

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 29%
 Highest temperature yesterday 81
 Lowest temperature last night 57
 Precipitation for 24 hours — .0
 Precip. since first of month — .59
 Precip. from Sept. 1, 1938 — 25.64
 Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1938 7.53
 Fair.

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LENDING BILL GIVEN KNOCKOUT IN HOUSE

Arkansas Justice: \$50 Fine for Wearing Shorts



Despite a decision at the courtroom hearing, above, 19-year-old Mrs. Grace Alexander, right, says she'll wear shorts "until the supreme court says I can't." Her attorney, Everett Johnson, background, motioned for appeal after Mayor J. H. Cowell, left, presiding at the hearing, had fined her \$50 for parading in shorts on the streets of Nettleton, Ark. (pop. 750). City Attorney Eli McGowan faces the mayor.

EDITORIALS on the DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

MUSSOLINI, 56 years old today (Saturday), ADMITS H. For years, he has ignored his birthday, choosing to think of himself as one whom age CAN'T TOUCH.

He is discovering, as all who have gone before him have discovered and all who will come after him must discover, that there are NONE whom age can't touch. Human beings are just human beings.

DUCES, fuchers, emperors, kings, big chiefs—call them selves what they will—they all have to grow old and they all have to die. And the TRUE MEASURE of their greatness (if any) is what ever added happiness and opportunity they have brought to COMMON, ORDINARY people.

Measured by that standard, few despots have been great.

JOHNNY CURTIS, 16, of Santa Rosa, found in the street the other day a wallet containing \$2,000 in cash and the name of the owner.

Being honest, Johnny returned the wallet. The grateful owner gave him a nickel, told him to "go buy himself an ice cream cone" and pledged him not to reveal his identity.

It's hard to believe, but there (Continued on page 4.)

U. S. Bomber Sets CARRYING RECORD

DAYTON, O., Aug. 1.—(AP)—The United States claimed a world record for airplane performance today in a department of highest importance in military aviation.

As the army air corps prepared for tomorrow's observance of the 30th anniversary of the first purchase of a military plane, Wright field officers disclosed a superb bomber had carried a payload of 15 tons to an altitude of 8,300 feet. The previous mark of 6,500 feet (2,000 meters) with a load of 25,000 pounds, or a little more than 14 tons, was made by a Russian plane Nov. 20, 1936.

Major Caleb V. Haines and Capt. W. D. Old piloted the flying fortress which itself weighed 21 tons. Loaded with sand and water, it took off in a cross wind and in only 45 seconds was in the air.

EXTENSION OF CCC APPROVED BY HOUSE

New Expiration Date Set at July 1, 1943, in Bill Sent to Senate.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—A bill extending the life of the civilian conservation corps until July 1, 1943, was passed by the house yesterday and sent to the senate.

The labor committee previously had set July 1, 1945, as the date, but Chairman Norton said republicans objected that before that time conditions might be so changed as to make the corps unnecessary.

Under existing law the CCC is scheduled to expire Dec. 31, 1939.

The house also passed and sent to the senate yesterday a bill to extend for another year—until January 1, 1942—preferential status of public bodies and cooperatives to contract for not less than 50 percent of the electric energy produced at Bonneville dam, in Oregon and Washington.

The measure also would authorize the appointment, without regard to civil service laws, of an assistant administrator and chief engineer of the project at a salary of \$7,500 a year. Secretary Ickes had recommended a \$9,000 salary, but the house rivers and harbors committee cut the amount \$1,500.

The senate also received today a measure approving in the house yesterday appropriation of a \$5,000,000 judgment awarded the Klamath Indians against the federal government.

Distribution of \$2,500,000 would provide each member of the tribe with \$100 in cash and \$500 for land, buildings, home improvement and general capital investments.

Acting speedily on the recommendation of its accounts committee, the house appropriated \$50,000 today for an investigation of the national labor relations board.

SHOCK FATAL IN RIVER ACCIDENT

McMINNVILLE, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Explosion and shock suffered by Malcolm Johnston, 18, Salem, when he was thrown into the Willamette river and sucked under a big raft last week, took his life yesterday, coronor Glen Mayr reported.

Mayr said the teen apparently had been knocked from a boat into the water by a swinging cable and pulled under the raft. He suffered a broken leg.

WORLD WAR BULLET IS FINALLY FATAL

YREKA, Calif., Aug. 1.—(AP)—A world war bullet killed Nelson Wick, 51, Scott valley Indian, yesterday.

The missile lodged so close to the brain and spinal cord physicians dared not attempt to remove it, although the wound healed.

FUGITIVE BATTLES PORTLAND POLICE

Robert Mix, Discovered in Stolen Car, One Officer Receive Wounds.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Robert R. Mix, 26, accused of twice breaking jail at St. Helens, Ore., was shot and seriously wounded last night when cornered by four Portland detectives.

Detective Leonard Shaffer was wounded in the left forearm. Detective W. L. Brian, who shot Mix three times, said the officers encountered the fugitive in an automobile, reported stolen here yesterday, near a northeast Portland house.

Mix, Brian said, ran to the front of the house firing on Shaffer and Detective A. W. Hickman. He circled the house in an attempt to gain freedom through the back yard but Brian blocked his path and fired six shots.

Mix climbed to the roof of an adjacent house built on a lower street level, leaped into the lower yard and fled but later staggered into a nearby fruit store and was captured.

Brian said Mix was wanted for questioning on car theft charges here and for escape at St. Helens. He was arrested there on larceny charges last winter and broke out of the supposedly escape-proof jail on December 21. He was recaptured but again escaped June 1, Brian said. The officer added Mix had a criminal record here and in other western cities.

At Good Samaritan hospital the wounded man denied he shot Shaffer, claiming he did not have a gun. "If I'd had a gun I wouldn't be here," he boasted.

"JITTERBUG" DANCE DECLARED DOOMED

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—(AP)—An early demise for "Jitterbug" dancing was predicted today by leaders at the 56th annual convention of the Dancin' Masters of America.

Leroy H. Thayer of Washington, D. C., president, said most of the delegates believed both old and young folk are getting tired of the "jumping dances" and "acrobatic steps."

"The consensus is that the old ballroom dances are coming back, but with a faster tempo," he said. "I believe the revival of feminine fashions of the 1920s is influencing the movement."

DRUNKEN DRIVER FINED AND JAILED

S. N. Miller, of Vancouver, Wash., arrested last week on a charge of drunken driving, following an automobile collision at St. Stephens and Lane street, was fined \$120 and sentenced to 30 days in jail here today. Miller, who pleaded innocent, was convicted following a hearing this morning before Justice of the Peace R. W. Martens.

STRIKES AFFECT WIDESPREAD ZONES

Fisher Plant Hums Despite C. I. O. Siege

Troopers Restore Order in South Barre, Mass.; N. Y. Drivers, West Coast Butchers Strike.

By the Associated Press
 Strikes and threatened strikes affecting nearly 25,000 persons with serious trouble zones centered in Cleveland, O., and South Barre, Mass.

In the Atlantic seaboard mill town, steel-helmeted state troopers patrolled the streets as the community's selection for the state's selection of the plant's 1,000 employees were on strike.

Troopers cleared the streets, breaking up sporadic fist fights, after a crowd of 3,000 had assembled outside the gates of the Barre Wood Combining company. About 200 of the plant's 1,000 employees were on strike.

The strikers, members of an A. F. L. union, sought higher wages and reinstatement of four employees, who the employers charged walked out when given a reassignment of work.

Fisher Plant Operates
 In Cleveland, where tear-gas shells and brick-throwing clashes between police and some 5,000 to 6,000 C. I. O. strikers and sympathizers injured 46 yesterday, police established a "riot zone" outside General Motors' Fisher body plant where nearly 300 heaviest workers spent the night.

Tickets banned into flying squad patrols as police cleared the trouble area, but non-striking employees entered the plant this morning without incident.

Paul E. Miley, C. I. O. executive strike board member, charged the restricted zone was "a violation of civil rights."

Mayor Harold H. Burton said no request for troops was contemplated.

The Fisher plant has operated at a curtailed rate for the past three weeks of the strike, called by local and day makers of the Cleveland Auto Workers union to enforce demands for a supply.

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New Highway Job To Start Next Monday

State Engineers Will Map Change in Route From Grants Pass North to Canyonville.

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Beginning the task of breaking down the mountain barrier separating California and southern Oregon from the Willamette valley, a state highway engineering crew will set up its headquarters here Monday.

Their work, which may take as long as a year, is to select a new route for the Pacific highway from Grants Pass to Canyonville, a present distance of 50 miles.

When the work is completed, the project will be ready for letting of contracts.

H. W. Libby, chief locating engineer for the state highway commission, and A. A. Kirkwood, locating engineer, made the announcement to James Bromley, district maintenance engineer, today.

Kirkwood will head the party of 13 highway experts, mostly from Portland, who will select the best from alternate routes designated by reconnaissance surveys made 180 years ago.

The estimates at that time, covering the entire distance to Roseburg, were about \$6,500,000 for the Grants Pass-Canyonville section.

Plans Outlined
 The engineering crew is to run preliminary lines, choose between them, and then map out the actual new highway route and set stakes every 100 feet. All curves, fills, cuts, tunnels and culverts will be outlined in the detailed specifications to make them ready for contract bidding.

The first section they will map out will probably be from Grants Pass to Grave creek, just north of Sexton mountain, Bromley said.

A standard "class A" highway is contemplated, which would remove hundreds of the curves on

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American Investments in China Cut Heavily by Two Years of Warfare

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—America's stake in China has been whittled down by two years of war, an unofficial survey showed today, but its importance appears to have been increased by the administration's determination on a stronger stand in relations with Japan.

American investments, number of citizens and armed forces in China have all declined during the undeclared Sino-Japanese conflict.

The basis for comparison is a letter which Secretary Hull wrote Vice President Garner Jan. 8, 1938, in response to a Senate request for information on America's position in China Aug. 9, 1936, when trouble broke out in Shanghai.

Hull then put American investments at \$132,000,000. Officials say they now are \$98,000,000. He added to this total about \$400,000,000 of Chinese obligations in default since the world war. Their present value is only a small fraction of

this figure. Hull placed at \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 the value of properties of American citizens permanently residing in China. The present value is well below the smaller figure, officials estimate, owing to Japanese interference with American business there.

Missions' Value Cut

The 1938 letter gave \$40,000,000 as the value of American mission properties. Officials say it is less now because of the aerial bombings of mission properties, some of which have been wiped out.

The number of American residents in China at the outbreak of the war was about 10,500. On Jan. 1 this year, there were 7,214, not including the marines. There are also 1,228 in the British crown colony of Hong Kong.

The number of American diplomatic officers in China, nearly 80, has not declined.

POISON MURDER PLOT HITS FAMILY

CHICO, Calif., Aug. 1.—(AP)—A possible effort to kill Deputy Game Warden William Price, 38, and his wife and four children, by putting poison in the Price family well, was reported today by District Attorney J. M. McPherson.

The illness of four members of the family, diagnosed as poisoning, launched the investigation. None was in a serious condition.

Price, who holds a one-dollar-a-year job as deputy game warden at Colusa, northeast of Chico, told authorities he thought someone had a grudge against him because of his strict enforcement of the fishing and pheasant and deer hunting laws.

A chemical analysis of water from Price's well showed traces of arsenic, the district attorney said. Price, his wife, and two of their children, Charles, 7, and Betty, 16, became ill after returning from the well on the family's return from a vacation trip.

"It looks like a serious case, but it's hard to trace anything like this," the district attorney said. "Almost everybody in Colusa has arsenic sprays in their orchards."

YOUTH BURNED AT GRASS FIRE HERE

Kenneth Shrum, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Shrum of Roseburg, suffered severe leg burns Monday when his cowboy play suit was ignited at a grass fire. The youngster joined a crowd engaged in fighting a small grass fire at the north city limits, and sparks set fire to the fringe of his cape.

His screams brought immediate assistance, but deep burns were inflicted on both legs before the fire in his clothing was extinguished. He was rushed to the office of Dr. George E. Honick, where the injuries were treated.

RABIES FROM MOUSE BITE KILLS YOUTH

METROPOLIS, Ill., Aug. 1.—(AP)—A mouse bite proved fatal today to a 14-year-old boy, a laboratory analysis revealed rabies resulted from the bite.

SON OF REGISTER GEO. FINLAY DIES

Richard N. Finley, son of George Finley, register of the U. S. land office in Roseburg, died at the hospital in Coquille Monday.

World War Veteran
 Mr. Finley, who was 45 years of age, was born at Crawfordsville, Ore., July 6, 1894. He was enlisted for several years prior to the World war in the regular army and saw service on the Mexican border. He reenlisted for the World war period with the Oregon national guard and saw service overseas for 19 months, serving as a sergeant in an infantry company.

He was a member of the American Legion and of the Baptist church. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lavina Finley, Coquille; his father, and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. George Finley of Roseburg; three stepchildren, Mrs. Margaret Brodie and Mrs. Geneva Morton, Alaska, and five sisters, Mrs. Althea James, Portland; Mrs. Ruth Muske, Crawfordsville; Mrs. Lola Campbell, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Maud Turnbow, Eugene, and Miss Georgia Finley, Coquille.

The body is to be brought to Roseburg and services will be held at the Douglas funeral home at 2 p. m. Wednesday. Rev. J. B. Pratt officiating. Burial will take place in the veterans cemetery. Graveyard services will be conducted by Uniqua post of the American Legion.

44 MISSING AFTER MOTOR BOAT UPSETS

MANILA, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Forty-four persons were missing today after a motor boat operating between Sana and Loyter islands overturned in a heavy sea. There were 80 persons aboard the motorboat when it turned over.

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AILING WAR VET SLAYS WIFE, SELF

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Three horror-paralyzed children found their mother chopped to death with an ax and their father's throat slashed in a two-room apartment at 2517 S. W. First avenue, today.

Detectives H. Horack and Al Eichberger said Charles Brant, 42, recently released from a World war veterans' hospital, killed his wife, Annet E. Brant, 25, and committed suicide by severing the arteries in his neck and wrist with a butcher knife and razor blade.

The youngsters, Grace, 9, Charles, 8, and Jimmy, 5, were asleep in the room with their mother when the father wielded the long-handled ax, Eichberger said.

Eichberger learned Brant suffered from diabetes and was scheduled to enter the hospital again today.

He reported Brant had a grown daughter in Toledo, Ore., and a son in Hawaii by a former marriage.

BRITISH WARPLANE DEATH TOLL HIKED

LONDON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Three royal air force fliers were killed today when two planes collided and fell into the North sea near Loughmouth.

Fishermen who saw the crash found the men trapped in their machines.

Since January 1, 1939, 175 men have died in 103 R. A. F. crashes.

Where Roosevelt Archives Will Rest



Future historians doing research on the Roosevelt administration will dig through 6,000,000 books, documents and manuscripts housed in the building above, after it is completed. The architect's sketch shows how the Franklin D. Roosevelt library will look when it goes up a year hence on 12 acres of Hyde Park, N. Y., land given to the U. S. government by the Roosevelts. The library is to be constructed with privately subscribed funds.

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