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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon
Forecast for Roseburg and vic-
inity: Cloudy tonight; partly
cloudy Wednesday.
Highest temp. for any Dec. 70
Lowest temp. for any Dec. 5
Highest temp. yesterday 53
Lowest temp. last night 38
Precipitation yesterday .0
Precipitation from Dec. 1 2.79
Excess from Dec. 1, 1945 .05
Excess from Sept. 1, 1945 3.52

In the Day's News

(Continued from page 1)

peace-keeping powers of the United
Nations.

ONE OF HIS SPECIFIC jobs is
thought to be BRINGING
PRESSURE on the Chungking
Chinese and the communists to
GET TOGETHER.

That sounds like one foreign
policy that might be worth risk-
ing a fight for. The Chinese have
never been strong on trying to
conquer the world. Their great
trouble has been too much fight-
ing (and war lord racketeering)
among themselves.

If we could get that stopped,
China might become a great in-
fluence for world peace. The good
Lord knows we NEED such in-
fluences.

IT IS intimated that Marshall is
authorized to "bring pressure"
on China.

Well, there is plenty of pres-
ident for that. If violent-minded
factions were threatening to dis-
rupt the peace in this country,
we'd bring police "pressure" to
stop them.

(Unless, that is, they had too
much political power. In that
event, we'd probably stall along
until something serious hap-
pened.)

THIS writer has a slight feeling
of disappointment that before
leaving Marshall didn't VOLUN-
TEER to tell the inside story of
what happened at Pearl Harbor.
He must know it, and so great is
his reputation for honesty and
fair dealing that people would
BELIEVE him.

MPs and civil police in London
put out what is described as a
gigantic dragnet in an effort to
round up 10,000 British, Ameri-
can and Canadian deserters and
stop a record crime wave in Eng-
land. Success or failure of the ef-
fort isn't indicated in the dis-
patches, but the British police usu-
ally mean it when they start
something.

As an explanation of the crime
waves that are sweeping the
world, there really is something
to this "psychosis" business.
A world indoctrinated for years
in the arts of killing and destruc-
tion can't be turned back over-
night to the ways of peace.

STATE SECRETARY BYRNES
and his staff arrive in Mos-
cow. Russia's Molotov, of course,
is already on the job. The sched-
uled conference of the Big Three
foreign ministers is waiting for
its kick-off only on Britain's Be-
van, who hasn't yet shown up—
but will.

Keep an eye on this conference.
It will help to make clearer many
things that now are cloudy—in-
cluding what Russia is going to
do in the world of the future.

THE French foreign office sends
a note to the U. S. and Britain
proposing "consultations" on re-
lations with Franco Spain. The
three parties in France (the com-
munists, the socialists and the
popular republicans) are said to
be strongly in favor of a break
with Spain but the French for-
eign office is believed to have
made it plain that it will do so
only by JOINT action of France,
Britain and the U. S.

Spain isn't POWERFUL
enough to be dangerous to the
peace of the world NOW, but is
certainly an infection center. The
physician's method would be to
remove such an infection center
before it causes grave trouble.

THE Jap house of representa-
tives passes a law giving to
workers the right to organize and

The Opportunist's Springboard

By Charles V. Stanton

Labor politics is providing an excellent springboard for
the political opportunist. Since Labor, disregarding the
warning of its greatest leader, Samuel Gompers, to keep
out of politics, permitted, and even sought, congressional
cooperation and executive department guardianship, affairs
constantly have grown more complicated.

We find the American Federation of Labor and Congress
of Industrial Organization engaged in internecine strife.
Both labor organizations find difficulty in agreeing with
management. Management and the labor groups battle
Congress and hundreds of federal agencies. Congress and
the whole political family, from the President down, tiptoe
around vital issues, dodge and evade, straddle fences and
elude showdowns. At the same time each political party
tries to maneuver its opposition into Labor's disfavor.

There also is indication that political factions are delib-
erately promoting the rift between the A. F. of L. and the C. I. O. for purely political reasons, yet
acting as friends of both and seeking voting support. Taken
as a whole, the situation is a decided mess, unproductive
of welfare to Labor, Management or efficient government.

Few politicians, even though honest and sincere in their
respective offices, purposely stick out their necks. When
controversial matters arise, they can duck into their shells
with a speed that makes a turtle ashamed of itself. Each
department of government attempts to curry favor with
Labor because of the potentialities of the labor vote, while,
at the same time, trying to involve the opposition in en-
tanglements with Labor.

Such conditions provide a fertile field for the growth
of political opportunists, willing to pledge themselves to
everything and anything to secure election. But the op-
portunist is not the type of man we need to produce good
and efficient government.

It would seem the time has come for Labor to divorce
itself from politics. Under the guise of wartime necessity
a good many acts were passed purportedly for the protec-
tion of Labor but actually developing into punishing fetters.

The great majority of our strikes and labor disturbances
in the past few years have not been over disagreements be-
tween workers and employers, but rather have been aimed
at government control of wages and hours, rulings of the
National Labor Relations Board, etc. The Labor-Management-
Government triangle is a potentially vicious thing
which cannot help but result in continued dissatisfaction.

In spite of the fact that federal controls have been the
principal source of Labor's dissatisfaction and unrest,
Labor still is looking to legislation as a panacea for existing
ills.

We believe the time is ripe for Labor to shake off the
"protective" arm of government—an arm which betokens
affection but serves to hamper free action. It is time to
shed the wartime controls. Congress, in our opinion, would
do well to repeal the bulk of its labor laws, leaving Labor
and Management free to settle their own disputes without
the services of a referee who can't make up his mind.

By shaking off its assumed guardianship, Congress, the
administration and all the various subdivisions would be
freed from the necessity of straddling a half dozen fences
at the same time. Labor also would be rid of the principal
source of its unrest and would be free to concentrate on
relations with Management instead of having to work
through and with a third party. The theory that govern-
ment can be a policeman to enforce Labor's demands has
been proven a snare and delusion in practice. Labor can do
a far better job of protecting itself than by relying upon
the arm of government.

By divorcement of the third party to the vicious triangle,
one major springboard would be denied the political op-
portunist.

RHS Hoopsters
To Battle Tonight
With Myrtle Point

Myrtle Point brings a strong
team from the coast today to
challenge Roseburg High School
in a basketball game on the local
school's floor. The game is sched-
uled for 8 o'clock.

A number of season tickets are
still for sale. Omer J. Monger,
principal, reported yesterday.
Purchase of tickets now will still
permit holders to see the remain-
ing games scheduled this year at
a saving over individual tickets
for the games. The season tickets,
which cost five dollars, give entry
to all home games. Seats are re-
served.

The Roseburg team shows a
great deal of promise. Coach Mel
Ingram says in Saturday's game
with the Ashland High Grizzlies,
Ingram's boys defeated last
year's District champions. The
score was 25 to 17.

The same starting line-up that
met Ashland will lead Roseburg
against Myrtle Point. Ingram
said. The line-up includes Young
and Benson as forwards, Collier
as center, Harvey and Garretson
as guards.

If Roseburg shows the same
spirit against Myrtle Creek to-
night, Ingram said, the local
team should be a real challenge
to all other teams it meets this
season.

bargain collectively.

If collective bargaining is to be
made fully and usefully effective
in the Japan of the future, the
Jap diet (congress) should go on
and make responsibility in col-
lective bargaining contracts MU-
TUAL, giving to both parties the
right to sue and be sued for dam-
ages in the event of violation—
the same as in other business
contracts.

That is all that is needed to
make collective bargaining work-
able.

Torch Murderer,
Thief Sought Near
National CapitalWASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(AP)—
A posse with bloodhounds are
hunting an unidentified man who
attacked and then set fire to 70-
year-old Postmaster J. L. Daven-
port at nearby Julia.

The elderly man died in a
Cuthbert hospital Saturday night
where he was taken after found
dying in the combination post-
office and grocery store.

Police Chief W. L. Maddox said
a Negro passerby, answering
calls for "help" identified the as-
sailant as a Negro. The attacker
ran from the building with a
bucket of kerosene in his hand.

Trooper W. T. Beauchamp said
the attacker was apparently bent
on robbery. Davenport was cut
about the face and struck on the
head before his body was soaked
with kerosene and set afire, the
trooper said.

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PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—
Ira J. Mason, forester formerly
stationed here, has been named
forestry service timber manage-
ment division chief at Washing-
ton, D. C. regional headquarters
reported today.

Mason was ranger on the Sno-
qualmie National Forest in Wash-
ington from 1925 to 1929 and
later was assistant forester of the
Knappton River National Forest.
He was assigned to the Portland
office in 1934. He was trans-
ferred to Washington in 1944.

Sons and Daughters of
Oregon Pioneers Meet

PORTLAND, Dec. 18.—(AP)—A
meeting of the Sons and Daugh-
ters of Oregon Pioneers here yester-
day was attended by four Ore-

KRNR

Mutual Broadcasting System
1490 Kilocycles.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chem-
- 4:15—Rex Miller, National Biscuit Co.
- 4:30—Erskine Johnson, Balthazard.
- 4:45—Good News Program, Assembly of
- 5:00—Maxwell Clark, Modern Furniture.
- 5:15—Superman, Kellogg.
- 5:30—Capt. Midnight, Wanderer Co.
- 5:45—Good News Program, Assembly of
- 6:00—Gabriel Heister, Fortham Tooth-
- 6:15—Music You Remember, Douglas
- 6:30—Music You Remember, Douglas
- 6:45—Music You Remember, Douglas
- 7:00—Music You Remember, Douglas
- 7:15—Music You Remember, Douglas
- 7:30—Music You Remember, Douglas
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- 11:30—Music You Remember, Douglas
- 11:45—Music You Remember, Douglas
- 12:00—Music You Remember, Douglas

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1945

- 6:30—Yarns, Patrol.
- 6:45—Schneider, Auction.
- 7:00—News, J. A. Edgar Co.
- 7:15—Music and News, Sterling Drug Co.
- 7:30—State and Local News, Boring
- 7:45—Music and News, Sterling Drug Co.
- 8:00—State and Local News, Boring
- 8:15—Music and News, Sterling Drug Co.
- 8:30—State and Local News, Boring
- 8:45—Music and News, Sterling Drug Co.
- 9:00—State and Local News, Boring
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- 9:45—Music and News, Sterling Drug Co.
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- 11:00—State and Local News, Boring
- 11:15—Music and News, Sterling Drug Co.
- 11:30—State and Local News, Boring
- 11:45—Music and News, Sterling Drug Co.
- 12:00—State and Local News, Boring

Glendale High Quintet

Defeats Riddle, 42 to 15

GLENDAL—Glendale High
School's basketball team met and
won over Riddle High, 42 to 15,
David Clark, Glendale, reports.
The Riddle girls evened the
contest by defeating the Glendale
girls in a preliminary volleyball
game, 38-7.

The line-up:
Glendale 42—Pos. 15 Riddle
Youst 12—F. 4 Holder
Barrong 12—F. 6 Marshall
Van Dine 12—C. 4 Glanville
St. Clair 6—G. 1 Season
Winkelmann 4—G. 1 Season

Officials: Meissner, McCollum,
and Cox. Glendale substitutions:
Young, Sparks, Cooper (2 points),
Tomper (4 points), Lapath,
Debyas (2 points), Cleveland,
Harbour, L. W. Allen, Harris,
Christie, Hamilton, Riddle substi-
tutions: Darwell, Riddle, Ritzman

George B. Herington, of
Lumber Industry, Dies

PORTLAND, Dec. 18.—(AP)—
George B. Herington, 63, for-
mer labor relations director for
the WPA Western Log and
Lumber Administration here,
died yesterday.

The Portlander held a Presi-
dential Citation for distinguished
service as ODT transport person-
nel field representative. From
1925 to 1933 he served as secre-
tary to the Associated General
Contractors of America in the
Pacific Northwest.

His widow, Mary Elizabeth, and
daughter, Mrs. Susan Panton,
survive.

gon residents who came to the
territory before it was admitted
to the Union.

They were George H. Wester-
field, Ezra Eleventh Burch, H. L.
Rees and Jasper L. Hewitt, pres-
ident of the group. The signifi-
cance of the year 1850 to Oregon
and passage of the Land Dona-
tion Act of that year was subject
of an address by Harvey G.
Starkweather.

Eire Blessed By
Great Prosperity;
More Lies Ahead

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

DUBLIN, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The
comparatively new republic of
Eire has, through the vicis-
situdes of birth and not only
is enjoying greater prosperity
than Southern Ireland has known
before, but the signs seem pro-
pitious for even better times.

The way things look now the
Emerald Isle, with its silver lakes
and mild climate—a paradise for
colliers and fishermen—may be-
come a favorite holiday resort for
countries of both hemispheres.
This possibility lies in the fact
that it is a major strategic stop
on the northern air route between
America and Europe. Eire now is
energetically developing her own
airline to the big English air-
port at Croydon, from which
other lines radiate to the con-
tinent, making Ireland an easy
place to reach.

Sure, I realize the reader may
be remarking that Eire owes part
of her better times to the fact
that she was neutral in the war,
despite American and British
pleas for naval bases. It's true
that Eire did not succumb to the
temptation of a large subsidy
by her neutrality, and I shall deal
with that in another article.

Rising From Poverty

Now in speaking of greater
prosperity for Eire I don't want
to give a wrong impression. She
is vastly better off than she was,
but it's only a dozen years ago
that the poverty in many areas
was appalling. Thousands lived
on potatoes and salt, and were
happy if they had a bit of bread
as well. Starvation swept wide
areas when the potato crop failed.

The privations of the peasants
were multiplied in the cities. The
slums of Dublin were held to be
among the world's worst.

Well, now in the few years that
the government under the lead-
ership of Eamon De Valera has
been in power, there has been a
reorganization of the country's
economy. Southern Ireland used
to depend mainly on cattle rais-
ing for its income. Meantime it
imported two-thirds of its food
stuffs and much of its fodder.

Industry Strides Ahead

I visited Dublin in 1932, when
De Valera was starting his re-
form and studied his program.
The country then grew only
31,000 acres of wheat. Now it pro-
duces 660,000 acres—the entire
requirement of the country—and
grows all its fodder besides. Man-
ufactures also have been started,
though the war has interfered.
The cleaning up of slums has
gone forward and the war has
made rebuilding impossible, the
government continued to remodel
slum buildings with the existing
materials. Nowadays, too, the
unemployed, widows with children, and aged
people get help from the govern-
ment. I was told in official quar-
ters that there no longer is desti-
tution in the country. This doesn't
mean that there isn't privation
but that everybody has food. The
government assistance isn't main-
tenance, but is limited to the re-
moval of destitution.

Seven Killed When Two
Luxury Trains Collide

KOLLOCK, S. C., Dec. 17.—
(AP)—The death toll in the wreck
of two of the Seaboard Air Line's
luxury trains packed with many
holiday travelers and homeward-
bound soldiers was revised down-
ward today.

The division headquarters of the
railroad at Norfolk, Va., said
a check disclosed that only six
persons lost their lives when the
Florida-bound "Silver Meteor,"
struck through the morning
fog, ploughed into the north-
bound "Sun Queen" near here
early Sunday.

The dead were:
W. W. Shoemaker of Raleigh,
N. C., engineer on the Silver Me-
teor.

James Ferrell of Richmond,
Va., porter on the Sun Queen.

Perry Clayton Reese, Alexan-
dria, Va.
Three servicemen whose names
were withheld by military auth-
orities pending notification of the
next of kin.

Nature
Provides

Two sets of teeth and
your good Dentist can
provide more, but

You can have only one
pair of Eyes and

Your Optometrist can
best preserve their vis-
ion.

EYES EXAMINED
GLASSES FITTED

Dr. Dean Bubar

106 N. Jackson
Roseburg
PHONE

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Story Explains
Eire Neutrality
In World War 2

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Now
we come to that vexatious ques-
tion of why the Eire government
maintained neutrality during the
war and refused requests of the
United States and Britain for
badly needed naval bases.

That's a hot potato, but it has
to be handled, and the sooner
the better. I think perhaps the
best way to approach it is to tell
you of an extraordinary incident
that has happened to me here in
the capital of Eire.

I went with my camera to get
a picture of the fine old parlia-
ment building. Having secured
permission of the sentry on duty
by the big iron gates to the court-
yard, I proceeded to make four
shots. I had much difficulty be-
cause a huge statue of Queen
Victoria stood right in front of
the building and there was no
way of outflanking it. As I was
maneuvering for a fresh position,
a minor government employe in-
tervened and said I wouldn't be
permitted to publish such a photo.
"I can't have a picture of the
parliament building taken with
the queen in front of it," he de-
clared with such finality that I
promptly removed my film roll
and handed it to him.

"Well," I remarked, as I eyed
the likeness of the famous queen
who has been dead these 45 years,
"I know the feeling here against
England was bitter, but I didn't
suppose it was this bad."

Key to Explanation

He half turned away, and
ducked his head, by way of hu-
morous acknowledgement that I
had got my remark home. But he
carried my pictures off, and I
went back to my hotel, not at all
amused but on the contrary
much interested. Of course by the
time I arrived at my hotel I re-
ceived profuse apologies by tele-
phone from the head of one of
the government departments, and
he himself brought the film back
to me. He said the seizure had
been absurd.

The affair was settled with
such good-will that I repeat the
story here only because it gives
us the real key to our question of
neutrality.

The cold fact is that the people
of southern Ireland as a whole
are so bitter toward Britain that
political circles here will tell you
quietly there would have been
open revolt in some quarters if
the government had granted
bases and thus joined in the war
on the side of England. This isn't
any new discovery on my part,
because I've seen it exhibited
throughout the years that I have
known Ireland well at first hand.

Cordiality Air Noted on
Eve of Moscow Huddle

MOSCOW, Dec. 17.—(AP)—In
an atmosphere of cordiality en-
hanced by an informal prelimi-
nary meeting last night, the for-
eign ministers of the Soviet
Union, the United States and
Britain turned today to the ser-
ious business of bringing their
countries closer together in the
interests of world peace.
There was no indication when
the foreign ministers would take
up the question of control of
atomic energy. The only refer-
ence to the matter came last
night from Bevin of Britain,
when he told a press conference
that he did not expect to deviate
from the decisions reached by
British, American and Canadian
leaders at Washington last month.

Indonesians Taking Toll
Of British Warplanes

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 18.—(AP)—
At least 80 Indonesians were
killed yesterday in bitter hand-to-
hand fighting at Buitenzorg with
a British column which suffered
32 casualties, a newspaper of the
Indian division reported today.

An RAF Thunderbolt was shot
down yesterday near Soerabaja,
but the pilot was reported to
have bailed out successfully. A
RAF spokesman said that Indone-
sian anti-aircraft gunners were
firing heavier proportional
losses than the Japanese were
able to do in Burma.

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Indies, told reporters that the
British had lost 13 or 14 planes
in Java, and that four or five
of this number were shot down.

Captain Adair Released
From Army Air Force

SANTA ANA, Calif.—Capt.
Clyde W. Adair, husband of Bes-
sie Backer Adair, C.V. Star Rt.,
Roseburg, Ore., has been hono-
rably discharged from the separa-
tion base maintained here by the
Army Air Forces.

Capt. Adair is a veteran of 43
months of service in the Army
Air Forces. He served in Aus-
tralia, New Guinea and Ie Shima
with the 5th AF as an engineer-
ing officer.

The AAF has awarded him the
Asiatic Pacific ribbon with eight
stars.

Building Materials on
Cars Still Strike-Tied

SPOKANE, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Thir-
teen carloads of building mate-
rials were still standing on side-
tracks here today as a result of
the AFL Lumber and Sawmill
Workers strike in this area.

Charles Taylor, business agent
of the union here, said, "We do
not object to the cars being
moved and unloaded by the rail-
roads and the material stored on
public or railroad property. We
will not allow them to be un-
loaded behind our picket lines."