

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 33%
Highest temperature yesterday 83
Lowest temperature last night 55
Precipitation for 24 hours 0
Precip. since first of month 0
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1938 25.64
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1938 7.2

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GERMAN SOVIET ACCORD STARTLES EUROPE

EDITORIALS on the DAY'S NEWS

FROM high FRANK JENKINS
F is being given to the people of America:
"Spend everything you make."
SAVE NOTHING.
"Spend makes business good."
Savings piles up capital to be invested in more factories, more machinery, more of the facilities for production, thus adding to the supply of goods and increasing the problems of distribution and disposal.
THOSE who are giving this advice say that America has reached a matured economy.
By "matured economy" they mean that growth has ended, that population is slowing down, that we have done all the big things that need doing. The free land is all gone. The deserts are all reclaimed. All the new and radical inventions that revolutionize human life, causing us to discard what we have and start in all over again (such as the automobile) have been made.
All that remains is to keep things going.

IN other words, the United States of America, up to now the wonder nation of the earth, has lost its youth and its zip and its go, and must now settle down to the staid ways of living long since adopted in Europe—where the thrill of creative achievement is dead and war is the only remaining excitement.

IF that is true, it is no longer necessary (from the standpoint of national policy) to save up more capital than is required for re-

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FATHER ACCUSED OF CHAINING 2 SONS

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Accused of chaining two sons by their necks and imprisoning two daughters in a closet, an unemployed father of a close child was summoned to city court today.

Superintendent J. W. Henry of the Humane Educational society arrested the man yesterday and had him put in jail, where he was booked as Jess C. H. He was charged with "inhuman treatment."

The superintendent said he found 5-year-old Nathan Cline and his brother, Henry, 6, chained to small beds. The chains were fastened around their necks and wired to bed posts.

Two sisters, Minnie Frances, 9, and Jeannette, 8, were imprisoned in a closet half filled with quilts and bedding. Superintendent Henry asserted, "A hole beside the door, barred with laths, provided the only ventilation."

Henry declared the children were kept thus for eight hours yesterday and "had been chained on many previous occasions."

G. O. P. May Force Democrats to Nominate 1940 Candidate First

By WILLIAM B. ARDERY
WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Republicans may try a waiting game to reverse custom and force Democrats to nominate their 1940 presidential candidate first.

With but one exception since the civil war, the Democrats have enjoyed the strategic advantage of holding the presidential convention after the Republicans had written their platform and chosen their national ticket.

The exception was in 1888, when the Democrats met on June 5 and nominated Grover Cleveland. The Republicans, meeting on June 18, nominated Benjamin Harrison.

Some Republican politicians said today Chairman John Hamilton of the party's national committee might seek to delay selection of a convention date until after the Democrats have fixed theirs.

These persons said that, by hold-

Douglas Fires Controlled In Humidity Rise

Valuable Timber in Elktown Area Glimped by Flames; State Conditions Said Improved.

Douglas county fire fighters enjoyed a breathing spell today, as higher humidity Monday afternoon enabled crews to gain control over fires in the Paradise creek section in the southern part of the county.

Two groups of incendiary fires on Paradise creek, three miles northwest of Elktown and an equal distance north of the Drainheadport highway, crowded through 1,500 to 2,000 acres of timber lands. Fred Southwick, supervising warden of the Douglas Forest Protective association, reported. The fire destroyed much good timber held by private owners as well as on county-owned O. and C. lands, Southwick said.

Patrol Maintained
The entire area was trenched last night and many fire fighters were being released from the fire lines today. However, large patrol crews are being left, and guards are being maintained at strategic points in the hope of preventing the incendiary if attempts are made to set out more fires. The fire patrol association and county court have joined in offering rewards totalling \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons willfully setting out forest fires.

The Shively creek fire in the Upper Days creek country, a flare-up from an old blaze, was easily subdued and is burning itself out within new bounds today, Southwick said.

FOREST FIRES OUTLOOK
IN OREGON IMPROVED
PORTLAND, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Oregon's forest fire outlook improved today as cool weather and rising humidity gave 5,000 fire fighters assistance in curbing the most widespread conflagrations since 1933.

The gigantic Tillamook fire, estimated at 200,000 acres, burned to within a mile of the Meadow Lake club last night and pumps were rushed by Frank Beal, operator of the \$50,000 club development, to protect buildings. Private sportsmen own the club.

The fire annihilated the headquarters camp of the Flora Logging company at an estimated loss of \$300,000. Twenty buildings, 10 dormitories and other logging equipment burned.

Several sections of government-owned timber outside the Siuslaw national forest were threatened in the same area, 12 miles north of McMinnville.

Trask-Williamson logging camp holdings in Tillamook county, pro-

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SUIT FOR SLANDER HITS JACKIE COOGAN

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Jackie Coogan has his first size leading role and a \$25,000 defamation of character suit to think about today.

A Hollywood night club hula dancer, Mary Luana Wallace, charged she "repeatedly turned down Coogan's undesired attentions," after which "he became angry and insulted her on numerous occasions, and sought to blacken her name and reputation."

Specifically the dancer, billed as "Princess Luana," accused him of exclaiming in a cocktail bar that she was "stepping out" with his stepfather, Arthur L. Bernstein.

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At Biggest Sale of Private Utility



As a U. S. citizen, you're now part owner of the Tennessee Electric Power company's \$78,000,000 properties, following this scene, which shows the country's largest sale of a public utility. While E. E. Nelson (center), secretary of the Commonwealth and Southern corporation looks on, Wendell L. Wilkie (left), the company's president, accepts a \$44,728,300 check from TVA Power Director David E. Lilienthal, acting for the purchaser—Uncle Sam.

TRANSFER GIVEN TO ROBERT H. MERCER CONFERS AT SALEM

Umpqua Forest Engineer Assigned to Work in Columbia Forest.

R. H. "Bob" Mercer, for the past three years in charge of engineering for CCC camps on the Umpqua national forest has been transferred to the Columbia national forest, with headquarters in Vancouver, Wash. It was announced today by V. V. Harpham, supervisor of the Umpqua forest. Mr. Mercer and his family have departed for Vancouver to take up their residence.

Mr. Mercer, a resident of North Bend prior to becoming associated with the forest service, produced a complete map of the coast range country between Roseburg and Coos bay—a map which still is the most detailed in existence.

For three years he was engaged in engineering in connection with CCC camps on both the Umpqua national forest and O. and C. lands, and for the past three years has been employed exclusively with the forest service as junior engineer. In this connection he has been working principally upon the North and South Umpqua road projects, has designed and constructed numerous bridges, and engaged in numerous other forest engineering projects.

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IRATE HOUSEWIFE SHOOT 2 WOMEN

WYTHEVILLE, Va., Aug. 22.—(AP)—With a pistol concealed in a paper bag, a middle-aged housewife opened fire on the main street of this southwest Virginia town and wounded two women, one of whom Sheriff W. C. Kinser said she had twice accused of intimacies with her husband.

Kinser said after the shots fell on Janie Pauley, 26, and Mrs. Elbert Shelton, 26, the mother, Mrs. Early M. Wright, wife of a former Wythe county deputy, was shot two blocks to the county jail yesterday and calmly informed officers of the shooting.

MAINE CLOUDBURST TAKES THREE LIVES

WEST BALDWIN, Me., Aug. 22.—(AP)—A cloudburst left three dead and a swath of destruction in southwestern Maine villages today.

A 30-foot wall of water, pouring down from White Mountain foothills after two small dams had given away, swept six Hiram residents off a road culvert and into usually-blued Breakneck brook, west of here, late yesterday.

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Foe of Jews Testifies At Dies Inquiry

Silver Shirts' Failure to Get Hall in Los Angeles Recited; Link With Nazis Denied.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(AP)—A witness before the Dies committee testified today the Silver Shirts organization was denied use of auditoriums in Los Angeles when it was openly active there from 1932 to 1935 because it was attacking "Jewish communism."

The statement was challenged promptly by Rep. Voorhis (D-Calif.), who declared "the reason you couldn't get a hall was not because you were attacking communism but because you were attacking the Jews."

The witness, Henry D. Allen of Los Angeles, gray-haired, explorer of mining lands in Mexico, described the aim of the organization as being to "rid the federal government of Jews and communists" and he said he still was in sympathy with its objectives.

"Most of the auditoriums in Los Angeles are owned or controlled by Jews," Allen declared.

"We had to use a false name to get our people together and when the Jews learned that it was to be a silver shirt meeting, the use of the hall was cancelled."

Voorhis Contradicts
"Surely you don't mean to imply," Voorhis put in, "that speakers against communism can't get halls in Los Angeles. I live in that community and I know that. That isn't the reason you couldn't get a hall was not because you were attacking communism but because you were attacking the Jews."

"We could get plenty of halls as long as we didn't identify the Jews with communism, but the moment we told the truth about them, we couldn't get a hall," Allen responded.

Allen, a native of Worcester, Mass., said he was attracted to the Silver Shirts organization, headed by William Dudley Pelley of Asheville, N. C., because he believed it was "engaged in fighting Jewish communism."

Denies Nazi Link
He said he met Pelley at a Silver Shirt meeting at the German house in Los Angeles in 1935, but he denied there was any direct connection between the Silver Shirts and the friends of New Germany, predecessor to the German-American bond.

However, members of the two organizations often attended each other's meetings, he said, and lists of "recognized groups" and some individuals "combating Jewish communism" was circulated at meetings of both.

The Silver Shirt meetings were abandoned, Allen said, after a congressional committee made an investigation in Los Angeles. The witness said he then took an active part in the formation of the American White Guard.

This organization, headed by an army reserve officer who since has

New Indictee in Louisiana's Mess

Abraham L. Shushan, above, former president of the New Orleans levee board, who was indicted by the federal grand jury at New Orleans August 21 with four other persons on charges of using the mails to defraud. The indictment concerned an Orleans levee board refunding action in which Shushan allegedly received \$132,740.

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Ready for Canning Season



F. A. Hurd, Roseburg canneryman, is pictured above displaying the label under which 1500 tons of Umpqua valley prunes will be canned this season under a semi-cooperative agreement with 56 growers. Mr. Hurd has greatly increased the capacity of his plant in preparation for the season, and has employed more than 200 persons, who will work three daily shifts of 7 1/2 hours each during the next few weeks. Deliveries of prunes will start this week and the cannery will open next Monday morning.

TORRENTIAL FLOOD RAVAGES TIENTSIN

Property Damage Runs Into Millions; Suffering of Population Intense.

TIENTSIN, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Flood ravaged this great north China city today, taking a heavy toll of life and causing property damage running into millions of dollars.

Angry waters of the swollen Hai river rushed through Tientsin. An area extending some 10 miles north and south of the city was flooded. It was the greatest flood disaster in Tientsin's history. But many feared the worst was yet to come.

There had been hopes that because rain ceased in the immediate area of Tientsin the flood crest would be reached today. However, the waters continued to rise slowly, fed by continuing rains in the interior watershed which the Hai drains.

Refugees by the thousands streamed into Tientsin from the submerged areas. There was intense suffering among the city's 1,500,000 residents.

Fires Add to Horror

The Japanese concession was under water—in some places 10 to 15 feet deep. Houses collapsed. Through the night, the sky was red from fires which burned huge sections of buildings to the floor line. Fires also raged in the native areas.

The British and French concessions were submerged to depths up to 15 feet. The central station of the Peking-Mukden railway was submerged partially.

The American community was as waterlogged as any American marines, whose barracks are on the southern edge of the British concession, lost a two-day battle to hold back the waters with sandbags and retreated to upper floors, taking their livestock with them. The American consulate also took up emergency quarters in the marine compound.

ANNENBERG FACES FRESH TAX CHARGE

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—(AP)—M. L. Annenberg, millionaire publisher, and six others were charged by a federal grand jury today with conspiracy to defraud the government of \$137,720.36 in taxes, penalties and interest on the income of the Chas. Annenberg Publishing company, a radio news service.

The 43-page indictment, covering the years 1929 to 1936 inclusive, was returned by the same grand jury which August 11 accused Annenberg, publisher of the Philadelphia Inquirer, of failing to pay \$5,548.84 in income tax, interest and penalties.

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Aggression Against Each Other Taboo

Agreement Made as France and Britain Seek Link With Russia Comes as Big Surprise.

(By the Associated Press)
Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany started Europe today with a decision to conclude a non-aggression pact at a time when Britain and France were seeking a mutual assistance accord with Russia.

In a Europe already tense over the issue of the Free City of Danzig, the suddenness of the development threw statements into confusion.

Germany's foreign minister, von Ribbentrop, will arrive in Moscow tomorrow for the negotiations, which were announced last midnight in the homes of rival ideologies.

An informant in Rome, Berlin's axis partner, reported the pact would contain three main points—a pledge by each country to abstain from aggression against the other; an undertaking by each to remain neutral if the other were attacked by a third party; and a provision that in case either commits an act of aggression the other may demand the accord.

France stood in a state of alert with an unestimated number of reservists added to the standing army of 700,000 as the import of the Russian-German action was being weighed.

Follows Trade Pact
So far as Russia and Germany were concerned, the development followed a long process. It was conducted at St. John's hotel by Dr. Alex. Jones, James Graham and Henry Ashauer.

The patient began the treatment last Thursday. For five days he lay unconscious in an ice-packed porcelain bed, his temperature lowered to 86 degrees, 12.6 below normal.

X-ray pictures of the cancer growth will be made several days hence. Not until then, Dr. Jones said, would the results of the experiment be known. The physicians said the man, whose name was withheld, apparently suffered no ill effects from his "hibernation."

The "frozen sleep" cancer treatment is based on the idea that refrigeration retards the growth of cancerous tissue. It was developed at the Temple university school of medicine at Philadelphia. No cures have been claimed for the method but Drs. Temple Fay and George C. Henry of Temple university have reported favorable results in relieving pain and reducing the size of cancers.

The patient today told physicians he felt refreshed and had no recollection of pain. The man's first request was for a cup of tea, his first nourishment since Thursday. Later he took orange juice.

Dr. Jones related that two hours after the patient regained consciousness he said:
"I feel good but I can't see real well yet."

Three men were shot and numerous others bruised today during a disturbance at the Dairy-men's League milk plant here which had been picketed by sympathizers of a dairy farmers union strike.

Deputy Sheriff Lyle A. Jones said the shooting occurred as a milk truck driven by Frank Rice, Hillsboro, N. Y., was entering the plant.

Taken to Rome, N. Y., city hospital were Roman Charny, Booneville, and Russell Assent, Lyons, Pa., described by the deputy as pickets. Hospital officials said Charny was shot in the abdomen and Assent in the leg.

Marvin Fox, employed at a tennis racket shop next door to the plant, was wounded in the shoulder.

Jones said fifty or sixty pickets rushed the truck and dumped its milk. A 15-minute skirmish followed during which stones were hurled and shots fired. Spectators and farmers were bruised when struck by the missiles.

Hiding in the truck with Rice were his owner, Glen Marsh, Gerald Flowers, Earl Niles, Michael Owens and Michael Wafer.

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