

THE WEATHER
Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday .55
Highest temperature yesterday .53
Lowest temperature last night .29
Precipitation for 24 hours .9
Precip. since first of month 4.21
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1938 7.89
Excess since Sept. 1, 1938 .0
Unsettled Sunday

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES SLOW DOWN

Editorials ON THE Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THIS writer listened the other day to a short talk by the head of the bank for farm co-operatives in the United States. Among other things, he said:
"We learned early that the co-operatives that had the most done FOR THEM were apt to FAIL, whereas those that did the most for themselves were pretty likely to succeed."

HUMAN nature is human nature, and we see it working out around us all the time.
The child, for example, that is GIVEN EVERYTHING and never has to work for anything too often turns out to be a waster, whereas the child that has to work for everything he gets rather often becomes a thrifty and useful citizen.
"Easy come easy go" is a proverb that contains a lot of accumulated human wisdom.

THE world has come a long way from the savage and the jungle, and nearly all of the progress that has been made has come about as a result of the efforts of those who went out and did things for themselves instead of waiting for somebody else to do things for them.

ALL of which suggests this thought on Thanksgiving day:
"Dear Lord, for the opportunities I have been given to DO THINGS FOR MYSELF I am thankful, and I pray thee that so long as I may live and so long as my children may live these opportunities may not be limited—for I realize that it is only the opportunities that I have been given to do"
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EXTORTION PLOT IN PORTLAND JAILS 3

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 26.—(AP)—Three men were arrested last night by city detectives and FBI agents as the result of what J. D. Swenson, Portland FBI chief, called a \$15,000 extortion attempt against Dr. W. E. Savage, Portland.

They were Alexander Drummond, 28, New York City; William J. Jackson, 21, Stockton, Calif.; and Tony Bogdan, Wisconsin. Swenson said Drummond and Jackson were accused of sending a special delivery letter to the physician Wednesday night demanding \$15,000 and threatening to kidnap himself, his wife or one of their three children if he did not comply. He was to wrap the money in a white parcel and give it to a man at Southwest Sixth avenue and Morrison street Friday night.

Oddities Gleaned From Day's News

How to Hunt—in Wisconsin
NEW LONDON, Wis.—August Bonnin climbed atop a pile of brush near Three Lakes to watch for deer while his hunting partners were beating the brush for him.
The pile of brush heaved, and a growling black bear made tracks for the tall timber. One shot from Bonnin's rifle brought the bear down, and the second killed it.
"Young" Mr. Young
OKLAHOMA CITY—W. L. Young, 84, has young ideas—he's planning matrimony.
Young applied for a license to wed a 72-year-old neighbor "if she'll have me."
"She hasn't exactly said she would yet," he added cautiously.

Nazi Pawnshops Opened to Wring Fines From Jews

Jewelry, Works of Art Will Be Grabbed to Collect on 400 Million Bill.

Ostracism of Jews From German Life Extended By Another Batch Of Decrees.

BERLIN, Nov. 26.—(AP)—German nazis today opened a glorified pawn-brokerage business to help pay the \$400,000,000 fine imposed for the assassination of Ernst vom Rath.

The Berlin chamber of industry and commerce started a bureau on behalf of the economics ministry to take over jewelry, art works and other valuable objects from Jews throughout Germany.

The finance minister reserved the right in collecting the fine to empower finance officials "in suitable cases" to take securities and real estate when later installments come due February 15, May 15, and August 15.

Measures to ostracize Jews continued to pile up.
Indigent Jews, for example, are not permitted under a new regulation issued by the interior ministry to seek aid at public welfare bureaus but must turn to Jewish welfare agencies.

Public welfare authorities were instructed to give aid only when Jewish organizations are unable to make provisions and then only after a thorough investigation.

In such cases Jews will receive the minimum help with whatever aid already has been received taken into consideration, it was announced.

The regulation pointed out that public welfare organizations are (Continued on page 6.)

STRIKE SITUATION IN FRANCE EASED

PARIS, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Government authorities, declaring strikes in northern France "virtually terminated," today disclosed 12,000 striking miners had been mobilized and that all occupied factories and mines had been evacuated without disturbance.

Officials said military and police action had reduced to less than 10,000 the number of strikers and that all had been forced to quit their plants.
Army leaders were summoned to confer with Premier Daladier on measures to cope with the general strike called for next Wednesday by the general confederation of labor. The confederation has 5,000,000 members.

SIT-DOWNERS QUIT CHEVROLET PLANT

DETROIT, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Sit-down strikers who had occupied one plant of the Chevrolet gear and axle division of General Motors Corp. since last night left the plant this morning and the company announced all employees would return to work Monday.

Nazis Impose Ban On Jazz and Swing

BERLIN, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Swing is taboo in Wurttemberg. Nazi leaders in charge of Wurttemberg amusement places declared today that swing may be fit for Negroes and Jews "but not for Germans."

The district of Pommern (Pomerania), following the leaders' suggestion, agreed to ban swing and jazz music after Jan. 1.

Musicians were told they must indulge in no musical aerobatics and must handle percussion instruments "according to the German conception."

WILSON ARRIVES TO REPORT ON NAZIS

Envoy May Not Return to Berlin; Showdown on Aid Plan Sought.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Acting Secretary Welles of the state department said today Hugh Wilson, who arrived here today from his post as ambassador to Berlin, would be assigned to the state department for an indefinite period.

Although no further information was given, it was indicated this action might be preliminary to Wilson's permanent transfer from his Berlin post.

Wilson's recall already has been interpreted in some quarters as a sign of stern presidential disapproval of the latest outburst of Jewish persecutions in Germany.

Informed officials, meanwhile, indicated that Myron Taylor, an American vice chairman of the international committee on political refugees, would seek an immediate "show down" on how many German refugees each government is prepared to receive.

(The former chairman of the United States Steel corporation had passage on the Normandie liner for London where the committee will meet.)

TRAGEDY FOLLOWS STOP SIGN REMOVAL

SEASIDE, Nov. 26.—(AP)—A vandal or souvenir hunter who stole a stop sign from an intersection was hit by a car today for an accident that took the life of Eugene Holm, 7, Cannon Beach, and seriously injured Mrs. A. L. Hoser, Portland.

A car driven by Tom Zettervall, 15, Portland, entered an intersection without stopping. The sign removed, he said he did not realize he was entering a stop street. A loaded log truck and Zettervall's car collided. The boy was thrown under the trailer and killed. A log rolled off onto the car and fractured Mrs. Hoser's skull. Zettervall and another occupant escaped serious injury.

1939 Budget Appears to Be Satisfactory

No Complaints Voiced at Hearing Held Today in Roseburg; Relief Chiselers Hit.

A motion favoring creation of a county-wide weed control district, but without an appropriation of money; general discussion of relief and old age assistance practices; and voicing of criticism of "chiselers" on the relief rolls marked a dull public hearing on the proposed 1939 county budget during the morning hours today.

The hearing dragged as discussions centered around various matters which called forth long and repeated explanations by county officials.

The meeting was called by the county court in compliance with the budget law requiring a public hearing at which taxpayers might enter complaints or recommendations.

Following the usual custom in Douglas county, the taxpayers' league met in connection with the budget hearing, committees from the organization having previously been appointed to consider the various expenditures proposed in the tentative list submitted by the budget committee.

No recommendations were made for budgetary changes in department considered during the morning session, and, it was reported, the league committees had few recommendations to offer.

A general discussion, however, resulted over the budget item for relief and old age assistance, as the total amount proposed is approximately \$11,000 above the sum appropriated in the 1938 budget.

County Judge Huron Clough stated that there is a steadily growing demand on old-age assistance funds, and that this demand, for which an increase allowed (Continued on page 6.)

3 ARIZONA CONVICTS ESCAPE; 4TH SHOT

FLORENCE, Ariz., Nov. 26.—(AP)—One convict was shot and seriously wounded in a bold break from the state prison today in which three other convicts, including Earl Nelson and Debery Thurlow, serving long robbery sentences, escaped over the wall.

Warden John G. Eager said that the wounded convict was G. W. Stewart, serving from one to five years for manslaughter. Stewart, the seriousness of his condition determined, was removed to the prison hospital.

The fourth member of the escape party was Alex Gronick, convicted of forgery and serving from three to four years.

Eager said the escape was accomplished by using a prison-made ladder.

Transfer Of Relief Job To States Looms

Democratic Senators Favor Plan to Let Bi-Partisan Boards Administer Aid Program.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—A proposal that administration of relief be turned over to bi-partisan state boards came from a group of democratic senators today amid reports that President Roosevelt may ask changes in present relief machinery.

Senator Burke (D., Neb.) said that Senator Bailey (D., N. C.) was drafting a bill to decentralize relief and that several democratic senators who have been critical of administration policies had agreed to support it.

Meantime, informed persons said numerous changes in WPA and allied programs were being discussed by Harry Hopkins, the relief administrator, and other administration officials.

They added that nothing definite has been decided, but that there was considerable likelihood some changes would be approved and recommended to the new congress by the president.

New Plan Outlined
As explained by Burke, the Bi-partisan relief commissions in each state to administer relief funds through bi-partisan boards in each county.

The states would be required to contribute toward relief costs and provision would be made for a gradual "tapering off" of federal expenditures as the state became able to take care of their needs.

There already had been indications that relief would be a subject of major controversy in the new congress.

Senator McNary of Oregon, the senate minority leader, said yesterday republicans would concentrate their efforts on turning the administration of relief back to the state and also would demand an (Continued on page 6.)

POPE'S CONDITION REPORTED BETTER

VATICAN CITY, Nov. 26.—(AP)—An official communiqué said today that Pope Pius XI had "returned to a more or less normal condition" after a heart attack which had caused grave concern.

The communiqué read:
"The holy father passed a calm night, resting without any disturbance. The improvement which was noted yesterday evening continued, happily, so that this morning his holiness has returned to a more or less normal condition."

Vatican sources said the 81-year-old pontiff, although still weak, was able to get up from his bed and receive Cardinal Pacelli, papal secretary of state.

Jury Verdict In Prune Suit Favors Hurd

Case Bears Importantly on Form of Agreement Commonly Used in Oregon.

A circuit court jury, after nearly 24 hours of deliberation, returned a verdict shortly before noon today in favor of the defendant, F. A. Hurd, in the suit brought against the local cannerman by R. A. Moore, representing himself and six other growers in demands for additional payments on green prunes.

The jury, which had many difficult problems to consider in the complicated action, found much trouble in arriving at a verdict, and discussed the various issues until nearly noon today before reaching a decision.

Ruling Important.
In returning the verdict for the defense the jury found in a special interrogatory verdict required by the court that there was no increase in market price agreement commonly the affected district.

The action resulted in special interest in view of a ruling applied by Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly in his instructions delivered to the jury. The ruling, if upheld by the supreme court, where it is expected the case will be taken on appeal, will have, it is believed, an important bearing on a type of commodity marketing agreement commonly in use in Oregon.

Judge Wimberly instructed the jury, in effect, that where a contract between grower and buyer contained a release provision, a so-called "riser" clause, in which the buyer agrees to meet any advance in market price, cannot be made retroactive.

What Litigants Claimed
In the suit heard this week in circuit court here, Moore, holding assigned claims as third grower, sought collection of approximately \$650, claiming that Hurd had agreed to buy green prunes (Continued on page 6.)

"TORTURE KIDNAP" CASE GOES TO JURY

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 26.—(AP)—The capital city's "torture kidnapping case" went to the jury at 12:37 p. m., shortly after Special Assistant Prosecutor J. W. Graham asked convictions of three of the four defendants under Washington's Lindbergh law which provides life imprisonment or death by hanging at the juror's discretion.

He asked first degree assault convictions also against the three—Dr. Kent W. Berry, 50, Olympia physician; William McAloon, former night marshal at Montesano, and James Reddish, Olympia taxi cab driver. He said the state would be satisfied with a second degree assault conviction for Robert H. Smith, Brady, Wash., dairy farmer.

They were charged with abducting and torturing Irving Baker, retired coast guard officer, last August 19, on the doctor's accusations Baker forcibly violated his 27-year-old wife, Elizabeth Kevin Berry, during a fourth of July house party at Mud Bay.

SLOT MACHINE RAID NETS 13 ARRESTS

PORTLAND, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Sheriff's deputies and city police last night jointly raided 11 establishments, confiscated 29 slot machines and arrested 13 persons in a move to test the new slot machine law.

"We wanted a test," declared Martin Pratt, sheriff, "since the new law makes my office responsible. Chief of Police Harry Niles and I thought it best we carry out the seizures."

Planners Brand Oregon Highways as "Death Traps"

PORTLAND, Nov. 26.—(AP)—The state planning commission declared in a report today that Oregon's newest and highest standard highways were "death traps," obsolete before they were built.

The commission advocated construction of "freeways," highways built with a minimum of intersections permitting ingress or egress only at provided junctions.

Roadside development along major Oregon highways and unplanned intersections were blamed for the high accident rate.

"Until freeways are made possible for Oregon, the state will be forced to continue to spend vast sums on the construction of highways which are known to be obsolete while they are still being planned," the commission said.

DEATH TOLL FROM STORM REACHES 84

Cold Wave Continues But Traffic Situation Is Greatly Improved.

By the Associated Press
Clearing skies and slowly rising temperatures today speeded the task of mopping up after the nation's worst November storm in years—a tempest of wind and snow that claimed at least 84 lives.

Frigid weather prevailed generally, however, from the east coast to the Rocky mountains. Snow-packed roads remained a menace to week-end travelers, particularly in rural areas.

Airplanes and trains moved again on schedule. Bus transportation was still slowed somewhat by snow drifts in the east, but main highways in all states were open. Communications networks suffered relatively minor damage.

Traffic accidents on ice-glazed streets and deaths due to over-exertion added to the toll of lives. The storm caused 25 deaths in New York, 14 upstate and 11 in the metropolitan area. New England counted 22 dead, New Jersey 12, Pennsylvania 7, the south 5, Ohio 4, Maryland 3, Michigan and Indiana 2 each and Nebraska and Missouri 1 each.

BOY KILLS BROTHER IN PLAY WITH GUN

CLAMATH FALLS, Nov. 26.—(AP)—A bullet from an ancient 22 caliber rifle in the hands of his eight-year-old brother brought instant death yesterday to Leonard Barney, 6, near Yaque river, according to Dr. Peter Galante of Klamath agency, who investigated the tragedy.

Using a shell he had picked up in the yard of the place, the older boy aimed and fired at his brother while they were playing in the bedroom of their grandmother's home, Dr. Galante said. The bullet struck young Leonard in the brain, entering his forehead above the left eye.

Full Control in Another 24 Hours Likely

Fighting Force of 900 Men Kept in Danger District; Loss Estimated at \$5,000,000.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Southern California's destructive brush and forest fires were materially slowed down today, with indications they might be completely under control in another 24 hours.

A fire fighting force of 900 men kept vigil along the seven-mile front of the scattered flames in the Santa Monica mountains. After burning for 72 hours this fire was being corralled.

Ralph J. Scott, Los Angeles fire chief, said he believed "the worst is over" if favorable wind conditions continue and some isolated, unwatched spots do not break out afresh.

Most attention today was being paid to upper Mandeville canyon to prevent the spread of flames from the Santa Monica mountains to the fertile San Fernando valley.

Homes Believed Safe
Lower in the same canyon are numerous expensive homes, but Scott said none was in immediate danger. Three firemen, burned when a blaze trapped them and a truck in nearby Rustle canyon, returned to the lines after emergency treatment.

Only spot fires remained near the seacoast in Topanga and Las Flores canyons, swept during the first day, and county foresters said they were being brought rapidly under control.

The sheriff's office announced, after a survey, that 80 residences in the two canyons and adjacent areas of Las Tunas and Big Rock were destroyed, with a property loss approximating \$150,000.

In the San Bernardino mountains, changing winds enabled workers to start a backfire which, at least temporarily, halted advance of the flames on 4,000 acres in the Crest forest area. Residents who evacuated such communities as Crestline and Pinecrest before the roaring menace yesterday returned to their homes.

Ranch Hand Under Bail
Meanwhile, David E. Reilly, 37— (Continued on page 6.)

LOST CANYONVILLE BOY RETURNS O. K.

CANYONVILLE, Nov. 26.—Uninjured, but suffering from exposure after spending more than 24 hours lost in the rough terrain on the headwaters of Pat's creek, a tributary of the South Umpqua river, southeast of Canyonville, Elmer Munson, 17, Conrad, Montana, a student at the Canyonville Bible academy, returned late last night to the camp from which he strayed Thursday.

Word of his return was brought back to Canyonville by searchers who left for the scene early this morning, after an appeal was received Friday afternoon from Munson's hunting companions.

In company with Ray and Arthur Johnson and Warren Cornelius, also students at the Canyonville school, Munson was camped on Pat's creek for a hunting trip. He left camp for a brief hunt Thursday afternoon and became lost. Companions heard a shot shortly after his departure. They searched for him Thursday night and Friday morning, and then appealed for aid Friday afternoon. Late Friday night Munson found his way back to camp, too late for word to be sent out from the isolated section to the searchers leaving Canyonville early today.

The young man was reported to be nearly exhausted by his experience and the freezing temperature, but suffered no serious effects.

MAN CONFESSES TO SLAYING BROTHER

ALTURAS, Calif., Nov. 26.—(AP)—A coroner's jury after hearing Loren Dees, 55, testify he could no longer stand the actions of his brother and that one or the other "had to die" held Loren responsible yesterday for the fatal shooting Wednesday night of Dannie Dees, 32.

Loren, charged with murder, was quoted by Dist. Atty. Charles Lederer as admitting he killed his brother and as saying he did not wish the county to be put to the expense of a trial.

24 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS