

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:20 p. m. yesterday 67
Highest temperature yesterday 53
Lowest temperature last night 43
Precipitation for 24 hours .975
Precip. since first of month 2.17
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1939 16.73
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1939 3.73
Partly Cloudy

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POLITICS

That will be a major topic of interest from now until the November election. The NEWS-REVIEW will keep you informed of all principal developments, local, state and national.

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INDICTMENTS HIT CHRISTIAN FRONT GROUP

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE house passes the farm appropriation bill after reducing it sharply below the president's budget estimates. It now goes to the senate.
House members, elected every two years (this is the year), evidently fear the public WANTS ECONOMY and may be in the mood to defeat congressmen who fail to vote for it.
Senators, elected every six years, are easier in their minds, and a hard fight will be made in the senate to restore the spending items slashed out by the worried house.
Election years are tough years to be in congress.

It won't do, of course, to do all the cutting on agriculture. If a good job is to be done, ALL THE SPENDERS must be treated alike. But let's not forget that if reckless spending isn't reduced, this nation will be in sooner or later for its first real trouble.

IN trying to understand the tangled Balkan situation, which for the moment is the hot spot in the news, remember that out of the first world war Rumania got a slice of Bulgaria, a slice of Rumania and a slice of Hungary. She is now trying to hold all this against the countries that want it back.

Hence her talk about flying in to Germany's arms if she is pushed too far by her Balkan neighbors.

ON Wednesday, Takao Saito, a member of the Japanese diet (parliament), criticized the army's conduct of the war in China and asked a lot of embarrassing questions. On Friday he RESIGNED FROM HIS PARTY.

In totalitarian countries, that's

Cactus to Campus, a Daily Trip



Hopping from the desert region around Palm Springs, Calif., to University of California at Los Angeles is a daily stunt for Marjorie Gibbs, who has her own plane, and regularly flies from home to school. She's 18, soloed at 16.

New Dealer Wins Contest For Congress

Michael Edelstein, Tammanyite, Beats Browder and G. O. P. Judge at Election; Ohio Parties Name Candidates.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Michael Edelstein, a Tammany democrat, overwhelmingly defeated his republican and communist opponents yesterday in a special election for congress and termed his victory "a triumph for President Roosevelt and his policies."

His vote in the lower Manhattan district for the office vacated by the death of Representative William L. Stroh, was 12,962 against 6,665 for Municipal Court Justice Louis J. Lefkowitz, republican, and 3,911 for Earl Browder, American communist leader.

Browder had said he didn't want to go to Washington anyway—that Federal Judge John C. Knox had "suggested" he go to Atlanta penitentiary for four years, and "so far as the company is concerned I think it would be just about as good there as in Washington."

Browder was convicted January 22 of passport fraud. He did not vote yesterday because, although his office is in the district, his home is in suburban Yonkers, and because his conviction deprived him of the franchise.
Edelstein pledged support of the new deal and was described by other party leaders as having the blessing of President Roosevelt.

REPUBLICAN VOTE TOPS
DEMOS IN OHIO PRIMARY
COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 7.—(AP)—The names of Ashbrook and Bolton were entered again today for Ohio district congressional elections.
Both relatives—one a nephew, the other a widow—of Ohio congressman who died in office, they were nominated in Tuesday's special.

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Mother Hurt in Leap From Bridge Freezes to Death

McKEESPORT, Pa., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Mrs. Mary Pavlovic, 29-year-old mother, broke her back, right leg and right arm in an 80-foot plunge from a bridge then froze to death as she lay helpless on the ice-covered Youngbush river. Detectives said she apparently had jumped from the bridge seven hours before her body was found yesterday.

2 Transients Lose Lives In Train Mishaps

One Unknown Man Found Dead Near Reedsport, Another on Railroad Tracks in Drain; Both Mangled.

Southern Pacific trains crushed the lives of two unknown transient men in Douglas county within the last three days. The first tragedy occurred near Reedsport, sometime Monday, the second at Drain today.

The body of the victim at Drain was found on the railroad tracks in that town about 11:30 a. m., shortly after the departure of a northbound freight train, according to reports received here. Local officers left at noon to make an investigation, while from the railroad office here it was reported that orders had been issued to stop the freight train at Cottage Grove in order that any transients riding on the train might be questioned in an effort to establish the identity of the dead man.

According to meager information received at the sheriff's office here, the transient evidently had been thrown under the wheels while trying to board the train as it moved out of the station. The body was said to be badly mangled.
Coroner H. C. Stearns, accompanied by state policemen and sheriff's deputies, left at once for Drain to make an investigation.
At Cottage Grove officers will seek a possible partner of the dead man and also look for a bedding roll or other articles which might be used for the purpose of identification.

REEDSPORT, Feb. 7.—(AP)—An unidentified man, who lay on a railroad right-of-way all night with one leg severed and the other crushed, died as help arrived yesterday.

He was discovered by Southern Pacific Track Inspector A. V. Bauteista Tuesday morning, but succumbed from loss of blood and exposure as he was being lifted on to a speeder. Bauteista said the man probably fell under a passenger train that left here at 5 p. m. Monday.

Efforts to identify him here failed, and his fingerprints were sent to Washington, D. C.

Florida Launches Drive on Gambling

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 7.—(AP)—The federal bureau of investigation has joined hands with Florida prosecutors in a drive to stop gambling at the height of the lower east coast's winter tourist season.

Three suits to close alleged gambling establishments in this area—the preliminary step in a drive backed by State Attorney General George Cooper Gibbs—were based on information furnished by FBI operatives.

This link of federal and state enforcement agencies developed a few hours after FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover's testimony before a congressional committee, describing the Miami area as an underworld mecca, was made public.

The first step in the new anti-gambling drive struck three resorts in south Broward county, about 15 miles north of downtown Miami. The establishments were named as The Farm in Hallandale and the F. W. Bar and the Pine Inn in Hollywood.

The state asked circuit court to enjoin the night clubs from gambling operations.

Additional Loans to China, Finland Favored

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The senate foreign relations committee approved today an increase of \$100,000,000 in the capital of the export-import bank in order to provide additional loans of \$25,000,000 each for Finland and China.

The committee vote was 12 to 6. Majority Leader Barkley (D., Ky.) said the senate would consider the legislation tomorrow.

Actress Divorced and Re-Wed in Few Minutes

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Edna Best, petite English actress, obtained a divorce here today from Actor Herbert Marshall and a few minutes afterward was married to her agent, Nat Wolff.

Attacks Cost Soviet 20,000 Men in Week

Finns Also Destroy Tanks and Planes in Repulsing Foe; Pressure for Full Aid to Finland Mounts in France.

HELSINKI, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Today's Finnish army communique stated that the Russians have lost 1,500 dead in the last few days in fighting at Kuhmo in north Finland, where the invaders have been making repeated efforts to advance.

Northeast of Lake Ladoga, the Finns said, the defenders dispersed an entire Russian ski battalion, killing 300 men.

It was estimated unofficially in Helsinki that the red army has suffered well over 20,000 casualties on all fronts during the past week, with at least 5,000 killed and wounded in the Summa sector of the Karelian Isthmus alone, where the Russians launched a new offensive a week ago.

Soviet Tactics Fail
On the Karelian Isthmus, said the communique, the Russians failed yesterday in attempts to carry infantry troops into battle on sleds drawn by tanks. The Finns said they destroyed or put out of action 20 tanks during the day.

The Russians were reported to have attacked between Hatjalahti and Summa, with all attempts unsuccessful.

"The enemy launched four attacks during the day, supported by tanks, but was beaten back each time with heavy losses," the communique said.

In air fighting the Finns said they shot down six red planes and one barrage balloon.

The Finnish army reported Russian infantry were massed on the Summa front but that the red army, still hammering on the front where the soviet campaign started Nov. 29, were unable to break through.

Finns were apprehensive that machine-guns dropped from parachutes behind their lines might provide a new war menace. A few red soldiers descended that way yesterday in the far north, the Finns said, and aerial scouting activity which might presage further parachute incursions was noted.

FRENCH CLAMOR FOR FULL AID TO FINLAND INCREASED

PARIS, Feb. 7.—(AP)—A popular movement in France to sweep the government into "complete" aid for Finland in her war against Russia assumed steam roller proportions today.

The authoritative newspaper Le Temps devoted both its editorials to aid for Finland, asserting this

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Woman Beaten to Spoil Looks Granted Divorce

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Mrs. Lois Wagner, 22, former child player in Buster Brown comedies in silent films, was granted a divorce yesterday after she told the court that her husband, Roy, beat her to make her less attractive to other men.

Finnish Relief Worker, 'Angel of Siberia' Dated for Radio Broadcast from Roseburg

Mrs. Elsa Brandstrom Will be Heard Friday in Plea for Aid for Distressed Nation; Visit Here to be Brief.

Douglas county residents will have an opportunity Friday to hear and meet Mrs. Elsa Brandstrom Ulich, pictured at right, who will visit Roseburg under the auspices of the American-Scandinavian foundation in the interests of the Finnish relief fund.

Mrs. Ulich will be heard in a radio broadcast from station KNRN from 12:15 to 12:30 p. m. An informal reception at the lobby of the

Urgency of Finn Relief Need Told to Red Cross

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Dr. H. A. Spencer cabled Red Cross superiors from Helsinki today that Finnish hospitals were crowded with wounded Finnish and Russian soldiers, and that a "minimum of 25,000 beds is immediately needed for civilian relief."

Umpqua hotel until 2 p. m. will follow.

Born in Sweden, Mrs. Ulich now is a resident of Cambridge, Mass., where her husband is a professor at Harvard university. Known as "The Angel of Siberia," for her work among prisoners during and after the world war, she is the only woman to whom the king of Sweden, has presented the medal of the Serafin order. Her portrait in mosaic adorns the famous town hall of Stockholm. She holds honorary doctorates from three universities in medicine, law and theology.

Deeply interested in the welfare of Finland, Mrs. Ulich is donating her services to the cause of Finnish relief, and her present speaking tour in Washington, Oregon and California, has the official approval of the Swedish and Finnish legations at Washington, D. C., as well as the Finnish relief committee, headed by former President Herbert Hoover.

She will come to Roseburg from Eugene and will leave at 2 p. m. to speak at an evening meeting in Grants Pass.

Due to the limited time she will have to spend in Roseburg, the



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Mrs. Ulich is reported to be a woman of outstanding personality, and those who have heard her are extremely interested in her talks on Finland and her enthusiastic appeal for aid to that hapless nation.

She will remain at the Umpqua hotel until 2 p. m. and any persons interested in meeting her personally or securing information on the Finnish relief cause are invited to meet with her between 12:30 and 2 o'clock.

Conspiracy Against U. S. Govt. Charged

Military Training With Plan to Use Armed Force for Creation of Dictatorship Alleged by Federal Jury.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Seventeen members of the Christian Front arrested by federal agents three weeks ago, were indicted by a federal grand jury today for seditious conspiracy and conspiracy to commit offenses against the United States government.

J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, whose agents rounded up the 17, said at the time of their arrest they had plotted to commit acts of terrorism in the hope of establishing a dictatorship in the United States.

The indictment charged that between Jan. 1, 1939, and Jan. 15, 1940, the defendants conspired among themselves and with other persons unknown "to overthrow, put down and destroy by force, the government of the United States and did wilfully and unlawfully, knowingly and feloniously conspire, plan, combine, confederate and agree together and with each other and with others unknown persons to the grand jurors unknown . . . to seize, take and possess property of the United States . . . contrary to the United States code."

Gave Military Training
The indictment further alleged that the defendants, who were active members in control of an organization known as the Action Committee and other organizations, would "influence and incite" others to join with them in bringing about the overthrow of the government.

The indictment alleged the defendants conspired to obtain explosives and other weapons and military equipment to further their aims.

It also charged the various members "recruited and enlisted, armed, equipped and gave military training, fire arms training, and instructions in terrorist methods" in order to bring about their purpose.

It was alleged the members conspired to steal personal property of the United States, such as ammunition and explosives, for conviction on the count charging seditious conspiracy is 6 years in prison and \$5,000 fine.

On the other count, conspiracy to commit an offense against the United States, in this instance the stealing of government property, the penalty is 2 years in prison and \$10,000 fine.

Beverage Co. Plans Plant in Roseburg

A modern bottling plant will be installed in Roseburg in the near future by the Willamette Beverage company, distributors for Peninsula in the southern Oregon district, George Neale, local representative, announced today.

Mrs. G. E. Smith of Springfield, manager of the distributing company, has purchased bottling equipment, and expects to open the Roseburg plant late in March or early in April, Mr. Neale reports.

"We have been distributing our product in the Roseburg area for more than a year and a half," Mr. Neale said today, "and during that time there has been such a remarkable growth that facilities for bottling at Roseburg have been made necessary. The great volume of our product handled in this territory makes it too expensive to transport such large loads from the Springfield plant at the same time making it possible to justify a large expenditure at Roseburg for a bottling plant and equipment."

Mr. Neale states that the Roseburg plant will be put in charge of an experienced foreman from the bottling works at Springfield, where the company at present has its headquarters, but that all other labor will be employed locally.

A definite site has not yet been secured, but will be chosen in the near future and installation of equipment will be started as soon as the machinery arrives from the east.

German Spy Executed by French Firing Squad

NANCY, France, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Dr. Karl Roos, 60-year-old Alsatian autonomy leader, convicted of espionage for Germany, was executed at dawn today by a firing squad. President Lebrun had refused his plea for clemency.

A soldier named Lobstein was sentenced to death with Roos by a military tribunal. It was disclosed today the sentence had been commuted by President Lebrun to life imprisonment at hard labor.

Roos was accused of having furnished information to German agents on the movements of French troops in March, 1936, when Germany reoccupied the Rhineland and in September, 1938, during the crisis over Germany's claim to the Czechoslovak Sudetenland.

Ex-Gov. Earle Appointed U. S. Envoy to Bulgaria

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—President Roosevelt sent to the senate today the nomination of George H. Earle, former governor of Pennsylvania, to be minister to Bulgaria.

He also nominated David Gray of Florida to be minister to Ireland and Louis G. Dreyfus, Jr., of California, now minister to Iran, to be minister also to Afghanistan.

Earle at one time was minister to Austria. During his governorship he was an ardent supporter of the new deal.

Vote Opposes U. S. Business Meddling

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The membership of the United States chamber of commerce has voted, more than 60 to 1, to oppose any proposals for "control of industries by government agencies."

The chamber announced today the result of a mail poll in which the members organizations approved recommendations by a special committee on proposals concerning government and business.

The chamber said it had asked the members' views on the proposition affecting industries so that its "position against any more federal legislation uniting in a bureau or commission the functions of prosecutor, jury and judge might be very definitely and sharply in opposition."

The vote on it was 1786 to 27, approximately the same as on other recommendations, including the following:

The patent system should be maintained unimpaired.

Existing remedies under the anti-trust laws are ample and should be enforced in an orderly manner.

Such rights as the anti-trust laws now contain to permit for reasonable arrangements should be preserved.

Hospital Worker Beaten to Death by Patient

PENDLETON, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—F. W. Swanson, 55, an attendant at the Eastern Oregon state hospital, was beaten to death yesterday by a patient.

Coroner Allen Folsom reported that Cleve Ebel, 55, at work in one of the yards, fought the attendant with a window-cleaning squeegee.

Hospital officials said Ebel, suffering from dementia praecox, had never been troublesome before. He was committed to the hospital from Baker county in 1927.

Swanson's widow and a son survive.

Kills Self Because \$2.60 Weekly Dole Cancelled

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Deputy Coroner J. T. Cirbus said 68-year-old Louis Hoffman ended his life by taking poison because of grief over loss of a \$2.60 weekly relief allowance.

The man was stricken from relief rolls because he transferred his cottage and other property to relatives, reported Cirbus.

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Automobiles encountered no difficulty in crossing settling fills of the Wolf creek and Salmon river cut-offs or highwater on the west-side Pacific highway between Corvallis and Myron. Sixty feet of new rock wall washed out and closed the south road to Rocky butte on Portland's outskirts.

Nine inches of snow fell at Government Camp on the Mount Hood loop highway but failed to halt travel.

Three Boats Added to Sea War Toll

LONDON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The crack Irish mail steamer Munster, 4,305 tons, sank after an explosion presumably due to a mine early today on her run between Liverpool and Ireland.

The ship's 200 passengers and crew reached land safely although 20 were injured.

The 1,121-ton Estonian freighter Ann struck a mine last night off the east coast of England and three of the crew of 19, including the captain and his wife, were killed. Three others were reported missing.

The British freighter Armanisti, 6,805 tons, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine off the coast of Portugal last Saturday. Reuters (Lass Palma, Canary Islands, today. The crew of 53 was rescued.

46,000 Chinese Slain in Past Week, Japs Report

SHANGHAI, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Heavy fighting in Kwangsi province has cost the Chinese 46,000 dead in the past week, a Japanese army spokesman declared today. He put Japan's losses at only 205 killed and 725 wounded. The Chinese have been trying to regain Nanning, a Kwangsi city on a supply route to French Indo-China.