

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 66%
Highest temperature yesterday 54
Lowest temperature last night 44
Precipitation for 24 hours35
Precip. since first of month 2.27
Precip. from Sept. 1, 193913.18
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1939 2.27
Occasional Rain.

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BRITISH PLANES RAID GERMAN SEA BASE

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That's the prediction for the anti-lynching bill, passed by the house and sent to the senate, where previous bills of like character were slain. The fight will be important, involving as it does democratic party harmony. The NEWS-REVIEW will keep you advised.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

STRAWS in the war wind:
1. King Carol, reviewing his troops, planes and tanks at Chisinau, capital of Bessarabia, 12 miles from the Russian border, says: "Bessarabia will ALWAYS REMAIN RUMANIAN BY FORCE OF OUR ARMS. (Bessarabia was taken from Russia by the peace treaty and given to Rumania.)
2. The commander of the troops reviewed by Carol responds: "Our whole army, from the first man to the last, is ready to defend our EASTERN (Russian) border."
3. Russia, Ukrainian and German minority leaders publicly swear allegiance, for themselves and their followers, to King Carol and Rumania.

WHAT these straws indicate is this:
Rumania, watching Stalin's bogged-down Finnish campaign, is saying: "Stalin ISN'T SO HOT. If he can't take back Finland, he CAN'T TAKE BACK Bessarabia."

OLIVER CROMWELL, building an army of commoners to oppose King Charles and his cavaliers, said to parliament: "I'd rather have a captain in plain russet."

Oregon Red Admits Passport Frauds

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Nicholas Dozenberg of Bend, Oregon, one of five communists indicted in the government's investigation of fraudulent passports, pleaded guilty today in federal court.
He was indicted on charges of misuse of two passports obtained through false representations. Sentence was postponed until January 17.
Arrested in Bend last month, he was described by U. S. Attorney Cahill's office as a native of Riga, Latvia. He is 55 years old and was naturalized Feb. 6, 1911.
Cahill's office said Dozenberg gave his naturalization papers in 1921 to Earl Browder, general secretary of the communist party in the United States. On these papers, it was charged, Browder obtained a passport to travel to Russia.
Cahill said Dozenberg was prominent in the party until 1928 when he suddenly dropped out of sight. Later he was found living in Washington, D. C., with his wife under the name of Nicholas Dallant.
Also under indictment are Browder, Robert William Weiner, financial secretary of the party; Isaiah Irtchakoff, and Harry Gannes, columnist and foreign news editor of the Daily Worker, communist organ.

Roosevelt Indicates Taft Failed to Win Prize for Budget Balance Plans

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—While President Roosevelt and Senator Taft (R., Ohio) continued their argument over government economy, Budget Director Harold D. Smith said today the federal agencies reorganized by the chief executive last summer cut 5,006 employees off the payroll in six months.
Smith said, however, that the total civilian personnel of the government increased 9,470 to 937,337 from July 31 to Nov. 1 because of additions in agencies connected with national defense and neutrality.
Taft Draws Reply
Mr. Roosevelt cited figures yesterday to show a program outlined by Senator Taft (R., Ohio) for balancing the multi-billion dollar budget would save only \$8,000,000 yearly.
That would include, he said, the elimination of the national plan-ning board, which he contended would save the government a lot of money in the long run, and the disaster loan corporation, which he pointed out spent most of its money in Ohio flood relief.
The president had offered a "handsome prize" to Taft, a candidate for the republican presidential nomination, if he could show how to balance the budget, Taft

Anti-Lynching Bill Passed By House

Death Held Certain When Senate Acts

Southern Group Ready to Kill Measure by Filibuster if Necessary; Defense Fund Proposal Introduced.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—A federal anti-lynching bill was passed today by the house and sent to the senate where a strong southern bloc already had threatened, if necessary, to talk it to death.
The house vote was 251 for passage to 132 against.
House approval came after the representatives had stricken out a provision which would have eliminated from the definition of lynching those crimes of violence occurring in connection with labor disputes.

Senate action on the bill appeared improbable because a group of southern senators, headed by Senator Connally (D., Tex.), have announced their intention of blocking the measure if it comes up for consideration there. In past years similar bills repeatedly have been killed by senate filibusters. The most recent instance was in 1938.
The labor provision said the term lynching should not be construed to include "violence occurring during the course of picketing or boycotting or any incident in connection with any labor dispute."
An amendment which its author, Representative Colmer (D., Miss.), said would extend the anti-lynching act to "gang murders" was rejected by a vote of 53 to 105.

Defense Bill Offered.
The house passed the session's first money bill from its appropriations committee. The measure provides \$267,197,908 for the army, navy, coast guard and federal bureau of investigation to use during the next six months in strengthening neutrality and defense protections.
The whole outlay was proposed under the president's proclamation of a state of limited national emergency at the start of European war.
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Pasquale Franco Dies At Umpqua Park Home

Pasquale Franco, 74, well-known resident of Umpqua park, Roseburg, for 21 years, died suddenly at his home yesterday. He was born in Italy in 1865.
Surviving is his widow, Mrs. Angeline Franco, of Roseburg, and eight sons and daughters: Mary Franco, Portland; James Franco, San Francisco; Frank Franco, San Francisco; Patrick Franco, Los Angeles; Mrs. Larry Conway, Warren, Montana; Pete Franco, Roseburg; Louis Franco, San Francisco; Violet Franco, Roseburg. He is also survived by a brother, Don Franco, Kallispel, Montana.
The body has been removed to the Douglas Funeral home and funeral arrangements will be announced later upon receipt of word from relatives.

Senator Hits Back

The presidential rejoinder came at a press conference yesterday, with every indication that he was not ready to award the prize. Taft quickly retorted with a statement saying:
"The truth is, of course, that Mr. Roosevelt does not want to balance the budget."
"The president has picked out some of the examples I gave of billions which might be eliminated but says that they only total \$8,000,000 which, in new deal style, he considers to be nothing."
"He says nothing of the 75,000 extra employees of the department of agriculture; of the extra \$1,200,000,000 he has added to the federal payroll; of the savings of \$375,000,000 which I pointed out could be effected in relief; or any of the other more important items."
His program, Taft said, would balance the budget in two years at about \$7,000,000,000.
Meanwhile, Mr. Roosevelt disclosed that new steps to reorganize the government are in prospect this year. They are expected to raise the savings in administrative costs to about \$25,000,000, he said.

Kellogg Man Held For Slaying



Pictured above is Bill Taylor, 76, Kellogg farmer, held in the county jail in Roseburg, following the slaying Monday night of his friend and neighbor, George Kingston, 53. The homicide, reported by officers to have followed a drinking party, was discovered in time to prevent Taylor from committing suicide. He had prepared a note telling of his act and of his decision to end his own life.

Forestry Service Transfers Made

Diamond Lake and Redwood Jobs Affected; M. Nelson Moved to Roseburg Office.

A three-way transfer of forest service employees, effective January 16, was announced today. Harold R. Bowerman, district ranger at Diamond lake, is to move to the Siskiyou forest. Marion M. Nelson, from the Siskiyou forest, is to come to Roseburg, and Leroy Garwood, of the Siuslaw forest, is to become Diamond lake district ranger.
Mr. Bowerman has been employed for three years as ranger for the Diamond lake district, with headquarters at Big Camas during the summer months. He has been employed at the Roseburg office of the Umpqua national forest during the winter season. He is being transferred to the Redwood ranger station of the Siskiyou national forest and will be located near Cave Junction.
His successor in the Diamond lake district, Mr. Garwood, has for the last two years been in charge of fire control on the Siuslaw forest. He has rented the Dr. E. H. Stewart residence on Moore street.
Mr. Nelson has been employed as district ranger at Redwood ranger station for the past three years. He is to serve as a staff member at the Roseburg headquarters of the Umpqua national forest, and will probably be in charge of timber sales, recreational and other activities. He has rented the home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coen on South Stephens street.

Cap-Pistol Robber Waits For Police to Jail Him

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 10.—(AP)—An armed man entered a filling station last night, held up attendant George Skoda, 25, and forced him to hand over \$28.
Then the gunman sat down, waved his weapon and ordered Skoda to call police.
The jittery attendant phoned, and amid prompting by the gunman, gave an account of the hold-up and a description of his visitor.
Police arrived, found the gun an unloaded cap pistol.
Hustled to jail, the man refused to give his name, answered questions with "I want to amuse myself."

Coalition Attack Possibility Eyed

U. S. Couldn't Easily Defend West Hemisphere From 'Have-Nots,' Stark Says.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The navy's chief of operations asserted today the United States navy could not defend the western hemisphere "comfortably" against a coalition of the "have-not" powers.
Appearing before the house naval affairs committee, Admiral Harold Stark said the navy has come to consider a coalition attack as a possibility because "the international political situation is quite different from what we conceived it might be two years ago."
Stark discussed the situation in response to a question by Rep. Mott (R., Ore.), who asked whether the United States could defend the hemisphere against a coalition of Germany, Italy, Spain, Japan and Russia, which he described as "the so-called have-not powers." He said the navy could not defend the hemisphere "comfortably."
Stark added "with the size of navy we have now, the nation might be hard pressed to protect the Atlantic coast from Maine to southern Brazil, and the Pacific as well."
"We might have to sacrifice southern Brazil for the time being," he declared.
The coalition, he said, is one possibility "that we should be prepared to meet as long as we see any danger in that direction."
He also said an attempt of any additional foreign power to establish naval bases in this hemisphere "should be viewed with grave concern."

Motor Vehicle Funds Give Douglas \$53,000

Division of Oregon motor vehicle fund receipts for 1939 gave Douglas county \$53,000, according to an announcement today at the office of the secretary of state. The year's receipts totaled \$14,233,609, including \$10,271,167 from gasoline taxes, \$2,959,667 from motor vehicle registration fees, \$979,116 from motor carrier fees and \$23,657 from fines.
A total of \$2,234,676 was distributed to counties, the remainder being used by the highway commission for construction and maintenance of roads and for payment of principal and interest on bonds.

Aged Kellogg Slayer Tells Fight Story

Bill Taylor Claims Kingston Mistaken for Robber, But Autopsy Contradicts Him, Authorities Declare.

Douglas county authorities are endeavoring today to piece together the events which resulted Monday night in the death of George Kingston, 53, of Kellogg at the remote cabin home of his slayer, Bill Taylor, 76, District Attorney J. V. Long said today. The shooting, Long said, apparently occurred during a drinking party. Taylor, his mind still affected by over indulgence in fortified wine when he was brought to the county jail at Roseburg last night, was unable, Long said, to give officers a coherent account of the tragedy.
He insisted the district attorney said that he had engaged in a struggle with an unrecognized assailant who had awakened him from sleep and demanded his money.

What Autopsy Shows
An autopsy performed today by Dr. Joe Beaman of the Oregon Medical school, indicated that Kingston was shot through the head with a .22 calibre rifle held against his forehead, apparently while he was seated asleep or in a stupor on the edge of a cot in Taylor's home, according to Deputy Sheriff Clifford Thornton.
From Taylor's incoherent statements.

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Slueth Loses Suit for Fee as Divorce Aide

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The suit brought against Henry J. (Hob) Topping by a private detective for \$5,235 he claimed the tipster he owed him for obtaining divorce evidence against Topping's first wife, Jayne Shaduck Topping, was dismissed today in federal court.
In dismissing the suit, Judge Galston also ruled out a claim for \$235 expenses sought by the plaintiff, Harold Mayhew.
Mayhew had claimed Topping promised him a \$5,000 bonus, "plus expenses," for obtaining evidence of alleged misconduct on the part of Topping's first wife, actress and aviatrix, now Mrs. Jane Durant.
The plane struck the ground about 20 yards from the L. L. Covey home, Hardison landed about 100 yards from the plane.
The ship, a two-place observation plane, was demolished.

Beesemyer to Begin Life Anew



Gilbert H. Beesemyer, who was sent to Sag Quenten for embezzling eight million dollars, leaves under parole after serving nine years five days of a 40-year term. Many stockholders who lost money in his speculations at the Guaranty Building & Loan Co. in Los Angeles opposed his release. Under parole condition to leave the state, Beesemyer is said to be headed for a job in Chicago to make a fresh start in life. His funds upon leaving prison amounted to \$35.48, most of which he earned as a convict.

War Job Taken Amid Protests



A storm of protest arose when Oliver Stanley, above, replaced Leslie Hore-Belisha as Great Britain's war secretary in a major cabinet shakeup. He now is responsible for the entire army operation. Formerly he was trade secretary. Ouster of Belisha, who was credited with important reforms in the British army, was ascribed to the enmity of older army officers, resenting alleged favoritism to younger men.

City Celebrates Swat at Unionism

Shoe Corporation Employees Attest Loyalty to Head of Endicott-Johnson Co.

JOHNSON CITY, N. Y., Jan. 10.—(AP)—All plants of the big Endicott-Johnson Shoe corporation closed today as a majority of 15,000 workers who yesterday rejected unionization, 5 to 1, left their benches and swept through the streets in celebration.
The vote was 1,612 for affiliation with the American Federation of Labor; 1,079 in favor of a Congress of Industrial Organization union, and 12,693 for no affiliation.

As the celebration gained momentum, with parades, backfiring automobiles and much shouting, merchants of this city, once rechristened Johnson City in honor of George F. Johnson, 82-year-old head of the firm, closed their establishments and joined in the fun.
Johnson, for whom special prayer services have been conducted by Protestant ministers, Catholic priests and Salvation Army workers, remained seriously ill of pneumonia in a hospital.
Charles F. Johnson, Jr., vice-president and general manager, commenting on yesterday's vote under direction of the labor relations board, declared:
"The policies of the company have been proved sound. They couldn't shake the loyalty and faith of the workers in George F."

Before the vote was announced last night, agents of both the CIO and AFL announced they were considering a protest because of "anti-union" demonstration.
Frank McGrath, New York City CIO organizer, viewed the result with gloom. "Talk about Harlan, Ky.—this town is different but just as tough," he asserted.

George F. Johnson, who began work as an \$18-a-week shoe worker in Hinghamton, pioneered in employee profit-sharing. He provided community stores, free libraries, parks, and other facilities for employee use. Last year he was given the Forbes award as "the man who had done most to humanize business."

Injured Miner Rescued Over 370-Ft. Rope Span

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Jan. 10.—(AP)—Rescuers brought Ray Fountain, injured gold miner, to a hospital here last night after crossing the swollen Illinois river via a 370-foot rope bridge.
Fountain, struck by a rolling boulder Monday, suffered a broken leg and crushed ribs.
A miner named Carlson in the rescue party solved the crossing by twirling a weighted fish line across the raging stream. Fountain's partner, Fred Voight, pulled a rope over with the line and the makeshift bridge was fashioned.
Fountain had been isolated from medical attention for more than a day because the high water made it impossible for rescuers to cross the stream.

Sylt Island Area Bombed, London Says

Three of 9 Attacking Planes Downed, Germans Assert; Large British Liner Cut In Two on Hitting Mine.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The air ministry announced tonight that rocket air force planes had dropped bombs near the German island of Sylt while "on patrol" over enemy seaplane bases last night. The announcement failed to mention whether the British planes met any German opposition.

(Germany announced, however, that three of nine invading British planes had been shot down over Helgoland light in the early afternoon.) Helgoland light, an arm of the North sea, contains numerous important German sea and air bases. Danish reports of heavy firing and glimpses of searchlights before dawn had indicated there was aerial fighting near Sylt.
The air ministry said damage to Danish property near the frontier was reported in Copenhagen dispatches.

"Should it be established that British aircraft were responsible for damage, full restitution will be made the Danish government," the ministry declared.
The 1,000-ton British steamer Uppminster was disclosed to have been another victim of German air raids on British shipping yesterday when at least 12 vessels were attacked.

Three of the Uppminster's crew of ten were killed.
Survivors said they were machine-gunned when they took to lifeboats. The damaged steamer, however, was kept afloat by her ballast.

Western front fighting remained slight. "Somewhat livelier artillery activity" was reported by Germany while the French said German hand grenade attacks on two isolated posts west of the Vosges mountains had been repulsed.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The British air force carried the war to Germany's shores today in an outburst of renewed air and sea warfare coming only one day after Prime Minister Chamberlain's warning grim days are ahead.

The British sent warplanes over Germany's northwest coast in what they called reconnaissance flights and "security patrols" over German mine-laying bases in the Frisian Islands.
This followed a sudden bomb and machine-gun attack by German warplanes upon 12 ships in British coastal waters yesterday. The German communiqué asserted eight vessels were sunk. The British acknowledged the sinking of only two.

The admiralty announced the 1,985-ton British vessel Oakgrove was sunk with an undetermined number of casualties after an attack from the air, and the 658-ton British steamer Cowrie also went down. About 20 of the Oakgrove's crew were believed to have landed.

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G. O. P. Heads Date National Meeting

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Continuing to jockey with democratic officials over 1940 campaign arrangements, the republican national committee was called today to meet Feb. 16, when it will set a date and place for the party's national convention.

The democratic committee will make similar decisions Feb. 5 under a recent notification by National Chairman James A. Farley. Thus the republicans, if they wish, can hold their convention after the democrats have assembled. Although this would depart from custom, a number of party leaders have advocated the change on the theory it would give the republicans the strategic advantage of knowing the democratic candidates and platform.

From the present outlook, it appears both conventions will take place later in the summer than usual—probably in mid-July. The announcement of the republican committee meeting said party rules require at least four months' notice of the convention date, which would make June 16 the earliest possible time.
Chicago has been mentioned most frequently here as the probable site of the republican convention, while prominent democrats have talked of Chicago, Philadelphia or San Francisco.