

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 56%.
Highest temperature yesterday 78.
Lowest temperature last night 60.
Precipitation for 24 hours 0.
Precip. since first of month 0.
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1937 40.89.
Excess since Sept. 1, 1937 8.11.
Partly Cloudy; Warmer Friday

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ROOSEVELT LINKS DEFENSE AID TO CANADA

TESTIMONY LINKS HARRY BRIDGES WITH 'REDS'

Present At Meets Under False Name

Patriotic Society Worker Tells House Probe of Secret Aide.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Miss Margaret Kerr, patriotic society worker, identified for a house committee today photostatic copies of an affidavit declaring Harry Bridges, west coast labor leader, attended meetings of the communist party as "Harry Dorgan."

The witness told the committee investigating un-American activities she had been active in the work of the Better American Federation for 18 years and had closely investigated many phases of subversive activities in California. Now executive secretary of the federation, her home is Los Angeles.

Questioned by Dies, Miss Kerr identified the federation as a patriotic organization and said it investigated subversive and un-American activities, especially on the Pacific coast.

Secret Aide Used
Miss Kerr identified for the committee record a photostatic copy of an affidavit by Irving N. Markheim, stating he had joined the communist party in Los Angeles at her suggestion and had met Bridges on several occasions. The affidavit said Markheim's first contact with Bridges occurred at a party session at Belvidere gardens on Floral street, Los Angeles in the spring of 1933. Eight or 10 persons were present, the affidavit said.

Later, Miss Kerr testified, Markheim advised her threats had been made against his life.

Miss Kerr, whose identity was kept secret by the committee until yesterday, took the witness stand after Thomas B. Schoemaker, deputy commissioner of immigration, had delivered to the committee what he said was the laborer's complete file on deportation proceedings against Bridges.

Informants in Fear
In presenting the voluminous record, Schoemaker requested the committee keep secret the names of informants because many of those persons "fear the results" if their part in the case became known.

His request for secrecy was protested by Representative Thomas (R., N. J.), who said compliance might "hamper" the committee's work.

SPINSTER-SISTERS HANG THEMSELVES

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Katherine and Marguerite Helfrich, middle-aged spinster-sisters, were found hanging in the attic of their home here today.

Police Chief Harris reported a note, addressed to an aunt signed by the sisters, said they "couldn't stand it any more."

Harris said the sisters tied electric cords around their necks and to the rafters, then jumped off chairs.

Editorials on the Day's News

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'Most Useful' N. Y. Citizen Passes



Adolph Lewisohn

SARANAK LAKE, N. Y., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Adolph Lewisohn, 89, multi-millionaire investment broker, philanthropist and music patron often described as "New York's most useful citizen," died of a heart attack yesterday at his summer home here.

Lewisohn, a German-born immigrant, amassed between \$40,000,000 and \$100,000,000 in copper mining and smelting, was best known to the public by his gift of the \$200,000 Lewisohn stadium to the College of the City of New York.

He is survived by his son, Samuel, and his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Lehman, widow of a brother of Gov. Lehman.

AL LENT PROMOTED BY LOWELL FIRM

Promotion of Al Lent, who for the past three years has served as manager of the Lowell store in Roseburg, was announced today.

Mr. Lent is being transferred to Grants Pass, where he will serve as local manager, and at the same time will act as supervisor for the southern Oregon territory.

In his supervisory capacity he will spend considerable time in Roseburg, thereby being enabled to maintain contacts in this city, although he will make his home in Grants Pass, to which city he is moving today.

He is being succeeded in the position of manager of the Roseburg store by H. W. Porter, who arrived in Roseburg this week from New York. Mr. Porter has been engaged in merchandising for the past 15 years, and operated stores for considerable time in Ogden and Salt Lake. For the past 18 months he has been employed with a national operator in New York, where, it is reported, he had an opportunity to study at first hand the most modern methods of merchandising the ladies' ready to wear, foot wear and accessories in which Lowells specializes.

MILL WORKER HURT BY FLYING BOARD

Bill Loomis, employee at the Metzger mill, was in mercy hospital today suffering from internal injuries. Loomis was injured when a board flew from the planer and struck him two heavy blows across the abdomen.

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be just as close to the truth as the rest of the world.)
WHY were the British, and other Europeans, buying gold? Because they were SCARED, and when people are scared about the financial future gold still looks safer to them than any other form of wealth.

In this country, we can't buy gold when we get scared, because the government won't let us. Probably we're just as well off in the long run.

THE Jap-Russian ruckus up on the Siberian border, which seemed to be all calmed down a few days ago, is getting hot again, and might boil over.

The Japs are accusing the Russians of being the aggressors.

Fight Holds Big Stake For New Dealers

Roosevelt Effort to Beat Rep. O'Connor Involves Control of Rules Committee.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Administration control of the strategic house rules committee is at stake in President Roosevelt's fight to unseat Rep. John O'Connor of New York.

If O'Connor is renominated and reelected, domination of this committee—which determines the legislation to come before the house—may pass into the hands of anti-administration congressmen.

O'Connor is chairman. Nine other democrats and four republicans are members. Four of the democrats—Sabath of Illinois, Greenwood of Indiana, Harlan of Ohio and Lewis of Colorado—are generally considered Roosevelt supporters.

Four others—Cox of Georgia, Smith of Virginia, Clark of North Carolina and Dies of Texas—back the president on the wage-hour bill. Some of them also have opposed various other administration measures.

Derrier of Arkansas, already has been eliminated from the picture. He lost his race for renomination to R. C. Gathings, after a campaign which politicians here said was lacking in issues of national importance.

Driver opposed the wage-hour bill. Assuming the number of democratic committeemen remains the same in the next session, his defeat will give the administration leadership in the house an opportunity to put a new deal supporter into his place.

Power Balance at Stake
If all the democratic committeemen have won their primary campaigns except O'Connor, Cox and Lewis, who are yet to come up for nomination, Cox is on the Georgia primary by W. J. Crowe, an avowed new dealer.

If the democratic members aside from Driver are renominated and reelected, the balance of power on some issues might lie with four republican committeemen.

Such a situation would place the white house in a highly disadvantageous position for pushing legislation through congress. The committee demonstrated its strength in the last congress when it blocked for almost a year house action

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NAZI TRADE PLAN REJECTED BY HULL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Secretary Hull rejected today Germany's offer of a trade arrangement founded on the German trade system but expressed willingness to negotiate on the American basis of multilateral commerce.

Replying to a Berlin dispatch yesterday by Dr. Rudolf Bruckmann, German secretary of state for economics, Hull said the United States naturally would be glad to find a basis for increasing trade with Germany.

The system upon which Germany operates, however, he said, is based on bilateralism (balance of trade as between two countries only) and barter.

Hull remarked this not only runs contrary to principles on which the United States is making trade agreements but usually winds up in failing to increase world trade.

BIRD, DESPERADO, DRAWS 45½ YEARS

BALTIMORE, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Judge Samuel K. Dennis sentenced Charles Bird, midwestern desperado, to 45½ years in state prison today after the 26-year-old gunman pleaded guilty to seven robbery charges under which he might have been sentenced to 140 years.

"It is the painful duty of the court to impose such a sentence that will require you to spend the rest of your life in confinement, or be so old when you are released you will no longer have the strength to prey upon the public," the judge told Bird.

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Special Election on Budget Boost To Finance Swimming Pool Plan Expected to be Set Here Monday

The Roseburg school board at its regular meeting next Monday night plans to fix a date for a special election at which time patrons of the district will decide upon the matter of financing construction of a swimming pool.

The project is estimated to cost approximately \$25,000, of which the district hopes to secure 45 per cent through a PWA grant.

The district's cost, according to the plan proposed by the school board, will be met by a 2½-mill tax to be included in the forthcoming budget. As such levy would bring the budget above the six per cent limitation, it is necessary that the matter be brought to a vote. As

the district has an assessed valuation of more than five million dollars, the proposed levy would raise a sufficient amount to meet the district's share of the swimming pool cost.

An application already has been made to the PWA contingent upon the outcome of the election.

It is pointed out that by raising the funds by an authorized budget increase, the district would not have to increase its bonded indebtedness, and at the same time there would be no added cost of interest on bonds. The tax base would not be affected, as the budget, the following year, would return to the current level.

JAPS RENEW FIGHT TO REACH HANKOW

Warships, Planes Battle Chinese Defenders on Banks of Yangtze.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Japanese warships and warplanes bombarded stubbornly-held Chinese position on the south bank of the Yangtze river today in redoubled efforts to break through to Hankow.

Chinese military sources reported their batteries mounted on hill-tops overlooking the Yangtze succeeded in disabling "numerous Japanese transports and warships."

After many previous assertions they had conquered Shansi province in the north, Japanese military authorities admitted today that the Chinese had established a strong 45-mile defense line linking Pingli and Puchow, the southern terminus of the Shansi railway, thus blocking one gateway to Hankow.

Japanese columns advanced today toward that region.

Guerrillas Deal Blows
Chinese guerrillas conducted widespread raids, especially in Shantung province, in northeastern China, where they claimed to have captured the railway station at Taian after having dynamited bridges and tracks north and south of that city and killed 100 Japanese.

Japanese aviators bombed Changsha, capital of Hunan province and treaty port about 180 miles southwest of Hankow, and inflicted heavy damage with direct hits on two railroad stations and military warehouses.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Lo Jang-Kwei, superintendent of Chinese section of the International settlement police, was shot dead by three assassins as he got out of his car in front of a hotel in the crowded heart of the city today.

His chauffeur also was wounded. The assassins escaped.

Colonel Kusunoki, chief of the Japanese army's special service

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BOY ELECTROCUTED AT KLAMATH PLANT

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Charles M. Rohr, Jr., 15, was electrocuted at the Big Lakes Box company substation here late yesterday.

County Coroner Adler said Rohr apparently had climbed the substation fence with the intention of pulling a switch handle. A few minutes before the mill current had gone dead, and Rohr, handy man about the plant, supposedly thought he could restore the power by operating the switch.

A fellow employee saw the youth fall backwards from the top of the fence. Two hours of effort failed to resuscitate him.

WESTERN OREGON GETS HEAVY RAIN

PORTLAND, Aug. 18.—(AP)—A drizzling rain, giving away to a heavy but brief downpour, wetted western Oregon's timbered forests and farms yesterday, breaking a threatened heat wave.

Precipitation here amounted to .25 inch between daylight and dark.

It was the first drenching downpour since June 16, and sent pedestrians scurrying over streaming pavements.

Statement of Foreign Policy In Kingston Speech Applauded

Water Pact Appeal Made By President

Private Control Threatens St. Lawrence River's Power, Roosevelt Warns Canada.

THOUSAND ISLANDS BRIDGE, Canadian-U. S. Border, Aug. 18.—(AP)—President Roosevelt made a vigorous plea for the long-debated St. Lawrence waterway treaty today and said unless the United States and Canada take joint governmental action a "group of American interests" may gain a monopoly in developing the river.

Mr. Roosevelt spoke at dedication ceremonies for the winding bridge across the St. Lawrence connecting Ivy Lea, Ontario, and Collins Landing, N. Y., a few hours after he had assured a Kingston, Ontario audience that citizens of the United States would not stand idly by if domination of Canadian soil is threatened by any other empire.

Caution Enjoined
The president, in his prepared address here, outlined the potentialities of navigation and power development in the boundary line river and then added:

"The development of natural resources, and the proper handling of their fruits, is a major problem of government. Naturally, no solution would be acceptable to either country which did not leave its government entirely master in its own house."

"To put it bluntly, a group of American interests is here gradually putting itself into a position where, unless caution is exercised, they may in time be able to determine the economic fate of a large area, both in Canada and the United States."

The president said he looked forward to the days when a Canadian prime minister and an American president could meet to dedicate not a bridge across this waterway, but the very water itself, to the lasting and productive use of their respective peoples.

Port Chain Envisaged
Mr. Roosevelt called attention to the fact at present there is a 14-foot channel carrying water traffic from the Great Lakes through the St. Lawrence to the Atlantic. He continued:

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SKELETON AND CAR SOLVE MYSTERY

EUREKA, Calif., Aug. 18.—(AP)—The mysterious disappearance a year ago of W. E. Losch, retired Portland service station operator, was believed solved yesterday.

Sheriff Arthur A. Ross said a body was found near the south fork of the Trinity river. Losch's car, in which he left a Humboldt tourist camp more than a year ago, was found almost demolished and half buried 550 feet below the south fork river.

The skeleton of a man, with Losch's driver's license nearby, was found a few feet from the car. The discovery was made by children swimming in the river.

The sheriff said indications were that Losch accidentally drove over a cliff while he was on a fishing trip. He was last seen on August 7, 1937, and an intensive search at that time failed to reveal his fate.

Parallels of Two Lives Reach Even To Appendectomy

HACKENSACK, N. J., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Edward J. Murphy, 50, and Joseph L. Black, 50, struck up a friendship when they were young men.

They entered the same business—printing—and rose to be vice-presidents of their respective companies.

They lived on the same street, joined the same golf club and played together every Sunday.

Last week, Murphy, just back from a trip to Mexico, was stricken with appendicitis. Black was a daily visitor—until today, when Murphy inquired about his absence physicians said:

"He's right in the next room. He had his appendix out last night."

INSURGENT DRIVE REPORTED BLOCKED

HENDAYE, France (at the Spanish Frontier), Aug. 18.—(AP)—Spanish government dispatches announced today government troops had thrown back an insurgent offensive in the vital Pandols mountains, which control the Gaudes sector in eastern Spain.

Government military bulletins asserted the insurgents had lost 20,000 men in vain attempts to break government lines in the Pandols the past six days.

The general situation apparently has changed little in the past four days, when both sides have attacked alternately. First one force and then the other seemed to gain an advantage.

Degree Acceptance Brings Reference To Supreme Court

KINGSTON, Ontario, Aug. 18.—(AP)—President Roosevelt told Canadians today he didn't think the supreme court would mind if he accepted an honorary degree from Queens university here.

Receiving a doctor of laws degree, the chief executive said:

"An American president is precluded by our constitution from accepting any title from a foreign prince, potentate or power. Queens university is not a prince or a potentate but it is a power."

"Yet I can say without constitutional reserve that the acceptance of the title which you confer on me today would raise no qualms in the august breast of our own supreme court."

MONROE DOCTRINE EXTENSION SEEN

Address of Roosevelt May Also Bring Canada Into Pan-American Union.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—State department officials interpreted President Roosevelt's speech at Kingston, Canada, today as an extension of the Monroe doctrine to Canada.

Hitherto the famous doctrine has been interpreted as applying solely to the Latin-American republics. It states the United States' determination to oppose aggression by an outside power in the western hemisphere.

When the doctrine was originally stated by President Monroe December 2, 1823, Canada was merely a colony of Great Britain. The declaration excluded the colonies already established in the western hemisphere by European powers.

Now, however, Canada has become an independent dominion, with its own foreign office and diplomatic representatives abroad.

President Roosevelt's speech recalled his last pan-American address when he said all the nations of the western hemisphere would join in resisting aggression from without. This was interpreted as a statement of a new pan-American Monroe doctrine.

The president's statement he "included the dominion of Canada in the fellowship of the Americas" also revived intermittent speculation here as to the possibility of Canada's some day becoming a member of the pan-American union.

ARSON SUSPECTED IN SERIES OF FIRES

FOREST GROVE, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Authorities investigated the possibility today that a series of fires near here might be the work of an incendiary.

Five blazes on farms have occurred in eight days, burning down buildings, pruned dryer, hop dryer, a barn and a house.

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Oddities Flashed From Press Wire

By the Associated Press

Wildcat Fighter

SANTA ANA, Calif.—Henry Schmidt probably can't "lick his weight" in them, but he's not afraid of wildcats. He has the carcass of one to prove it.

Schmidt, driving through Laguna canyon, encountered a wildcat which apparently had been injured by an automobile. When he started walking toward it on his crutches, the wildcat attacked him.

Schmidt stood his ground and fought back. A timely blow with a crutch killed the animal.

Parking Regulation

QUESNEL, B. C.—Not in the gay '90's, but in 1938 this legal notice appeared in a local newspaper:

"The municipality has provided a corral at the corner of Front street and Johnston avenue and all persons desiring to tie their horses or teams in the municipality are requested to use it for that purpose."

Good Riddance

CHICAGO.—Mrs. Michael Fielding took her pet monkey, Cholo, to

"Propaganda Over Seas," Pointed Out

Autocratic Regimentation, Wanton Brutality Also Receive Raps From the President.

KINGSTON, Ont., Aug. 18.—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today citizens of the United States "will not stand idly by" if Canada is threatened by foreign aggression.

The president made this frank foreign policy statement in an address in the stadium of Queens university here.

Beside him were Premier MacKenzie King of Canada and Lieut. Gov. Albert Matthews of Ontario.

Mr. Roosevelt repeatedly emphasized a strong bond of friendship exists between Canada and the United States.

"We as good neighbors are true friends," the president told his applauding audience, "because we refuse to accept the twists of secret diplomacy, because we settle our disputes by consultation and because we discuss our common problems in the spirit of the common good."

Pledge Wins Applause
When the president reached the section of his address asserting that Americans would not stand idly by if Canada were

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MARTIN STRESSES URGENCY OF FAITH

TILLAMOOK, Ore., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Governor Charles H. Martin, in a speech at the annual Tillamook county fair yesterday, urged the American people to "return to the faith of our fathers."

Telling an anecdote of President Harding, Governor Martin added:

"He was so busy he had not had time to think of God. That is just the way I feel at times. It is what we need now. When you see the futility and strife among people today, you realize the only thing that counts is the spiritual life."

"If the people ever needed spiritual life, they need it today. The employer and the employee must be brought together in friendship, not torn apart in discord. The employer should not feel that he can not fire the man who is not doing good work, because of the unions."

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Family Tradition

OMAHA, Neb.—Wedding oddity: Mr. and Mrs. Gus Glantz, Bennington, Neb., were married in Germany on Aug. 17—50 years ago.

Their daughter, Mrs. Frank Moeckelman, Omaha, was married Aug. 17—20 years ago.

Mrs. Moeckelman's daughter, Mrs. John Gavenowicz, was married Aug. 17—five years ago.

Penny-Wise

LANCASTER, Pa.—Charles Anderson, paying the hospital bill just before taking his wife and new son home, turned over 10,000 pennies in several jars. "I have been saving these pennies for 18 months," he said.