

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 92%
Highest temperature yesterday 58
Lowest temperature last night 47
Precipitation for 24 hours 1.47
Precip. since first of month 3.09
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1938 6.58
Excess since Sept. 1, 1938 2.16
Showers.

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14 DIE WHEN BRITISH AIRLINER CRASHES
Flames Sweep Forests and Prairies in 13 States

Timber, Hay Crops Suffer; Farms Periled

Shows Aid Fight Against Fire in Belt Extending From Ohio Valley to Southern Gulf.

By the Associated Press. An army of experts and volunteers today strove to check forest and prairie fires in arid areas of 13 states. In at least two states in the blaze belt—extending from the Ohio river valley to the gulf and from the Mississippi water shed to the Atlantic seaboard—wary forces succeeded in stemming conflagrations. In several others they were heartened by prospects of rain. Fires in Wayne and Hamilton counties in southern Illinois were reported "about under control." Forestry chiefs enlisted 1,700 WPA workers, CCC enrollees and farmers in the battle. Gov. Henry Horner, declaring a state of emergency, issued a proclamation prohibiting the kindling of any open fires in wooded regions. In neighboring Indiana, a dykist wind aided CCC workers and farmers in gaining control of a fire northwest of Columbus after it had burned over 2,000 acres. Rain Eases Dixie Peril The weather proved a favorable factor in the deep south. General rains moving eastward from the Mississippi valley were expected to douse most of the fire-menaced sections. It was predicted the showers would reach Georgia to (Continued on page 6)

Roosevelt, in Talk Tonight, To Discuss New Deal Laws; Oregon Aspirants in Rallies

President To Cover Last 5 Years' Work

Effort Being Made to Keep Coercion Under WPA to Minimum, Says Nation's Head. HYDE PARK, N. Y., Nov. 4.—(AP)—President Roosevelt disclosed today he would discuss in his campaign speech tonight all new deal legislation passed in the last five years. He said it would cover the Wagner labor relations and social security acts, care of crippled and destitute children and other laws. Asked if he was ready to discuss possible revision of the Wagner act in the light of the expressed opposition to revision by the labor relations board, the president said every law needs improvement and always will. In response to other questions, he said while the federal administration could not be held responsible for coercion of WPA workers by either democratic or republican local politicians, it was making every effort to keep such coercion to a minimum. All possible steps, he added, were being taken to keep local politicians and other from being mixed up in WPA. The president's speech tonight comes just two years after he won the greatest vote victory in the nation's history. Just as in 1936 he called for popular support for his policies, so tonight he will have opportunity to ask the voters to stand back of his program. His nationally broadcast speech (NBC, CBS and Mutual networks) will be delivered at Hyde Park, N. Y., from 4:30 to 5 p. m., PST. Vote to Be Indicative Although this is not a presidential year, the results of next Tuesday's balloting will be examined closely by both republicans and democrats for indications of the country's attitude toward the administration. Since Mr. Roosevelt's victory two years ago, there have been political and economic developments which have provided new issues in many senatorial and congressional races. Republicans have made capital of the decline in business which (Continued on page 5.)

Republicans Will Demand Probe of Relief Agencies

Sprague Says Issue Is Good Government

Holman Voices Warning on Finances; Mahoney and Hess Lay Stress on Power Projects. PORTLAND, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Although political observers agreed the majority of Oregon voters had already decided how they would ballot at Tuesday's general election, thousands of words flowed from the lips of candidates who watched time run out rapidly in the last days of the campaign. Candidates for governor and the United States senate and the interests seeking the success or defeat of measures remained in the Willamette valley, the state's most densely populated section. All major republican nominees appeared at a Marion county party rally last night. Charles A. Sprague, candidate for governor, defined good government as the chief issue. "The state is going to decide," he said, "whether we shall put into power an administration of left-wing radicals, of commonwealth members with a communistic fringe, of labor racketeer supporters or whether we shall have sound, stable government." Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer and republican choice for the senate, warned against national bankruptcy and stated he would work to stabilize money, preserve liberty and freedom and balance the federal budget. Other republicans at the rally included Earl Snell, secretary of state, Congressman James Mott of the first district, and Charles A. Rice of Portland, candidate for superintendent of public instruction. "The people of this area paid about \$16,000,000 for power in 1934 while under the publicly controlled power districts sought by the national administration the same (Continued on page 6)

Japan Plans To Ditch Pact Of 9 Powers

Agreement Made in '22 to Maintain Open Door in China Slated for Renunciation.

TOKYO, Nov. 4.—(AP)—The Japanese foreign office spokesman today announced Japan was considering renunciation of the 1922 nine-power treaty by which the United States, Japan and seven other powers pledged respect for China's independence and territorial integrity and promised efforts to maintain equal commercial opportunities in China. Japan, he said, considers obsolete the agreement to which the United States is a signatory, and is examining a tri-power pact among Japan, Japanese-supported Manchoukuo and a new Chinese regime envisioning displacement of the Chiang Kai-Shek government. Japan believes negotiations with individual powers over interests in China are possible, however. Japs Oppose 'Politics' An official statement on Tuesday said Japan intended to create an economic and political bloc of China, Manchoukuo and the Japanese empire. Authorities have said Japan's objection to the principle of equal opportunities in China was based primarily not on economic grounds but what they called the impossibility of "keeping business separate from politics." The foreign office spokesman said today it was "quite possible" Japan would deal with the nine-power signatories' claims to rights in China separately rather than as members of the accord. Informed sources believed even allied Germany and Italy might not be granted special business privileges in China. Officially-inspired statements stress the necessity for Japanese political dominance there. JAPS WARN NEUTRAL BOATS TO AVOID YANGTZE REGION SHANGHAI, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Japanese today warned neutral powers they had to be ready to send their gunboats up the Yangtze river at least as far as Shant, 120 miles west of Hankow, and designated the area between Hankow and Shant a zone of hostilities. The Japanese memorandum also advised foreign vessels in the Ssang river, which empties into the (Continued on page 6)

Bubble Dancer Sally Rand Guilty of Assaulting 2 Candid Camera Fans, Jury Decides; Fine and Jail Faced

Los Angeles, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Convicted of scratching and hitting two candid camera fans who took close-up shots of her in a stage bubble dance, Sally Rand today faced a maximum sentence of six months in jail, a \$1,000 fine, or both. A jury of nine gray-haired women and three men was unimpressed by Miss Rand's testimony she didn't bite and her fingernails were closely pared, so she wouldn't puncture her bubble. But the jurors apparently were impressed by Municipal Judge C. A. Hallreich's instructions "there can be no privacy in that which is already public," for late yesterday they convicted Miss Rand on two counts of assaulting Ray Stanford and Hazel Drain, the candid camera fans, and Judge Hallreich ordered her to appear for sentence next Monday, at which time he will consider her lawyer's motion for a new trial. "Defenseless," Sally Says Miss Rand told the jury she didn't mind particularly when Stanford, sitting in the first row, snapped her dancing with five-foot ostrich feather fans. It wouldn't have mattered so much, she added, if he had snapped her through the transparent curtain dancing behind a bouncy rubber ball, 42 inches in diameter. But the ball got away from her, she said, and then Stanford pushed his camera around the edge of the curtain and she heard it go "click!" "I was defenseless from that camera," she told the jury. "Imagine!" Despite this jury's action, Miss Rand accepted an invitation to (Continued on page 6)



Sally Rand.

Craft Struck By Fire Over Jersey Island

All 13 Aboard Perish, Man in Field Killed; Plane, in Fall, Narrowly Misses Hotel. ST. HELIER, Island of Jersey, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Fourteen persons were killed today in one of Britain's worst airplane disasters when a fully-loaded passenger airliner crashed in a field just after taking off for Southampton, England. The victims were nine men, four women and a child, and included the pilot, Capt. A. C. M. Cary, the wireless operator, 11 passengers and a man working in the field where the plane crashed. The crash occurred at 10:52 a. m. shortly after the takeoff from Jersey airport, which is several miles from St. Helier. The plane was seen to circle several times in the channel island fog before falling into the field about 600 yards from the takeoff. It was a four-motored De Havilland plane named St. Catherine's Day. Other Disasters Recalled The only recent comparable disaster in Britain was the crash of a Netherlands airliner at Croydon airport Dec. 9, 1936, when 14 persons were killed, including Juan de la Cierva, inventor of the autogyro. It was the worst disaster involving a British airliner since the Imperial Airways "City of Liverpool" crashed at Dixmude, Belgium, in March, 1933, causing 15 deaths. "The plane which crashed today was operated by the Jersey Airways service on a route used by hundreds of vacationists each year. "Distress calls quickly brought doctors, nurses, firemen and ambulances. In a few moments after the crash, the peaceful countryside looked like a wartime casualty station. (Continued on page 6)

TRAGEDY FOLLOWS ROW OVER PARKING

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—(AP)—A motorist killed Donald Warden, 27, last night because he objected to having a car parked on his front lawn. The slayer and his three companions, all unidentified, fled after the shooting. A quarrel developed when Warden told the men to move their car, one wheel of which was parked on the lawn. Three of the men engaged Warden in a fist fight. The fourth opened fire with a pistol. Warden, a railroad electrician and former amateur boxer, fell mortally wounded by a bullet in the chest. His son, Donald, Jr., 8, was asleep in the house at the time, his wife, Annette, 27, was telephoning police. A 14-year-old girl witnessed the killing. The slayer knocked her down as he made his escape. (Continued on page 5.)

GERMAN BOAT HELD SABOTAGE VICTIM

Blast That Sank Vancouver in Oakland Estuary Now Being Investigated. OAKLAND, Calif., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Evidence of possible sabotage arose today as six separate investigations were pushed into the sinking of the German liner Vancouver yesterday after a terrific explosion below the waterline. Efforts were to be made today to raise the 477-foot vessel from a mudbank in Oakland estuary where she settled stern-down after the blast. Four members of the crew of 54 were injured by the blast. Eight passengers on the ship were not harmed, and called the experience "tremendously exciting." An exhaustive investigation on the vessel last night by Dist. Atty. Earl Warren, federal bureau of investigation agents and other officials brought a closely-guarded statement from Warren that "we are of the opinion the explosion was not in the engine room or in the ship itself." Because of international implications, Warren declined to say the explosion was the work of saboteurs until the vessel could be raised and an examination of the hole made. No Accident Crew Says But German officials and crew members declared the blast was not accidental. Capt. E. W. Moessinger said the explosion was "damned suspicious," and three crew members standing at the control board in the engine room, six yards forward from where the blast took place, said the "detonation" must have happened outside the ship, or they wouldn't have been alive to tell their stories. They were showered with steel particles, suffered minor cuts and bruises, and barely managed to escape up an emergency hatch before mud and water flooded the engine room, they said. The captain, chief engineer and other crew members agreed water spouted as high as the mast when the blast occurred. A diver's examination disclosed a hole about five feet square had been torn in the hull plates, and Chief Engineer C. Diederich said they were bent inward. The Vancouver was en route from a terminal in the narrow estuary. (Continued on page 6)

YODER CONVICTED, LIFE TERM FACED

OREGON CITY, Ore., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Ten women and two men convicted Ramon Yoder, 39-year-old farmer, today for the first degree murder of his sister-in-law and recommended life imprisonment. Yoder, who had pleaded guilty but was required to stand trial under the Oregon law, said quietly to Sheriff E. T. Mass: "I would have jumped four feet into the air if they had left off that recommendation." The recommendation is mandatory upon the court. Yoder left his brother on a deer hunting trip and returned to their farm near Aurora, where Edith Yoder was shot October 14. The convicted man informed officers he loved his sister-in-law. Shortly before she died, Mrs. Yoder told State Police Sergeant E. C. Snow she had not returned the love. Relatives and a psychiatrist testified Yoder's mind had been derailed by the long use of liquor. His counsel asserted he was intoxicated and incapable of premeditating the crime. (Continued on page 6)

2 DIE, 3 HURT WHEN FIRE HITS RECTORY

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Two men, one a Franciscan brother, died early today in flames which damaged upper floors of the rectory of the Church of St. Anthony of Padua. One priest, trapped five floors above the street, was critically burned, and another was injured in leaping from a window to the roof of an adjacent building two floors below. The dead were Brother John Chiazza, 58, and Julius Tappero, 65, a cook. Father Richard Fagin, 26, was taken to Columbus hospital, with burns of face, hands and body. Sixty-two-year-old Father Luigi Vitali suffered a leg injury when he leaped from the window of his room to the roof of a settlement house. A third priest, Father Antonin Tosti, suffering from exposure, was hospitalized. (Continued on page 6)

TWO INDICTMENTS FACE WM. MAYER

Manlaughter Charged in Highway Tragedy; Three Others Accused. William Mayer, 70, Marshfield, who was involved Oct. 22 in an automobile accident at Dundy which took the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Allen F. Moore of Roseburg, faced two indictments today, each charging involuntary manslaughter. The indictments were returned today by the grand jury, which also filed true bills against William Patrick Carroll, charging him with taking away from her parents a female child under the age of 16 years; Vernon Moore, non-support, and Clifford Charles Hobson, non-support. Two secret indictments were filed. Carroll, who is alleged to have procured a license to marry a 15-year-old girl, entered a plea of not guilty to the charge brought in the indictment when arraigned in circuit court this morning. Reporting that it had completed investigation of all cases brought before it, the grand jury returned not true bills in favor of Tom Yarkum and Darrell Davis, each charged with threats to commit a felony; John T. Black, charged with larceny in a store; Dennis Wood, accused of non-support, and W. J. Mueller, charged with yantron injury to an animal. (Continued on page 6)

ERROR WRIT SAVES KIDNAPER'S LIFE

Lawyers Drive 6 Hours in Storm to Stay Hand of Death in Prison. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Twenty-nine anxious minutes after a confessed kidnaper was scheduled to die in Missouri's lethal gas chamber, three attorneys arrived at the state prison early today ending a six-hour drive through a blinding rainstorm with papers which spared his life for at least 10 months. By telephone, they had succeeded in having the execution hour for Oscar Ralph Ashworth, 37, delayed from 12:01 to 1 a. m., while they threatened their alimony way by automobile the 225 miles from St. Joseph, Mo., to the prison here. At 12:30 a. m., they arrived with a writ of error, automatically staying execution. Under ordinary weather conditions the six-hour drive could have been made in less than four. "I am going to pray all day," the distraught Ashworth mumbled gratefully to Warden J. Frank Ramsey when informed he would not have to die today for kidnaping a seven-year-old St. Joseph girl and attempting to assault her. The dramatic move of the attorneys, who withheld the nature of the evidence forming a basis for their action, was made after the mother of the unharmed girl victim and relatives of Ashworth failed in attempts to intervene for the condemned man. (Continued on page 6)

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS HERE is a statement about taxes that is vouched for by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. "The cost of government—federal, state and local—mounted from \$8,318,000,000 in 1933 to \$16,500,000,000 in 1937, or from \$79.96 per capita to \$130.75 per capita." AND here is a rather startling statement regarding the cost of the federal government alone: "At the present rate of public spending, it would take the working population of a city of 15,000 inhabitants about 150 years to support the federal government alone for one year." AND here is another one worth reading: "If every dollar of income of persons receiving more than \$5,000 a year were taken in taxes, the sum would pay the cost of our numerous governments for only about six months." "SHUCKS," you may say upon reading this, "I should worry

I don't pay any taxes. Why should I bother my head about what government costs? The National Consumers Tax commission has just completed an interesting study as a result of which it finds that in New York City the average low income family gets \$1473.25 a year and out of this income it pays in HIDDEN TAXES the sum of \$192.19. Hidden taxes are taxes that are included in the cost of your living. They HAVE to be included there, for taxes are a part of the cost of doing business. Any business man knows that. THE average low income family in New York, according to this study, pays THIRTEEN PER CENT of its income in hidden taxes. Taxes, you see, get around to everybody in the course of time. AS long as government goes on spending more than it should taxes will be higher than they ought to be. And as long as taxes are higher than they ought to be (Continued on page 4)

UTILITY SUED BY TOWNSEND OFFICER

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 4.—(AP)—E. K. Leonard, 49, filed suit for \$1,925,590 damages against the Portland General Electric company and S. S. Williams yesterday. Leonard, district supervisor for the Townsend pension plan in Clark and Skamania counties, Wash., charged that on Oct. 13 he was assaulted by Williams, an agent for the General Electric company. He asserted he suffered permanent injuries, including loss of sight in his left eye. Leonard declared the assault was provoked by his refusal to permit use of Townsend clubs in Clark and Skamania counties for propaganda against formation of public utility districts. (Continued on page 6)

PRISON CLERKSHIP GIVEN EX-BANKER

OSHSING, N. Y., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Richard Whitney, one-time head of the New York stock exchange, got a new job in Sing Sing prison today—clerk in the office of Principal Keeper John Sheehy. Whitney, serving a 6-to-10 year sentence for larceny of securities entrusted to his care, was admitted to the prison last April 12 and has been teaching in the prison school. (Continued on page 6)

PAROLEE, 18, SLAIN AS THEFT SUSPECT

OAKLAND, Calif., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Fingerprints today identified a burglary suspect, shot and killed yesterday by a cafe proprietor, as Raymond Griffith, 18, a parolee from the Preston school of industry at Ione, Calif. The youth was shot down by V. C. Andrews, 39, formerly of Spokane, Wash. Andrews, who said he lost heavily to burglars in Spokane, asserted he shot Griffith as the latter ran after being caught in the act of trying to break into Andrews' restaurant. (Continued on page 6)

MENUHIN STILL AT OUTS WITH GUILD

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 4.—(AP)—The dispute between Yehudi Menuhin and the American Guild of Musical Artists was no nearer solution today, after the youthful violinist had played the first of his two scheduled concerts with the Los Angeles Philharmonic orchestra. Still refusing to join AGMA, Menuhin took the stage last night and won rounds of applause from an audience which heard him featured in the first of the season's concerts. His program was scheduled to be repeated today. (Continued on page 6)