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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon.

Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Cloudy tonight and Saturday; rain Saturday.

Highest temp. for any Sept.	104
Lowest temp. for any Sept.	29
Highest temp. yesterday	69
Lowest temp. last night	43
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In the Day's News

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moment become exchangeable for one tonight.

IT all came about this way:

A reservation here in Chicago was duly made from Washington four days ago and duly confirmed. But upon arrival here and appearance at the desk to claim it, the discovery was made that whoever had done the confirming had made one of those unfortunate slips. It seems there wasn't anything to confirm.

"We just haven't been accepting ANY reservations at all for more than a week" the courteous girl at the window explains."

So that's that.

THERE is no lack of courtesy or desire to make good the slip. "If there was ANYTHING we could do to take care of you, we'd do it," she says with quite obvious sincerity. "But last night we even filled the Crystal ballroom with cots, arranged like a barracks, and numbered so that people could locate them. All the cots were filled promply. This morning several people who were checking out came courteously to us and explained that they were leaving and checking out Cot Number so-and-so. The ones thus vacated were filled immediately. In all the years in this city, we've never seen anything like it is just now."

IT isn't just this one hotel that is overflowing.

The Hotel Owners association of Chicago has a pool to take care of emergency cases. The pool is swamped, and there is a long waiting list.

Hence the choice between Joliet and the office davenport.

IT is always hard to find a place to sleep in Chicago, but it is harder than usual right now because in addition to the normal demand a half dozen large conventions are meeting here this week.

It's just no time to travel through here. As a matter of fact, one is a sap to travel at all without at least a No. 3 priority.

ONE of the minor annoyances of travel in these wartime days is to stand for a half or three quarters of an hour in a line before a railroad ticket window and then, just as you get there to have the girl close it down and say sweetly "Sorry, sir, but this is my luncheon hour."

The poor gal, of course, has to eat. If she didn't take the bull by the horns when her luncheon hour arrives and arbitrarily shut the window down and leave, she could stand there all afternoon for the lines before these windows are unending.

And it isn't that the railroads don't furnish girls enough. The long rows of windows are literally jamed with them. The whole story is that there are just too many people going somewhere.

So one puts a good face on it and goes back to the foot of the next line.

LATER: It just develops that there was a slip in the Joliet reservation. There are no rooms there, it seems and 11 people on the waiting list in Chicago.

TEN more minutes later. A room has showed up out in Highland Park only 25 miles away. Glory be!

Five minutes more and the telephone rings announcing that a berth back to the Pacific Coast tonight has been secured and will be held for a half hour. It never rains but it pours.

Where the dickens is that taxi!

THIS traveling around from place to place in these war days is a hard life, mates.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM

By Charles V. Stanton

THE Roseburg school board has been forced to release an instructor from her contract because she was unable to obtain living quarters in Roseburg. The federal government is urging the Youngs Bay Lumber company, engaged in cutting ordnance crating materials, to add another shift to increase production. The company is prevented from complying with the request because it would be necessary to import more workmen and there are no living accommodations for the workers and their families. All of our industrial plants and many of our business houses are seeking additional workers. And all the while a steady stream of employable persons are coming into Roseburg and neighboring towns seeking employment, but moving on to other locations because of the inadequacy of housing.

And while this condition is in existence, the special Census committee of the War Public Services informs our chamber of commerce there is no evidence of increased population in Roseburg and Douglas county. The OPA denies a bakery sufficient sugar to enlarge its production in proportion to the growth of the community, claiming there is insufficient evidence of additional population. The War Services agency at Washington is withholding promised aid to the recreational program, despite favorable recommendations from the district office.

Does anyone wonder why we continually complain of the chaos, confusion, mismanagement and plain ignorance of the present administration?

School census in Roseburg shows a gain of more than 20 per cent. Sutherlin, Myrtle Creek, Reedsport and other Douglas county communities are reporting overtaxed school facilities. Utility connections are at an all-time high. Our postal receipts show enormous gains. Long distance calls, a good index of population and business conditions, have shown remarkable increase. Bank deposits, and particularly the number of new depositors, furnish further proof of rapidly expanding population.

Yet federal agencies, trying to regiment our lives from Washington, tell us we have no evidence of increased population.

And some people will vote to continue that kind of inefficiency for another four years! (Pardon us if we step on someone's toes.)

The Federal Housing agency is beginning to awaken to our critical need. Priorities have been approved for 40 new homes to be built with private capital at Roseburg, Glide and Sutherlin. But 40 new homes do not begin to fully serve our needs.

When conditions reach the point that the Roseburg school district, needing two or three more instructors because student enrollment is greater than expected, must release a teacher from her contract due to inability to find suitable housing, the situation is extremely critical. And when the federal government, needing materials to prosecute the war, is so lacking in organization it cannot provide accommodations for the men it needs to produce those materials, there is ample reason for criticism.

There are a few things which could be undertaken locally to partially relieve the critical condition. There are, for example, a number of homes occupied by elderly couples who do not need all of the rooms in their residences. They could create apartments which would accommodate one or more teachers or other essential workers. But again we are faced by the maze of government regulations, priorities, restrictions, etc., and many home owners will not fight the red tape which surrounds the remodelling they might otherwise undertake.

It would not take 30 minutes for a qualified official to secure ample evidence of Douglas county's population growth and the crying need for increased housing. But back in Washington a bunch of bureaucrats, sitting on their fancy-cushioned swivel chairs, say there is insufficient evidence of increased population.

We agree with Chester Bowles that things are not always "well handled" from Washington.

DIAL LOG

By SUSAN

Quick, Henry, the dial! Get it on 1490 P. D. Q. if it's near 6:30 — we don't want to miss the Irish Monahans on Double or Nothing tonight. Likewise. We must listen to the exhibition of the gentle art of fisticuffs as broadcast by Bill Corum and Don Dunphy tonight at 8 from St. Nicholas arena. This a return grudge fight between Rocky Graziano and Frankie Terry, welterweights, and scheduled to go eight rounds. By the way, we found out that the St. Nicholas arena is the oldest and most famous fight club in America and it's located in New York. Tomorrow morning please note that Hello Mom has moved up to 9 o'clock and that there's a touch of football on the air at 1 o'clock, but it's early enough so that you'll still be able to hear the usual good Saturday afternoon programs. Chicago Theatre of the Air at 6 presents "D Day 1787", casting aside its traditional make-believe to pay respects to the significance of Constitution Day in this year of our Lord, 1944. Apparently this production will be almost entirely narration, orchestra and chorus, no soloists being listed in the advance publicity. Downbeat Derby at 8. Shady Valley Barn Dance at 9:30 oh, and Red Ryder at 7:30 complete the high spots on Saturday's programming. Don't overlook tonight's shows while you're looking forward to tomorrow's.

Honor Roll Board Community Pride

REEDSPORT Reedsport and Gardiner, as well as the whole lower Umpqua district, are rather proud of the work of the Gardiner-Reedsport Lions club's efforts in erecting and maintaining an honor roll which has been placed on the side of a downtown business building.

This honor roll was originally 27 feet 4 inches long by 7 feet high and contained place spaces 3 inches by 16 inches on which the names of men in military service are painted in black on a white background. This board contained spaces for 394 names and the whole board has been filled with names of lower Umpqua selectees or volunteers. Recently the Lions club has had two wings, each five feet wide attached to each end of the original board and spaces for 63 names provided on each board. One of these wings has been entirely filled and there are four names on the other wing at the present time with a number of enlistees not yet recorded with the committee in charge of the work.

Reedsport Coach Putting Football Squad Into Shape

Jack Flug, Reedsport high athletic coach is really going to town with the small number of boys from which he will pick his 1944 football squad. But he states that the boys are all willing workers, fine fellows and are fast being whipped into shape. Jack says that some of them are rather small but are alert and grasp his ideas quickly, and he further states that he has two back field men who will really go places within the next two years, and be material for some college coach to keep his eye on.

Flug is not at all satisfied with the school's playing field but thinks that the new rodeo ground will be a dandy place to play, so arrangements are being made with the Mounted Police heads to stage the Reedsport games on this new field, which will have ample seating capacity. Jack has promised his squad that they will win more games than they did last season and he is sure that when Reedsport and Roseburg clash the Braves will come home with the Indians' scalps dangling at their belts.

Seals Beat Padres; Beavers' Pieretti Blanks Oakland

(By the Associated Press.)

Five hits, two walks and a hit batsman in the ninth inning gave the San Francisco Seals a 7 to 3 win over San Diego last night and kept the Seals in the running for the Coast baseball league's second position.

The Padres led, 3-0, as Dasso limited the Seals to five hits and no runs until one man was out in the ninth when Sprinz singled to begin the parade of blows that won the game.

Portland's Beavers held their one-game second place lead as Pieretti stopped Oakland's drive for an upper division berth with a three hit, 5 to 0, shutout. It was the Beaver's first win of the week.

Pieretti's bat work accounted for three of Portland's 13 hits and drove in two runs. It was his 26th pitching win of the season, top number in the league.

Los Angeles nosed out Seattle, 2 to 1, in a tight pitching duel between Prim and Babich. Prim allowed Seattle four hits while the Angels got three off Babich. The margin of victory went to Los Angeles when first baseman Libke dropped Babich's throw on Garriott's bouncer, letting Gray score from second after two were out in the ninth.

Hollywood took advantage of the breaks in a free hitting game at Sacramento to defeat the Solons, 7 to 5.

Team Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	96	69	.582
Portland	86	78	.524
San Francisco	85	79	.518
Seattle	83	82	.503
Oakland	82	82	.500
Hollywood	81	84	.491
Sacramento	74	91	.448
San Diego	71	93	.433

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

FRIDAY
6:30—Double or Nothing.
7:15—Lowell Thomas.
8:30—Rocky Graziano vs. Frankie Terry.
9:00—Newspaper of the Air.

SATURDAY
9:00—Hello Mom.
11:30—Quebec Conference Report.
1:00—Great Lakes Naval Training Station vs. Fort Sheridan.
3:00—Halls of Montezuma.
4:30—Flying High.
6:00—Chicago Theatre of the Air.
7:30—Red Ryder.
8:00—Downbeat Derby.
9:30—Shady Valley Barn Dance.

SUNDAY
10:30—Hookey Hall.
1:30—Name That Song.
2:30—The Mysterious Traveler.
3:00—Quick as a Flash.
3:45—Dick Brown.
5:00—Mediation Board.
7:00—Boys Town.
8:00—California Melodies.
8:30—Tonight at Hoagy's.
9:30—Human Adventure.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:15—Time Tabloid.
4:30—World's Front Page.
4:45—Music Off the Record.
5:00—Bible Adventures, Presbyterian Church.
5:15—Superman.
5:30—Tom Mix, Ralston's Purina
5:45—Night News Wire, Studebaker.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Kremi.
6:15—Screen Test, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.
6:30—Double or Nothing, Feenamint.
7:00—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
7:05—Musical Interlude.
7:15—Lowell Thomas, Standard Oil Co.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Boxing Bouts, Gillette.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Hi Neighbor, Carstens Furniture Store.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Kampfer's Sav-Mor.
9:45—Music for the Night.
10:00—Sign off.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
6:45—Yawn Patrol.
7:00—News, White King Soap.
7:15—Stuff and NoNnsense.
7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
7:35—The Beehive.
7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00—Haven of Rest (ABC KOOS)
8:30—Rainbow House.
9:00—Hello Mom.
9:30—Easy Listenin'.
9:45—Melody Mart.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Al Williams.
10:30—Musical Market Basket.
10:45—Todd Grant Gets the Story.
11:00—Morning Melodies.
11:15—Pastor's Scrapbook, Presbyterian Church.
11:30—Quebec Conference Report.
11:45—Miniature Concerts.
12:00—Musical Interlude.
12:10—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer.
12:15—Rhythm at Random.
12:40—State News, Hansen Motors.
12:45—News-Review of the Air.
12:55—Terminal Market Reports, Sig Fett.
1:00—Great Lakes Naval Training Station vs. Fort Sheridan.
2:30—Bellgame Handicap.
2:45—Lee Castle's Orchestra.
3:00—Halls of Montezuma.
3:30—Hawaii Calls.
4:00—Teatime Tunes.
4:15—Air Lane Trio.
4:30—Flying High.
5:00—Moods in Music.
5:15—Music for Remembrance.
5:30—Musical Cocktail.
5:45—Night News Wire, Studebaker.
6:00—Chicago Theatre of the Air.
7:00—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
7:15—Dinner Music.
7:30—Red Ryder.
8:00—Downbeat Derby, Union Oil Co.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Service Salute, E. G. High.
9:30—Shady Valley Barn Dance.
10:00—Sign off.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
8:00—Wesley Radio League.
8:30—Voice of Prophecy.
9:00—Pilgrim Hour.
9:30—Lutheran Hour.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Commander Scott, Greyhound.
10:30—Hookey Hall, Chooz.
11:00—Baptist Church Services.
12:00—Musical Scrapbook.
12:15—Voice of the Dairy Farmer, American Dairy Assn.
12:30—Dr. Floyd Johnson.
1:00—Jewish New Year.
1:15—Billy Rodgers Orchestra.
1:30—Name That Song, Cyster.
2:00—Church of Christ (ABC)
2:15—For a Guy Named Joe.
2:30—True Detective Mysteries.
3:00—Quick as a Flash, Helbros Watch Co.
3:30—Upton Close.
3:45—Dick Brown, Form Fit.
4:00—TBA.
4:30—TBA.
5:00—Mediation Board.
5:45—Gabriel Heatter, Barbasol.
6:00—The Adventures of Leonidas Witherall.
6:30—Cedric Foster, Employers Group.
6:45—When the Lights Go On Again in Britain.
7:00—Boys Town.
7:30—Music.
7:45—Billy McKuhn's Orchestra.
8:00—California Melodies.
8:30—Tonight at Hoagy's, Nu Made Mayonnaise.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Stardust Serenade.
9:30—Human Adventure.
10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour.
11:00—Sign Off.

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Bill Authorizes Sale Of Forest Products

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 (AP) Senate amendments to a bill permitting the interior department to sell sand, gravel, earth, common rock, timber or other forest products or vegetation on lands under its jurisdiction were agreed to by the house yesterday.

Ray D. Wright Retires After 46 Years With S. P.

Completing 46 years as a Southern Pacific company engineman, Ray D. Wright, was retired recently after making his last run as engineer on the passenger run between Klamath Falls and Eugene.

A resident of Eugene in recent years, Mr. Wright previously made his home in Roseburg for a long time, and plans to return in the near future.

He started railroading Dec. 8, 1898, at Roseburg as a student fireman, became an engineer in 1903 and at the time of his retiremen was third on the Portland division seniority list.

In recounting some of his experiences, Mr. Wright found the most exciting to be an event which occurred in Cow Creek canyon.

"Railroading used to be a dangerous game," he recalled. "Many a trip I've made through Cow creek canyon—we used to call it Hungry Man's canyon—when the wind and rain or snow would blind me, trying to watch ahead as the engine plunged down those mountain grades. If a train ahead was delayed the brakeman would light a fusee and leave it burning on the tracks. The rules required us to stop on sighting a red fusee, and wait there until it burned out, which was supposed to take 13 minutes from the time it had been lighted, and this was our principal safety guard.

"But once, on one of those stormy nights, we hit a slide in Cow creek siding. It was a doubleheader run and I was on the second engine. Engineer Ed Peyton was on the lead engine. We struck the slide near the east switch. His engine was tumbled into the river. The fall broke the blow-off cock and live steam filled the canyon around the locomotive. My engine was thrown off the rails but it didn't leave the roadbed.

"I immediately whistled for a flag to be posted behind the train, and started for the wreck. Just then Teddy Johnson, Peyton's fireman, came weaving groggily up the bank. He said 'Peyton's a goner, Ray. I can't find him down there,' and went off down the tracks. Just then Peyton came stumbling up the bank. 'Ray, Teddy's a goner, I'm afraid,' he called. But when he learned that his fireman was alive he gave a war whoop, threw his cap and gloves down and shouted, 'Then to hell with the engine!' Fireman Johnson was later killed when another engine went through a bridge. Engineer Peyton retired to his farm and lives near Roseburg. Both were well known to the old-timers in the service."

Murder Verdict Filed

PORTLAND, Sept. 15—(AP)—George Wilson, 42-year-old negro, was convicted by a jury of second degree murder last night in the fatal shooting of Leroy K. Logan, negro, during an argument last June 24.

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