

THE WEATHER
Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 78%
Highest temperature yesterday 34
Lowest temperature last night 24
Precipitation for 24 hours 0
Precip. since first of month 2.18
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1938 9.98
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1938 .87
Rain and Warmer.

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BRITAIN BACKS FRANCE ON TUNISIA STAND

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
GOVERNOR MARTIN, addressing Oregon sheriffs and district attorneys at their convention in Portland, reveals that Al Rosser, labor boss now under 12-year sentence for arson, received \$222,000 in a single year—presumably from dues-paying working men.

Rosser failed to report this rather staggering income, and it was not until Oregon tax authorities traced down his records that he was forced to pay income tax on it.

Along with 18 others, the governor says, he paid up without complaint. Obviously, he didn't want any publicity.

FOR weeks labor big shots from all over the country have been thundering at Oregon's so-called anti-picketing law, which was adopted by the people at the November election by a majority of around 50,000. They are giving the impression that if the law isn't declared unconstitutional, or repealed, or got rid of somehow, Oregon will be read out of the Union.

In view of repeated advice from labor sources to give the Wagner act a thorough trial before even proposing to AMEND it, this far-judicial determination to dynamite the new Oregon labor law before it has had ANY TRIAL, WHAT-EVER hasn't seemed good.

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4 FARM RESEARCH SITES DESIGNATED
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Secretary Wallace announced today selection of Florida, Ill., New Orleans, La., a point in the Philadelphia area and one in the San Francisco bay area for locations of the four \$1,000,000 regional agriculture research laboratories.

The secretary said the locations were decided upon after a study of more than 200 towns and cities. The laboratories, authorized by the last congress, will carry on work in research on agricultural commodities in an effort to discover "new uses" for surplus commodities.

The western laboratory will concentrate on fruits other than apples, Irish potatoes, wheat and alfalfa, with its area including Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

Possible new sources of revenue from agricultural products which were mentioned as research subjects included the manufacture of starch from potatoes, alcohol motor fuel from corn and highway surfacing from cotton.

November Vote Comparisons Show Extent of Republican Party Gains
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A country-wide compilation showed today democrats polled 49 per cent of the vote for members of the house of representatives in the November 8 election. Republicans received 47.5 per cent, and minor party candidates 3.2 per cent.

The democratic figure fell from 60.2 per cent of the party's presidential vote in 1936 and 52.4 per cent of the vote for representatives in 1934.

The tabulation, compiled primarily from officially-certified returns, showed the 1935 vote for representatives aggregated 35,815,720. This was the largest ever recorded in an off-year election. Democratic candidates received 17,528,681 votes, republicans 17,129,557, and other candidates 17,127,082.

Gains Compared
Republicans achieved their greatest gains in the east and midwest, polling 51 per cent of the vote in both sections. In 1936, they received only 40.4 per cent of the presidential vote in the east, and in 1934 they polled 42.2 per cent of the vote for representatives. In

German Convicted of Taking Pictures of Canal Zone Forts; Three Others Awaiting Trial

Defenses No Secret, One Lawyer Says

Details Available to Any Nation for Cash, Claim; California Arrests Alleged Spies.

CRISTOBAL C. Z., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Hans Heinrich Schackow, 26-year-old German steamship company employe, was convicted today of photographing Canal Zone fortifications. It was the Canal Zone's first espionage case. A federal court jury deliberated about two hours before reaching the verdict of guilty.

Schackow is one of four young Germans accused. The others—Ingeborg Waltrunt Gutman, 19-year-old girl secretary; Gisbert Wilhelm Gross, 26, and Ernst Robert Edward Kuhrig, 29, are to be tried later. All were arrested October 16 at Fort Randolph, which defends the Atlantic entrance to the Panama canal.

During Schackow's trial military officials testified he took several pictures that would be useful to foreign governments. Before the jury was the statement of Defense Counsel C. P. Palmann, that "there is not a single construction or equipment for defense purposes in the Canal Zone details of which is not now in possession of any foreign government desiring the information and willing to pay."

Dist. Atty. Joseph J. McGuigan in his summation asserted Schackow, and three other young Germans arrested with him at Fort Randolph and to be tried later, passed easy-mark sentries and took pictures to be used against our country, naturally for the country of which they are natives and from whose consul they take advice.

Schackow will be sentenced December 22 when a motion by defense counsel asking a new trial will be heard. Kuhrig's trial was set for January 4. The others will be continued on page 6.)

BASKETEER DIES OF HEART ATTACK

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 14.—(AP)—A fatal heart attack struck down 18-year-old Gene Crank last night on a basketball floor, being on an abrupt and tragic end to a doubleheader between Bloomington and Clinton, Ill. cage teams.

The youth, a Bloomington forward, sank to the floor at the start of the second quarter in a preliminary game between the "B" teams of the two schools.

Unaware he was in a serious condition, players carried him to the dressing room and returned to the game. He was dead when physicians arrived.

Excited Over Big City
The children were so excited they could scarcely talk today as they explored the neighborhoods of their new homes with their uncles, aunts and cousins in the Bronx, the United Press reported in a dispatch from New York.

The younger children had never seen the big city before. They were born after their parents moved west. Even the oldest, Magliana, 14, who was taken to Mercy hospital with a ruptured appendix, three days after the parents' death, but who now is almost well, re-

Danish Nazis Freed As Plot Suspects

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Police arrested and quickly released four Danish nazis today after an intense but fruitless investigation of a suspected plot to kidnap Premier Stauning.

The four men were arrested in a car filled with Nazi pamphlets outside the premier's suburban villa shortly after midnight. Some hours later police freed them, asserting they were unable to prove the existence of a plot.

The authorities said, however, that all were well known to police and one was released from prison only yesterday after serving a term for a political offense.

Police said the car in which the four youths were arrested belonged to a man implicated in a nation-wide foreign espionage plot uncovered last month.

At that time three Danes and nine foreigners were arrested. Several of the latter were expelled.

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ROSEBURG ORPHANS REACH N. Y. CITY
7 Moore Children Greeted by Relatives, Who Will Care for Them.

ROSEBURG orphans no 5 p 1
The seven children left orphans when their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Moore, were killed in an automobile accident at Deady, north of Roseburg, October 22, were in New York today, to begin a new life in the great city, where they will be cared for by uncles and aunts, according to news stories carried by the various press associations.

Spy Activity Held Menace To America

Sabotage Machine Plan of Aliens, Prober States; Dies Would Deport Nazis, Fascists.

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FRAUD CHARGE HITS INVESTMENT FIRM
Fidelity Assn. Accused by Securities Commission of Illegal Sales.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The securities commission announced today it had filed a bill of complaint charging Fidelity Investment association, a company which it said had sold \$500,000,000 in securities to the public, with fraudulent practices.

The complaint, which was filed in federal district court for the eastern district of Michigan, asked the company be enjoined from selling securities in violation of federal and state laws.

Carni A. Thompson of Cleveland, president of the association and a former treasurer of the United States, commented on the announcement that "our company is supervised by the various state agencies where we do business, and we have enjoyed a tremendous growth within the last few years."

"We are not registered under the SEC," Thompson said, "but this agency has nevertheless been investigating us along with practically all other investment concerns and I presume have concluded that they should in some measure regulate our activities."

The company has 58 district offices in leading cities throughout the country. The main office is in Wheeling, W. Va. The commission's bill of complaint said about 60,000 purchasers throughout the United States have sent and are continuing to send in their monthly payments regularly to the company through the mails.

Jobless Pay Holds Against Picketing Ban

Two Acts Distinct, Ruling of Atty. Gen. Van Winkle as Labor Launches Legal Battle.

SALEM, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Attorney General I. H. Van Winkle ruled in an opinion today the anti-picketing law approved at the November election neither modified nor replaced any part of the state unemployment compensation law.

He held the two laws were separate and distinct measures and that the unemployment compensation statute defined in detail conditions under which unemployed may obtain compensation.

The unemployment compensation commission asked the opinion in connection with applications filed by jobless who refused to accept work where there was a strike or a lockout.

"It is my opinion," Van Winkle said, "that the unemployment compensation law of Oregon contains an absolute prohibition against the denial of benefits to an otherwise eligible individual for failure to accept a position which is vacant due to a strike or a lockout and that such position is, by statute, not suitable work."

A copy of the opinion was sent to the social security board in Washington for use in a hearing January 19 to determine whether the anti-picketing law conflicted with the unemployment compensation law.

Report Corrected.
At the same time Assistant Attorney General Ralph E. Campbell said reports he and T. Morris Dunne, chairman of the state unemployment compensation commission were to appear before the social security board in defense of the law were "misleading."

"Dunne and myself will represent," Campbell said.

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CHINESE CONTINUE TO REPORT GAINS
SHANGHAI, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The Chinese reported today they had recaptured the village of Sintang, 20 miles southeast of Yenchow, straightening their lines through the mountains from Tanghai lake to the southern tip of Hupeh province, 100 miles southwest of Hankow.

The Chinese have reported steady progress on this central China front ever since they started their counter-offensive several weeks ago to drive the Japanese from Hunan province.

Fighting along the Kiang-Nanchang railway southeast of Hankow continued, meanwhile, with the Chinese making nightly raids across the Su river against Japanese outposts.

Dispatches from Chungking, China's provisional capital, meanwhile, quoted Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek as stating that China was more confident of ultimate victory now than at any time since the war started.

The present moment marks the conclusion of the first period of hostilities whereas the second is only beginning," he was said to have told a meeting of his highest commanders. "Hereafter the Japanese will have to engage the Chinese in mountainous areas instead of operating on level plains."

OREGON COLD EASES WITH RAIN LIKELY
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Freezing temperatures prevailed in Oregon today but at slightly less intensity than yesterday.

Burns 10 degrees above zero was the lowest severe of the reporting stations but even this was four degrees above the previous minimum. The temperature dropped a degree below freezing here yesterday but today's minimum was 33.

Sportsmen To Back River Closure Move

Douglas Council, However, Debates Plan for Sale of Salmon Caught by Trollers.

The Douglas County Conservancy council a group composed of representatives from all sportsmen's clubs of the county, had under consideration today a proposed bill which would prohibit net fishing on the Umpqua river but would allow the sale of the legal limit of salmon taken on troll. The council will, it was reported, endorse a river closure bill, either of the type suggested or completely eliminating commercial fishing, and also a bill to make the steelhead a game fish and prohibit netting and sale.

Supporters of the plan to permit sale of salmon taken on troll contend that such provision would permit a larger escapement of salmon, would spread benefits from sale to a great many residents instead of to a small group of commercial fishermen at the mouth of the river and provide an opportunity to many residents of the county, particularly farmers along the course of the stream, to obtain a small income at a time when agricultural work is at a standstill. Opponents insist that the measure would be extremely difficult of enforcement.

Sentiment at the meeting of the council last night was divided over the proposed closure, some of the members contending that the fishermen who take salmon on troll should have the right to sell their legal catch and that such provision would not destroy the established industry but would permit a greater number of people to benefit. At the same time, it was contended, due to conditions of water, temperature, etc., resulting in periods when fish will not strike the various lures, a greater percentage of salmon would reach spawning beds than under the present system of net fishing regardless of the number of trollers.

It also was contended that under the present system the benefits

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Ruth Etting Weds Man Her Ex-Mate Allegedly Gunned
LAS VEGAS, Nev., Dec. 14.—(AP)—In a swift-moving accompaniment to the trial in Los Angeles of her former husband, Martin Snyder, for attempted murder, Miss Ruth Etting was married here today to Myrl Alderman, her former pianist whom Snyder is accused of shooting.

The ceremony took place in the chambers of Judge William Orr, immediately after the ceremony the party left for the airport to return to Los Angeles in their chartered plane.

The Rev. C. H. Sloan performed the ceremony.

Ruth Etting gave her age as 37, residence Los Angeles and recorded a divorce granted in Chicago Nov. 20, 1937. Alderman gave his age as 30 and said he was divorced in Los Angeles a year ago.

Car Tears Telephone Lines Near Roseburg, Comes to Rest on S. P. Tracks.
A stolen automobile, pushed over a 75-foot bank onto the Southern Pacific tracks a half mile south of Roseburg last night, tore down the railroad telephone lines and halted company communication south of this city for several hours.

The automobile, registered to Herbert Savage, Glendale mill worker, was stolen from Glendale late yesterday evening, according to police authorities.

The thief, Deputy Sheriff Clifford Thornton reported, apparently stopped the car at the highway cut immediately east of Roseburg, where the road overlooks the railroad tracks and the South Umpqua river. The car evidently was pushed over the bank with the expectation that it would plunge into the river, the officer said. Instead it struck on its wheels, bounced high into the air, tearing out telephone lines, and remained on the tracks.

Fred Lehner of Bend, Oregon, camped near the scene, saw the crash and immediately reported to state and county police officers, who rounded up a group of suspects all of whom were released after questioning.

The automobile, a 1934 Chevrolet coach, was completely demolished.

OPENING PRICES ON TURKEY TRADE SET
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Opening prices set by Northwest and California cooperatives created an easier situation for the turkey trade in this section today.

The California Turkey Growers' association quoted both the Los Angeles and San Francisco prices at 25 cents for toms and 27 1/2 for hens. The Northwestern Cooperated quoted San Francisco delivery at 25 cents for toms and 27 1/2 for hens. Handlers estimated it required 4 cents a pound for freight and packing.

Hint To Italy Comes From Chamberlain

Prime Minister to Confer With German Financier Despite Nazi Snub of His Speech.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain served notice in the house of commons today any Italian aggression toward French Tunisia would be a "matter of grave concern" to the British government.

He made the statement in reply to a question whether "undertakings in respect to the status quo in the Mediterranean as embodied in the British-Italian agreement applied to Tunisia."

While he spoke, anger grew in parliamentary circles over an unusual Nazi rebuff last night when German diplomats and newspapermen boycotted a dinner at which Chamberlain spoke.

Simultaneously Dr. Hjalmer Schacht, president of the German Reichsbank, arrived in London for economic talks.

London diplomatic and political circles took a serious view of the German ambassador's boycott of Chamberlain's speech at a Foreign Press association dinner here last night, although German officials in Berlin professed not to be greatly disturbed by the incident.

Chamberlain's rebuke to the Nazi press for its "vituperation" of Earl Baldwin, former prime minister—called a "guttersnipe" by a Berlin paper—caused the envoy and other Nazi representatives who knew of it in advance to stay away from the dinner.

Despite Nazi rebuff reports to Chamberlain, a Berlin foreign office spokesman said the speech did not disturb the general line of appeasement along which Chamberlain and Chancellor Hitler embarked.

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In that fashion Hitler would be invited to step in, these quarters reasoned, on the basis it was the will of the people of Memel.

The Fuehrer has troops handy in the strongly-manned garrisons of Tilsit and Koenigsberg, in adjoin-

9 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS
Illustration of a man and a woman with text: 'COULD YOU FOR JIMMY'