

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 56% Highest temperature yesterday 77 Lowest temperature last night 39 Precipitation for 24 hours 0 Precip. since first of month 5.60 Precip. from Sept. 1, 1938 2.24 Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1938 7.9 Cloudy.

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HANKOW NEXT?

If the Japanese capture the provisional capital of the Chinese, their last stronghold, it may mean the end of the war—and ultimately the crushing of nearly all American trade. Follow NEWS-REVIEW wire service.

JAPS OCCUPY CANTON; CHINESE IN FLIGHT

Editorials ON THE Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS HERE is something that will surprise you: Scandlings claim the lives of more children under five years of age than any other form of accident. More than nine hundred American children perish from this cause every year.

FALLING into containers of hot or boiling fluids is the most frequent cause of fatal scaldings, accounting for 57 per cent of these accidents last year.

THIRTY-SIX per cent of the total caused their own death by upsetting containers of hot or boiling liquid. Some pulled pots of hot tea or soup from a table, while others climbed on chairs and upset containers supposedly placed out of their reach on a shelf.

If you follow the papers closely, you've noticed the big spy scare in the past week or so.

This big spy scare will be followed by a proposal to congress to create a new spy-hunting organization that will provide a lot of

SPRAGUE REFUSES TO MAKE PROMISES

MORO, Oct. 21.—(AP)—"Those who want a governor who would become patty in the hands of pressure groups need not vote for me," Charles A. Sprague, republican gubernatorial nominee, said in a speech last night.

"I refuse to buy my way into office with promises," Sprague added. "I have not made a single deal in this campaign and win or lose, none will be made. No minority subversive group is going to step in and take over the control of the state government through unlawful means with my consent."

"I refuse to pander to any clique or faction. I am interested in restoring stable conditions in our state so that lawful business may proceed and that men may have steady and profitable work. But make no mistake about any extreme. The jackals of finance will find no friend in me."

Ickes Brands Concentrated Wealth As Nation's Public Enemy No. One

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Harold L. Ickes, secretary of the Interior, called "over-concentration of economic power" the nation's "public enemy number one" today in a speech before the Commonwealth club.

"The day up his famous 'sixty families' bone of contention, subject of nationwide comment following his radio speech last December on this subject. Ickes attributed 'economic indecision' to the clash between growing 'economic autocracy and a growing political democracy.' Each tries to curb the other, he said, and 'so long as this struggle goes on we shall never have a clear-cut direction in our economic life.'"

Citing various statistics on division of the national income—one group to show 178,000 families got as much as 121 million other families, another to balance the income of 227 families against more than 2 million getting less than \$250 a year—Ickes asserted concentration of wealth is "aggravated by concentrated economic power."

Camas Valley Woman Hangs Self

Act Ascribed To Ill Health, Despondency

Mrs. Rebekah Wallraff, 56, Evades Watchfulness of Kin Long Enough to End Her Life.

Apparently despondent because of ill health, Mrs. Rebekah Wallraff, 56, resident of Camas Valley for the past seven years, committed suicide Thursday afternoon by hanging herself in the woods at her home. The case was pronounced suicide by District Attorney J. V. Long, who, with Deputy Sheriff Fred Kinsel, conducted the official investigation. Authority for removal of the body was given by Justice of the Peace B. Denn at Camas Valley.

The officers were told, they reported, that Mrs. Wallraff recently underwent a major operation at North Bend, and had been in very poor health following her return home. She was reported to have been in a despondent frame of mind, and was being carefully watched by members of the family.

Yesterday afternoon, while her husband was absent from the house for a few moments, she slipped into the woods and hanged herself. Her husband, F. W. Wallraff, discovered her before she died, but was unable to revive her. She was born Jan. 27, 1882, in Aldershot, Ontario, Canada. Mrs. Wallraff had resided in the United States for the past 25 years, and for the last seven years had made her home in Camas Valley.

Surviving besides her husband are two sons, John and Fred, Woodburn, a brother, John Cummings, Niagara, N. Y., and a sister, Mrs. Alice Vaughn, Hamilton, Ont.

LOYALISTS PLAN MAJOR OFFENSIVE

HENDAYE, France (at the Spanish Front), Oct. 21.—(AP)—Reports from government sources indicated today that the army was virtually complete for an offensive designed to strengthen the government's position before the third winter of the Spanish civil war sets in. Meanwhile the insurgent government through its official press called for the accord of belligerent rights immediately to the insurgents.

PORTLAND MAD DOG BITES 3 PERSONS

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SALEM MAN WINS G.O.P. ORATOR PRIZE

PORTLAND, Oct. 21.—(AP)—William Thomas of Salem took first place last night in the Oregon finals of a national oratorical contest conducted by the Young Republican National Federation. Besides the \$100 cash prize, Thomas earned the right to compete in the regional finals at San Francisco, October 29. The regional champion will gain his expenses to the national finals at Washington.

BLAST WRECKS JAIL; EIGHT MEN ESCAPE

COLUMBUS, Ga., Oct. 21.—(AP)—A boiler explosion blasted out part of the east wing of the Muscogee county jail today, injuring 11 prisoners and jailer W. D. Layfield. Scratched and bruised, Layfield said eight of the 76 persons booked were not accounted for and might have escaped. A check of the debris disclosed no dead.

NAZI SPY MANUAL BARED AT TRIAL

German Secret Service Letter to Rumrich, Witness for Government, Enjoined Secrecy and Discretion

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—(AP)—A cryptically worded letter signed "N. Spielmann," the purported alias of the head of the German secret service, was disclosed today as a sort of beginner's manual on "how to become a good spy."

The letter, made public by Asst. U. S. Atty. Dunigan in connection with the trial of three alleged Nazi spies in federal court, gave "little hints" on "European business procedure."

Addressed to Guenther Gustav Rumrich, 32, former U. S. army sergeant, who has confessed his guilt in the spy trial and testified for the government, the letter referred to a sum of \$300—the price Rumrich testified he asked for carrying out a plot to forge President Roosevelt's signature on bogus White House stationery to gain possession of secret plans for U. S. navy aircraft carriers Yorktown and Enterprise.

JUDGE ADAMS WINS DISMISSAL OF SUIT

Holding that "the action was brought for the purpose of embarrassment," Municipal Court Referee Nod Mulville has dismissed in the Los Angeles court an action brought against Municipal Judge Ida May Adams, according to word received here.

The suit was brought by Mrs. Fannie Lee Stewart, divorced wife of Ernest A. Stewart, former campaign manager for Judge Adams, to collect a \$1,450 judgment she obtained against her ex-husband as a property settlement.

Mrs. Stewart is the owner of ranch property in the Cavitt creek district east of Roseburg and is now located at his summer place there. The property in Douglas county figured in the Los Angeles action, as Mrs. Stewart alleged that her ex-husband had arranged an entire floor in the ranch home for Judge Adams, and that the latter visited there frequently.

Claiming that the suit filed by Mrs. Stewart was "scandalous" and that it tended to reflect upon her character as a public official, Judge Adams filed complete denial and declared that she would not "submit to blackmail and refused to pay a penny."

UTILITY PROPOSAL RENEWED IN LINN

ALBANY, Ore., Oct. 21.—(AP)—County Clerk Russell checked petitions today asking permission of the state hydroelectric commission for an election on a proposed people's utility district in virtually all inhabited portions of Linn county.

WARD COMPANY'S WAREHOUSE BURNS

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 21.—(AP)—A spectacular fire, gutting the interior of the building and roaring through the roof, last night destroyed the entire stock of merchandise stored in a Montgomery Ward and Company furniture warehouse here. The building itself was reduced to a blackened shell.

73 Indicted For Alleged WPA Abuse

Prominent Persons of New Mexico Listed in Group Accused by Jury of Gross Coercion.

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 21.—(AP)—The federal grand jury returned indictments today against 16 corporations and 32 persons, charging a conspiracy to defraud the works progress administration of approximately \$250,000 in the purchase of sand and stone for WPA projects in Essex, Passaic and Bergen counties.

The indictments resulted from an investigation by agents of the federal bureau of investigation, and the WPA.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Oct. 21.—(AP)—New and further reaching indictments were hinted today to be impending in the wake of federal grand jury indictments returned here late yesterday against 73 persons charged with making political capital of the New Mexico WPA.

Dozens prominent in state politics and government were indicted on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government for political purposes, among them Assistant U. S. District Attorney Stanley W. P. Miller, son-in-law of Senator Dennis Chavez; two democratic county chairmen; Mrs. Anita Tafayo, Senator Chavez's sister; Mrs. J. A. Worner, wife of the Albuquerque postmaster, and former State WPA Administrator Fred Healy.

Agents of the WPA division of investigation under Special Agent C. E. Goranson, who have worked a month with the grand jury, were still on the investigation.

The grand jury action, which concluded a month of carefully veiled inquiry, fell like a bombshell in New Mexico's heated political campaign.

INCOME TAX BOOST FOR ARMS PLANNED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Congressional tax experts are studying several proposals for increasing income taxes to finance an expanded armament program.

These experts—staff members of the joint committee on internal revenue—will make recommendations for tax legislation at the next session of congress.

Informed persons said an emergency 10 per cent increase in income taxes was one method under consideration. The increase would apply to both individual and corporate incomes. On the basis of this year's revenue estimates, it would yield an additional \$200,000,000.

The authorities said the additional levy would be imposed for only a year or two, and would expire automatically at the end of the designated period.

TYPHOON IN JAPAN DEALS DEATH, RUIN

TOKYO, Oct. 21.—(AP)—A typhoon roared in from the sea today, taking at least 226 lives and injuring more than 550 persons. About 250 persons were missing.

The unreasonably storm which lashed waters overlaid along the coastal reaches of Japan in the Tokyo-Yokohama district and elsewhere rendered an estimated 25,000 persons homeless.

Suicide Is Found On the Grave Of His Sweetheart

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—(AP)—DeForest Japne, 28, a riding master, murdered "I'll be with you again" as he watched the body of his fiance being lowered into a grave in Calvary cemetery Wednesday.

The girl, Mae Sweeney, 25, died suddenly last Saturday. She and Japne, a champion horseman who won many trophies and prize ribbons in rodeo contests, were to have been married this fall.

Yesterday the riding master, wearing polished boots, white breeches, and sombrero, was found dead on the flower strewn grave. Nearby was his shotgun.

LONDON SCORES WAY RELIEF CONDUCTED

VALENTINE, Neb., Oct. 21.—(AP)—Alfred M. Landon said here today the administration of relief in the United States, from a humanitarian point of view, "must be called the most unjust and downright political in the world today."

The 1936 republican presidential nominee, in an address prepared for delivery before a northwestern Nebraska political rally, asserted "every politician knows that Mr. Hopkins and the president are just having their little joke when they say relief is free from political manipulation. Every politician in both parties knows that the spending machine and the WPA pressure machine will deliver votes just like the city machine does."

"Nowadays folks speak of 'pork' he said. 'Now, that word is a new high-toned word for you. In the old days we called it 'pork barrel.'"

"Those on WPA have a right to be dissatisfied. It is up to them to ask just what progress has been made toward the solution of the unemployment problem in the last six years. The big job ahead of us six years ago was to get men back to work. That is the job ahead of us now."

CZECHS CALL OFF 20th BIRTHDAY FETE

PRAGUE, Oct. 21.—(AP)—The Czechoslovak government today decreed cancellation of Czechoslovakia's 20th birthday party scheduled for next Friday.

The cabinet advised the people to "spend the day in the work of rebuilding the republic," instead of celebrating as in previous years. The war ministry in the meantime ordered immediate relief sent to three groups of Jewish refugees living in the fields near Breclav.

LINDBERGH FLIES NAZI AIRPLANES

BERLIN, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh today expressed the hope German airships soon would cross the Atlantic again in regular flights to America.

The aviator inspected the new dirigible at Friedrichshafen, and visited the nearby Dornier airplane works, where he flew several planes.

Wage-Hour Law Head Denounces Firms Planning to Close Plants

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Elmer F. Andrews, wage-hour administrator, hit out today at industries which he said intended to shut down Monday to avoid compliance with the new fair labor standards act.

City Given Up As Its First Barrier Fails

Departing Chinese Blow Up Major Utilities; Fall of Hankow Looms as Certainty.

HONGKONG, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Japanese troops today entered Canton, South China metropolis and objective of a two-overland offensive that started more than 100 miles away on October 12 with an estimated 42,000 men.

An official source reported that "utter confusion" reigned in Canton, vital supply center for Chinese troops in central China, as the invaders pierced the city's first defenses.

Government officials fled to Yungyun, 92 miles north of Canton. The Chinese dynamited a cement plant, a power plant and other major utilities before the Japanese entrance, carrying out the defenders' "scorched earth" policy of leaving nothing behind for the invaders' use.

As the invaders approached, the Cantonese had tried furiously to dig trenches and make machine-gun emplacements at strategic centers, while hundreds of thousands of inhabitants fled in all directions, leaving a small fraction of the population behind.

Conflicting reports had obscured the real progress of the well-equipped Japanese columns, but apparently Chinese resistance was weak during the invaders' advance from Bias bay.

A Japanese spokesman said aerial observation showed the Chinese were retreating in a long line north of Canton.

Hankow Exodus Begun. (Reuters British News agency) reported from Shanghai that General

BRITISH WILL KEEP AFTER ARAB REBELS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 21.—(AP)—British military authorities prepared today to strike in other parts of Palestine in continuation of the campaign against rebellious Arabs.

The next scene of operations of the soldiers who restored comparative order to the old quarter of Jerusalem was not disclosed, but the rebel-infested Bethlehem area was considered a likely objective.

Spontaneous sniping continued in Jerusalem last night, and troops still surrounded the mosque of Omar, where many Arabs were believed to be entrenched.

Welfare workers handed out food to hungry residents of the old city, still suffering from a provision shortage, shops were closed. Authorities started to remove refuse from shuttered bazaars as a precaution against epidemics.

Two Jewish workers were killed and two were wounded in an ambush near Tel Aviv, but no major incidents were reported elsewhere in the Holy Land.

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