

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 47%
Highest temperature yesterday 57
Lowest temperature last night 39
Precipitation for 24 hours .04
Precip. since first of month .04
Snow, from Sept. 1, 1939 .24.24
Excess since Sept. 1, 1939 .30
Rain

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TALK, TALK

Will it bring Europe nearer to peace when Roosevelt's envoy, Welles, goes into a huddle with Hitler, following his conference with Mussolini? The best guess is "no," but this may be upset by developments. Follow them in NEWS-REVIEW service.

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BRITISH, NAZIS CLASH IN AIR-SEA WARFARE

Irving Doucette Dies In Auto Accident

Car Strikes Tree During Night Drive

Tragedy Occurs on West Side Highway Near Corvallis; Victim Former Roseburg Barber, World War Vet.

Irving H. Doucette, 46, until recently a resident of Roseburg, was killed last night in an automobile accident near Corvallis, where he has been recently operating a beauty parlor.

Doucette, according to word received here, was killed when he apparently lost control of his car on the west side Corvallis-Albany highway. The machine crashed into a tree.

Mr. Doucette came to Roseburg about 15 years ago from Minnesota and engaged in the barber trade. For more than 10 years he operated the Grand barber shop, in the Grand hotel building, where his wife, Mrs. Sadie Doucette, conducted a popular beauty parlor.

Mr. and Mrs. Doucette disposed of their business interests here about two years ago and moved to Portland, where Mrs. Doucette purchased a beauty shop. Mr. Doucette opened a similar type of business at Corvallis.

Surviving are Mrs. Doucette and a son, Richard, who soon will complete a term of enlistment in the U. S. navy. Richard now is located at the Pensacola, Fla., naval station.

Mr. Doucette served with the A. E. F. during the World War and was a member of the American Legion and other ex-service men's organizations.

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In The Day's News

DETROIT—Pursuing what seems to be the fad of the moment, this writer took possession of a car at the factory this morning and is preparing to drive back. Everybody, apparently, is doing it. Coming East, half the passengers on the train were headed for Detroit to pick up cars.

THE payoff is the saving in freight. On the small cars having assembly plants on the Coast, the differential is about \$125. On the larger ones, which are assembled at the factory and shipped complete, it is approximately double that.

With a little careful figuring, the freight saving will nearly pay the cost both ways, which appeals to people whose feet are beginning to itch.

Hence the hegin to Detroit.

THE catch, at this season, in the weather. It's snowing to night, and you have to be good at kidding yourself to make driving through the snow sound like fun. But, you assure yourself, it won't be snowing in the South, and from there on it will be swell.

(Maybe. The chilly present fact is that this snow is messy, and feels cold when it blows down the back of your neck.)

AS far as the physical process of picking up a car at the factory is concerned, it's duck soup. You place your order at home

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Reelection as Judge is Sought By Wimberly



Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly, above, announced today he will seek reelection to the office he has held for the past six years. A native of Douglas county and a member of a pioneer family, Mr. Wimberly studied law at Willamette university and was admitted to practice in 1909.

He served three years as recorder for the city of Roseburg and as city attorney for ten years. He was appointed to the office of district attorney following the resignation of George Neuner, who was named United States district attorney, but served in the office only a few months, preferring private practice.

In 1934 he was elected to the office of circuit judge and immediately introduced several innovations, chief of which was the postponement of sentence upon first offenders. In cases where he desires to mete out a degree of punishment, yet save a person he believed to be deserving of leniency from the penitentiary, he has postponed passing sentence, leaving the offender in the county jail for an indefinite period, and then granting a parole during good behavior.

This plan, first introduced by Judge Wimberly, is now used by many of the judges throughout the state. He also was the first to send youthful first offenders to visit the penitentiary as an object lesson.

Judges G. F. Skipworth, Eugene, and James T. Brand, Marshfield, now serving the district, also have announced they will seek reelection.

Mac Hoke Named to Education Board

SALEM, March 1.—(AP)—Gov. Charles A. Sprague announced today the appointment of Mac Hoke of Pendleton to a nine-year term on the state board of higher education, succeeding Edward C. Pease of The Dalles, whose term expires tomorrow. The appointment is subject to senate confirmation.

Hoke, a republican, is a wool-grower and grain-grower. He was born May 27, 1891, in Cherokee, Kansas, and was graduated from Oklahoma A. & M. college in 1912. He has been active in northwest agricultural circles, holding offices in the Eastern Oregon Wheat League, State Board of Agriculture, Northwest Livestock Production Credit association, Oregon Wool-growers association, and Regional Agricultural Credit association.

Three Infants Burned to Death in Their Home

HOLDERNESS, N. H., March 1.—(AP)—While their frantic parents were held at bay by flames, three infants burned to death today in their small, two-room house.

They were Roy Paul, aged 3; Myron, 18 months, and Betty Anne, seven months, the children of Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Paul. They were trapped in the kitchen. The cause of the fire was not determined.

California's Flood Snaps Another Dike

Residents of Meridan Added to Refugees; Fifth Person Killed; Levee Break Saves Colusa From Inundation.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—(AP)—Four persons who were believed to have drowned in a torrent from a broken dike, were found perched in a tree-top today, six hours after their automobile had been hoisted over by a blood near Meridian, 60 miles north of Sacramento.

Rescue squads said one of the group of six in the car had drowned. She was Mrs. Frank Fleharty.

Her death brought to five the toll of the five-day flood in northern California. Two persons were missing, and more than 5,000 had been forced from flooded homes.

The Meridian levee broke shortly after midnight, and the 500 residents of the town fled to higher ground.

Mr. and Mrs. Fleharty, two daughters, their son-in-law and a small child, started out in their car. They had gone about a quarter-mile from their ranch home when a burst of flood water caught the car, and overturned it. Fleharty was saved by another motorist.

The others in the party disappeared and were given up as lost, until the rescue workers came upon them in a tree. Mrs. Fleharty perished, they said.

Colusa Saved

The breaking of the dike at Meridian saved the city of Colusa from grave peril, easing the pressure of backwater there.

Meridian, however, was isolated, with all highways blocked. Several levee workers narrowly escaped death when the sudden surge of water came upon them.

While authorities struggled to combat the flood along a 150-mile front, looting of victims' homes was reported from Redding, near

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Youth Found Dead After Food Protest

KANSAS CITY, Kan., March 1.—(AP)—Serving "I'm tired of living on corn meal mush" 11-year-old Harry Larsen ran into his bedroom and slammed the door. A short time later he was found strangled to death.

Members of the family said Harry had taken his own life because of lack of variety in his food. Holly Palmer, city detective, said "I look like suicide," but police and Dr. L. S. Fisher, deputy coroner, ordered an inquiry.

Mrs. Arnes Larsen, 45-year-old widow, discovered the body last night after repeatedly calling to her son "come to supper."

Harry's body was slumped on the floor, a cloth attached securely around his neck and the two ends tied to door knobs.

Five minutes later, an older brother walked in, his arms loaded with groceries bought with an unemployment insurance check.

Mrs. Larsen said she, six sons and daughters and a daughter-in-law had been living on meager rations for several months. Two sons who formerly worked in a bakery now are jobless.

Police said an insurance policy with a paid-up value of \$25 or \$30 on Harry's life had lapsed but had been extended to April by the company. Premiums were only 2 cents a week.

Herbert Marks Resigns as Bonneville Counsel

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1.—(AP)—The resignation, effective April 1, of Herbert S. Marks, Bonneville power administration general counsel, was announced yesterday.

Marks will enter private law practice in the east. He was appointed general counsel by Secretary Ickes after serving with the department of justice and the Tennessee valley authority.

No successor has been named.

Nebraska Ballot Like Scandinavian Directory

LINCOLN, Neb., March 1.—(AP)—Scandinavian names have always been popular on the Nebraska ballot. So, with primary filings closed today the slate read:

Nine Johnsons; one Johnson; six Swansons; five Petersens; one Pedersen; a sprinkling of Larsons, Olsons, Jensens and others.

Runners for reelection are the three statehouse Johnsons; Attorney General Walter C. Lieutenant Governor William E. and Auditor Ray C.

To say nothing of Secretary of State Harry Swanson, who is seeking a fifth term.

Mean Thief Draws Six Months' Term

Arthur Cayorne of San Francisco went to justice court here today when he learned that the only existing pictures of his mother and sister, both deceased, had been destroyed. A. W. Lansberry, of Springfield, Oregon, who, Justice R. W. Masters said, admitted the theft of Cayorne's suitcase and destruction of the unwanted personal property it contained, was sentenced to six months in the county jail on a petty larceny charge.

According to the information given Judge Masters, the latter said the two men, who had been working together in California, were left behind in search of employment. At Roseburg, Lansberry left Cayorne with the excuse that he had to register an out-of-state car, but instead proceeded to the home of his mother in Springfield. Stopping near Cottage Grove he opened Cayorne's suitcase, which had been left in the automobile, and burned letters, pictures and unwanted clothing. Judge Masters said—Lansberry was arrested at Eugene and brought back to Roseburg last night.

Medford Lawyer Draws Penalty on Money Charge

MEDFORD, Ore., March 1.—(AP)—Tom J. Earlight, Medford attorney, found himself a month ago in circuit court jury of a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, was sentenced to an indeterminate term in state prison, not to exceed two years by Circuit Judge Norton today.

Notice of appeal to the state supreme court was filed. Earlight was ordered remanded to the custody of the sheriff, pending filing of a new bond.

Late Thursday, a circuit court jury returned a verdict of acquittal in the trial of John Earlight, a brother, similarly charged in an indictment.

Nineteen Lives Taken by Flood in Bolivia

LA PAZ, Bolivia, March 1.—(AP)—At least 19 persons drowned today in a flood which swept over a wide area of Cochabamba, after heavy rains and breaks in dikes along the Roca River.

The city of Cochabamba is some 125 miles airline southeast of here. The government arranged to send relief.

"School Is Out for the Day"

An exploding hot water heater in the basement of the Ripon, Calif., junior high school athletic building blew out the corner of the structure, hurtled through a wooden building 150 feet away, and stopped 150 feet from there. But the blowup was one hour before students entered the building.



Finns Battle Heroically To Save Viipuri

Bay Mined, Big Guns Massed in Effort to Repel Russians; Invaders Lose 14 Planes, Finns 4 in Air Clashes.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—Jesse Jones, federal loan administrator, announced today the export-import bank had allocated \$20,000,000 for an additional loan to Finland, had made a \$15,000,000 loan to Sweden, and also had made a \$10,000,000 loan to Norway, which previously had been tentatively announced.

HELSINKI, March 1.—(AP)—The Red army's efforts to push across the Bay of Viipuri in an encircling drive on Viipuri itself continued in conjunction with heavy attacks along a line due east of the city. The Finnish high command announced today.

The Red army continued its persistent battering of Finland's Manterholme line, striking at both extremes under a continual protective barrage from war planes. Some sources said 19 fresh divisions, nearly 300,000 men, were in action for the Russians.

Unusually heavy air activity was reported in the daily communiqué, covering action yesterday, with "fierce air battles" in which the Finns said they shot down 14 Russian planes and lost four themselves.

A Red army communiqué last night on yesterday's action reported that the Russians were only a little more than a mile from Viipuri and were closing in from the south and east in a "developing" offensive.

The Finns said that their air force carried out several reconnaissance flights "and bombed a"

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Plywood Factory Burns; Body Found

ABERDEEN, March 1.—(AP)—One body was recovered and two more were sought today after fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Aberdeen Plywood company plant, one of the largest on Grays harbor, with a loss estimated at \$800,000.

The body was not immediately identified. Searchers said it was uncertain that there were other victims though it was believed two persons might be missing.

A heavy rain prevented the blaze from spreading to other plants on the waterfront but sparks, carried by a strong wind, fell in yards as far distant as a mile from the plant.

V. A. Nymann, company president, who estimated the loss, said it was partially covered by insurance.

The fire broke out in one of the dryers, shortly after 3 a. m. and within 20 minutes the whole plant was enveloped in flames.

Five Northern Pacific railroad cars, loaded with plywood, were also destroyed.

The plant, which has been operating at full capacity with three shifts, employed 450 men.

Nazis Spurn Peace Until Britain's Asserted Economic Grip is Broken, Von Ribbentrop Tells U. S. Envoy

BERLIN, March 1.—(AP)—Germany is not prepared even to discuss peace until and unless Britain's "stranglehold on the economic life of the world" is broken—this in effect is understood to have been the central thesis of the first talk today between President Roosevelt's fast-finding emissary and Adolf Hitler's foreign minister.

Moreover, Foreign Minister Von Ribbentrop is understood to have told Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles that until Britain's dominance is ended Germany is unable to entertain Secretary Hull's ideas concerning elimination of autarky, regimentation and totalitarianism from the post-war economic world.

Sources in Von Ribbentrop's confidence developed this idea so strongly to this correspondent that there can be little doubt that Ribbentrop himself gave this line of talk to Welles, with whom he was scheduled soon after the American's arrival today.

Later Welles announced that his interview with Chancellor Hitler had been set for tomorrow.

The American was noncommittal on his talk with Von Ribbentrop but said "it was very interesting and I was struck by every courtesy by the German government."

Gets Noisy Welcome

Welles, arriving from Rome, where he already had conferred with Premier Mussolini on his fact-finding mission for President Roosevelt, was greeted in the German capital this morning with the shrieks of air raid sirens which were unintentionally martial—it was a regular alarm rehearsal.

In developing the thesis that Britain has a stranglehold on the world Von Ribbentrop was believed to have told Welles that British censorship of American Clipper mail at Bermuda was a mere ploy

prick for the United States compared to what all Europe as well as Asia feels all the time.

Puts Blame On Allies

So long as England holds Gibraltar and the Suez canal, for example—so Von Ribbentrop is supposed to have argued—there is no security for the rest of the world.

Von Ribbentrop, according to reliable sources, also pointed out that Germany established a protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia (heart of the former Czech-Slovak republic) and seized Poland only because England and France tried to use these areas as operating bases against Germany.

The foreign office also lays claim to being in possession of evidence that the British are busy in Lithuania, stirring up trouble there, and especially encouraging the Poles there to create a disturbance in the so-called "governor's area" of Poland administered by Germany.

LONDON, March 1.—(AP)—A document purporting to embody German peace terms was published today by the British press, which described it as "amazing" and "dubious."

The Daily Herald said officials were unable to regard it as a genuine peace offer from Germany. It said the document was sponsored by the British council for Christian settlement in Europe, was supposed to have come through the German minister in Dublin, and contained the following terms:

Agreement by Germany to an independent "reconstructed" Poland; freedom for reconstituted Czech and Slovak states; general disarmament; membership in a reformed League of Nations; return of all or some of Germany's former colonies or some other method of providing Germany with adequate raw materials.

Long Ballot For Oregon In Making

SIX MEASURES ALREADY LISTED, NINE OTHERS PROPOSED IN PETITIONS BEING OFFERED.

BY PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.

SALEM, Ore., March 1.—(AP)—Oregon voters, who started the idea of direct legislation back in 1902, are going to do a lot of it this year, with six measures already assured places on the November ballot and nine others being circulated for the necessary 25,521 signatures of registered voters.

The legislature submitted four proposed constitutional amendments to the people which would remove provisions that the secretary of state and state treasurer could hold office for more than eight years in any 12 years, provide that the tax base of counties for any one year shall be determined by the average for the preceding three years, remove the double liability of bank stockholders, and pay legislators \$8 a day for 50 days instead of \$3 a day for 40 days.

Beaten Bill Revived

Voters are familiar with proposals to increase salaries of their lawmakers. They've defeated such measures 10 times out of 10, doing it in 1928 by 169,000 to 149,000. The double liability amendment was defeated at the same election 165,000 to 123,000.

Two bills passed by the 1929 legislature will be on the ballot referendum petitions were filed against them. One bill opposed by the state grange and state Federation of Labor, would change the primary election from May to September, and the other would regulate the use of liquor in night clubs and hotels.

Completed petitions on initiatives must be filed by July 3, but so far, none of the nine initiatives has enough signatures to put it on the ballot.

Two liquor measures are being circulated, one of which would prohibit the sale of liquor to minors.

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Injunction Sends C.I.O. Back to Auto-Life Plant

TOLEDO, O., March 1.—(AP)—The day shift at the Electric Auto-Life Co., including the 20 members of the AFL-United Automobile Workers of America, peacefully returned to work today.

Each worker received a copy of the injunction issued by Judge Lee N. Murlin restraining CIO-UAW members from molesting employees who were ejected from the plant yesterday by CIO workers.

About 60 policemen and 20 deputy sheriffs were on duty. Later all but six policemen and a dozen deputies were withdrawn.

Two Neutral Boats Among Casualties

German Bombers Stage New Raid on Shipping in Reply to Longest Scout Flight Yet Made by Britons.

LONDON, March 1.—(AP)—Britain and Germany fought a bitter give-and-take air and sea warfare today in which neutral vessels went down with those of the belligerents.

While Britain has announced that her big reconnaissance planes had flown over Berlin and other German cities during the night in the most extensive scouting flight of the war, German bombers attacked shipping off Britain's east coast from Yorkshire to the Thames estuary.

An authoritative source said a convoy had been attacked but "no ships were hit." It was understood the attack took place "some way out" over the sea—too far for British fighters to go into action effectively.

Norway, Italy Suffer

Caught in the bomb and machine-gun attacks on trawlers which the British said were fishing craft was the Norwegian steamer Iroto, 1,583 tons, bombed from the air and escorted listing badly into an east coast port. Six of her men were added on a raft, and two others were picked up.

(Norwegian Foreign Minister Koht said only yesterday that Norway was protesting against German attacks on Norwegian vessels.)

The 5,340-ton Italian steamer Mirella, plying normally between Rotterdam and Italy, sank within two minutes after striking a mine 14 miles off the Suffolk coast last night, and today two of her lifeboats reached the coast, bearing 14 men suffering from exposure and the body of one of their mates who died. Eleven other members of the crew were missing.

Scouters Unharmed

An officially approved statement said of the flights over Germany that they were the longest of the war, ranging from six to ten hours. All craft returned safely without encountering enemy opposition "either in the air or on the ground," the statement said.

The captain of one plane reported that he had identified an

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Census Question Protests Aired

WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—The senate was in recess today but one of its commerce subcommittees began a focal point of popular interest at the capital as Senator Tobey (R-N. Y.) pressed consideration of his resolution for elimination of census questions dealing with the salaries and wages of private citizens.

Tobey told the committee he had received hundreds of protests against the question now scheduled to be asked in the April census.

Congressional opposition to a new set of bomb-proof locks for the Panama canal, an administration leader said, may bring a special presidential appeal for funds.

President Roosevelt's budget asked \$15,000,000 to begin work on the locks, but the item was deleted from a war department bill by the house appropriations committee.

The house backed up its committee yesterday by voting only \$850,000 to prepare plans for the locks. It did not even debate the larger sum.

Police Chief's Kin First to Ask Blood Donation

PORTLAND, March 1.—(AP)—The Portland blood donors' honor roll, organized by Police Chief Harry Niles, got its first call for service yesterday for the chief's nephew, Ray Niles.

Young Niles, 29, underwent amputation of his leg injured in an automobile accident February 16.

The donors' honor roll already contains about 5000 names of persons available for emergency transfusions. Three hospitals are cooperating in typing blood samples.

Tot Wanders From Home to Meet Death in Creek

THE DALLES, Ore., March 1.—(AP)—Larry Weatherbee, 22-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Weatherbee, Jr., drowned yesterday in 15-mile creek. He wandered away from home.

The body was recovered.