairman of a joint committee of the class one railroads, said:
"We presented no alternative to the 15 per cent cut proposal. We're talking 15 per cent. But we had a pleasant talk."
A. E. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, said:
"We're not offering a compromise plan. Nothing has occurred to suggest that wages should be reduced."
The management committee and the brotherhood agreed to meet again tomorrow. Negotiations involving 16 other brotherhoods were set for Wednesday.

Sutherland Faces Grass Fire Peril

A grass fire which started near the highway north of Sutherland at noon today had by 2 o'clock endangered the entire residential district of the north end of that city.
Fighters set out back fires along the ridge east of the city hoping to check the sweep of the blaze at that point. When reported shortly after noon today the Stearns property had been swept over but no buildings had been damaged.

CHILD WALKS INTO FISH POND, DROWNS

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JAP AVIATORS STAGE DARING FORAY ON FOE

Crews Quite Planes in Hail of Lead, Set Fire to 7 Chinese Craft and Rout Defenders.

SHANGHAI, July 18.—(AP)—Japanese naval fliers today carried out what a Japanese naval communiqué described as "the most daring attack in the history of military aviation."
During the large-scale attack upon the big Chinese airbase at Nanchang, southwest of Lake Poyang, a squadron of Japanese bombing planes landed at the airport despite rifle and machine-gun fire from the Chinese defenders, the communiqué stated.
Then the bombers' crews jumped out of their planes, the communiqué said, and with torches set fire to seven grounded Chinese planes, seized two machine-gun magazines as war booty, chased Chinese fleeing in a kaolin truck into a neighboring rice field, and returned to their base unscathed.
Jap Progress Slow.
Long-range artillery duels between Japanese warships and Chinese land batteries continued along the Yangtze river today, but war maps showed that the Japanese had made little progress during the past two weeks in the Yangtze sector.
The main concentration of Japanese warships still was at the Matowchen boom, 175 miles down river from Hankow, while land forces were held below Kinkiang, 135 miles below the provisional capital. The warships reached Matowchen July 5 after three weeks of hard fighting to gain the 40 miles from Nanking, capital of Anhwei province.
An attempt to advance overland from the north bank to the river in conjunction with the naval advance was meeting similar resistance. Chinese reports said the invaders (Continued on page 8)

IRRIGATION PLANTS WILL BE VISITED

A short tour of irrigation plants will be held next Thursday, July 21, according to an announcement made by County Agent J. Roland Parker. The first place to be visited will be the J. H. Morgan farm at Winston, where a low pressure sprinkler system is being installed. If interested individuals are requested to meet at the Morgan farm at 10 a. m. Arthur Kins, irrigation specialist of the state college will be present to discuss irrigation problems with individuals interested in installing irrigation systems.
Following the meeting at the D. H. Morgan farm in the morning the C. E. Marks farm in the Riverside community will be visited in the afternoon. Mr. Marks installed this season a low pressure sprinkler irrigation system and has been irrigating alfalfa, pasture, corn and truck crops with marked results. The time set for meeting at the Marks farm is announced for 1:15.
The tour will only include farms where low pressure sprinkler irrigation systems are being installed or are in operation. A later tour will be held for visiting farms using high pressure revolving sprinkler systems, states Parker, and advises anyone interested in irrigation to make the tour and become acquainted with the various methods of irrigation before purchasing equipment or installing an irrigation system.

FATAL SHOOTING ON FISH BOAT REPORTED

Newport, July 13.—(AP)—An alleged shooting on the fishing boat Pauline B as it entered Depoe Bay early today resulted in the death of Richard E. Earle, 49, of Dallas.
State police officer A. Mayfield said Stanley Nelson, who operated the boat with Earle, had been taken into custody. The incident, the officer reported, occurred near the highway bridge.

Unsanctioned Hop in Old-Type Plane Amazes Aviation World

Corrigan's Feat Flabbergasts U. S. Air Commerce Bureau, Fearing He Will Attempt Solo Dash Back

WASHINGTON, July 18.—(AP)—The Atlantic flight of Douglas R. Corrigan in a homemade plane frankly flabbergasted the air commerce bureau today.
Officials were so astonished that they could not think immediately what to do about Corrigan's hopping off without a permit.
One official said "It ain't right." Corrigan neither asked nor received a permit to fly to Europe. Regulations provide for penalties ranging from a fine to revocation of a pilot's license in such cases. Dennis P. Mulligan, chief of the AIC commerce bureau, said he had postponed the question of punishment.
"It's a great day for the Irish," he commented with a broad grin. Instead of worrying about Corrigan's punishment, Mulligan said, "right now I want to make every effort to keep him from flying back."
Although aghast at the flight without a permit, Mulligan's first question to reporters was whether Corrigan landed safely.
"Fine," he rejoiced on news of Corrigan's safety.
More Worry Ahead
Mulligan disclosed that Corrigan made some "overture" about obtaining a permit for the flight and was discouraged. The chief suggested Corrigan make no formal application because he knew it would be denied.
The air commerce head also was worried about others trying the same thing. "We've got a problem to keep other youngsters from trying it," he said.
Meanwhile, other bureau officials checked Corrigan's record in preparation for what Mulligan said probably would be the "gentle discipline" that might be necessary when Corrigan returns.
The Irish legation said meanwhile that Corrigan came down in Ireland apparently without an American passport, or an Irish visa, but would be welcomed just the same.
Legation officials said, however, the Irish would raise no difficulties. They predicted he would be made heartily welcome.
Seven persons have flown the North Atlantic solo before Corrigan: Lindbergh, Amelia Earhart, James Mollison, James Mattern, Wiley Post, Felix Wulfsberg and Beryl Markham.

BROWN RE-ELECTED TURKEY CO-OP HEAD

Annual Meet in Roseburg Featured by Addresses by Unit Managers.

O. C. Brown of Dixonville was reelected president of the Oregon Turkey Cooperatives at the annual meeting of that organization held in Roseburg Saturday. Other officers reelected were John Jendryowski, Hermiston, vice-president, and J. C. Leedy, Brooks, secretary-manager.
The Oregon Turkey Cooperatives is an association representing the four organizations of growers in the state: Redmond, Hamlet, Roseburg and Medford, and handles the Oregon market for those four groups in addition to giving aid in problems affecting the associations.
A business session was held in the afternoon, at which time officers were elected and reports received. A banquet and program in the evening was attended by a large number of growers and many local business men.
The program was in charge of President Brown, and J. C. Leedy, manager, former Douglas county agricultural agent, acted as toastmaster.
An interesting review of the cooperative movement among turkey growers of the state was presented by McKinley Huntington, manager (Continued on page 6)

COUNTIES ASSN. TO MEET ON JULY 25

MEDFORD, July 18.—(AP)—A district meeting of the Association of Oregon counties will be held at Gold Beach next Saturday, July 23. It was announced today by Earl B. Day, president of the organization. The district comprises Coos, Curry, Douglas, Josephine and Jackson counties. County Judge E. L. Phipps of The Dalles, executive secretary, will attend.
The district meetings are scheduled at Albany, Tuesday, July 26, and at Tillamook, July 27.
Thursday, July 28, the executive committee of the counties association will meet with the state relief board at Portland.

SPREE ON HIGHWAY BRINGS \$40 FINE

A fine of \$40 was imposed in the justice court here today upon John Hampton Crook of Elkton, who pleaded guilty to being drunk on a public highway. He remained in custody in lieu of payment of the fine. Lloyd Bryson Keeney, also of Elkton, arrested with Crook, was held for further investigation on a charge of drunken driving, according to Sergeant Paul Parsons of the state police, who said the investigation might lead to a re-determination of the charge to drunkenness in a public place.

VALENCIA DEFENSE ARMY THRUST BACK

Connections With Madrid Periled as Insurgents Rout Loyalists.

HENDAYE, France, (AP) the Spanish Frontier—July 18.—(AP)—Government resistance among the French-Mediterranean highway virtually collapsed today as Spain's civil war swung into its third year.
Dispatches from Valencia and Barcelona admitted large numbers of government militiamen were retreating along the highway toward Sagunto, 15 miles north of Valencia.
Insurgent warplanes flew over the routed troops, bombing and machine-gunning them.
Both sides seemed to have concentrated every possible war-plane, tank, gun and man in the (Continued on page 6)

DOUGLAS FOREST FIRES CONTROLLED

The forest fire situation was considerably improved in Douglas county today officials of federal and state forest protective agencies reported. Two new fires were reported on the Umpqua National forest, one on Jackson creek in the South Umpqua area, and the other on Grassy ranch in the Steamboat district. Both were under control today. During the past week lightning set 44 fires on the Umpqua forest, burning over a total of approximately 15 acres.
The county fire patrol reported two new fires today in the coast range district. Both were believed to be of incendiary origin. Three fires were set on Hubbard creek and burned together, covering an area of about 50 acres. Another on Rock creek in the Tyee mountain district, was said to be between 50 and 80 acres in extent. Fifty fire-fighters were expected to have both fires under control today.
The airplane used by the forest service in carrying supplies to stations on the Umpqua forest, left Sunday for service on the Siskiyou forest.

8-MONTH WOUND KILLS STATE COP

Portland, July 18.—(AP)—Injuries he suffered in November when an infuriated Yrebooth Ore., chicken rancher shot him at close range, yesterday took the life of state patrolman Ray Pyle.
Pyle and another state policeman went to the ranch of Gust Olson and Andro Dalsegaard on a trip Olson had killed Dalsegaard. After shooting Pyle, Olson killed himself. Dalsegaard's body was discovered later.

FIRES AND FLIERS

They're the news highlights at present, and NEWS-REVIEW service on both will keep you promptly informed. Will Corrigan try to hop back to the U. S.? That's the big question right now. Watch for the answer in your home-city daily.

Daring Aviator Triumphant On 100-To-1 Chance

Thought It Was California, Corrigan Tells Greeting Irish, Who Knew Not of His Coming.

BALDONNEL AIRPORT, Dublin, Ireland, July 18.—(AP)—An unticketed, single-motored American airplane fluttered down here this afternoon after its owner, 31-year-old Douglas Corrigan, had pushed it across the Atlantic in a surprise, unsanctioned flight from New York.
It taxied across the field and wheeled to a stop. Flabbergasted Irish airport officials rushing to the machine saw a grinning pilot climb out.
"I'm Douglas Corrigan," he said. "Just got in from New York."
"It took me 28 hours and 13 minutes," he said.
The plane came down from a rain-streaked sky at 2:30 p. m. (8:30 a. m. E. S. T.), 28 hours 13 minutes after Corrigan had taken it from Floyd Bennett airport on a flight "to California"—and with no permit for a trans-Atlantic crossing.
"By the way, where am I?" the flier asked the gathering Irish crowd.
The gaping Irish looked at Corrigan, at his plane and its nearly empty gasoline tanks, then back at the cheerful young pilot, dressed in leather jacket and trousers.
"Not much to it?"
Broad smiles broke, and brogues began.
"Corrigan, eh?" asked one Dubliner. "Have a nice crossing?"
"Not bad," was Corrigan's reply. "There was not much to it. I flew over the clouds all the time and never saw the ocean until I reached the coast. The weather was good."
Then, quite belatedly, attendants thought of landing papers and asked Corrigan for them.
"Forget it," he said, yawning. "I thought it was California all the time."
Most airmen on this side of the Atlantic had not conceded the daring American one chance in a hundred of making the Atlantic crossing after reading cabled accounts of his "disastrous" craft.
(Because of the department of commerce's rejection last year of his application for permission to make such a flight and because (Continued on page 6)

OREGON ACCIDENTS TAKE FOUR LIVES

EUGENE, July 18.—(AP)—Despite frantic effort of her mother, Mrs. Stella Gesh, 23, Jasper, Ore., to save her from an on-rushing Southern Pacific train, Mary Lou Gesh, 3, was killed when the train struck the Gesh car on a crossing near Jasper yesterday.
The machine stalled. Mrs. Gesh, carried 11-year-old Alvin Gesh to safety, dashed back for the other child, but was unable to reach her in time. Mrs. Gesh suffered a broken leg when the train hit the car.
PORTLAND, July 18.—(AP)—Verdie Robinson died today of injuries suffered yesterday when an automobile driven by her husband crashed into a stationary streetcar at North Denver avenue and McCullen street.
Five persons were injured in another accident when an automobile was crushed between a power pole and an interurban train near Kendall station.
MEDFORD, July 18.—(AP)—Marcell Greer, 29, of Gold Hill, drowned in the Rogue river near Rocky Point Saturday. A companion said the youth plunged into the cold stream for a swim after a hearty meal.
EUGENE, July 18.—(AP)—Charles E. Bailey, 77, lost his life in the Willamette river yesterday and became the third drowning victim in this vicinity since Thursday night.
Roy Sorenson was drowned in the McKenzie Thursday. Lloyd Seales, Eugene, in the Willamette Friday.