

AUTO CEILINGS BACK TO JUNE 30 LEVELS

The Weather

Clear tonight and Sunday;
warmer Sunday.

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U. S. Protests Soviet Stripping of Hungary

Clash Shaping
For Coming
Meet at ParisRussia Rejects American
Bid for Cooperation to
End Chaos in BalkansBy JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—A sharp conflict already is shaping up for the Paris peace conference between Secretary of State Byrnes and Russian Foreign Minister Molotov over Soviet reparations demands on Hungary.

The United States is insisting that a new economic deal in Hungary is essential to establishment of a firm peace in Europe. It has protested strongly Red army seizures of Hungarian foodstuffs and Soviet removals of Hungarian factories as well as current industrial production, contending the result is economic chaos in the Balkan nation.

The protest, made public by the State Department last night, highlights the difficulties confronting Byrnes as he sets out today for Paris and the 21-nation conference, opening Monday, which will write peace treaties for the former enemy states of Hungary, Italy, Bulgaria, Romania and Finland.

Byrnes and his staff reviewed some

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

TWO controlled and carefully observed tests of the atom bomb have now been made, ON THE SURFACE and AT THE MOMENT, neither has been as destructive as our excited imaginations had led us to expect.

But the tests, plus Nagasaki and Hiroshima, leave no doubt that we are face to face with a man-made force more awesome than anything human beings have hitherto known.

SUPPOSE an enemy succeeded in dropping JUST ONE of these (as yet probably crude) bombs on each of our great centers of production!...

SOME of our more excitable and LESS THOUGHTFUL publicists have been squalling angrily because our state department is said to be seeking more money and more personnel—perhaps three or four times as much of both as it has ever had before.

Bikini—plus Nagasaki and Hiroshima—suggests plainly that in the future we shall have to rely upon men who can keep us out of war rather than upon men and armaments capable of WINNING WARS AFTER THEY

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Numerous Platted Additions
Since 1940 Attest Growth of
Roseburg's Suburban Areas

An indication of Roseburg's suburban growth and development is seen in the number of real estate additions platted and filed with the county clerk during the past two years.

This year alone, 20 tracts of land on the outskirts of Roseburg have been platted into streets, blocks, and lots, for development into new housing areas. At least two more plats were submitted this week to County Surveyor Ben B. Irving for approval, and four others have been approved for other locations in the county.

Last year approximately 18 plats were filed; between 1940 and 1944, two or three a year, but none at all from 1938 to 1940. The recent increases correspond with the influx in population brought here by the lumber industry, and with the accompanying demand for homes.

Owners of real estate who wish to plat their land must have it surveyed by a registered surveyor or engineer, who will draw a map for the approval of city and county officials.

Must Meet Standards

The city has the power, granted by state law, to disapprove all new plats within six miles of the city limits if they do not conform to standards set up by the city council or planning commission. This power is now exercised by Roseburg's city council, which in-

Sanitarian Plan for
Douglas County Hit
By Neuner's Ruling

The Douglas County Court has no authority to levy a tax to employ a sanitarian in view of the failure of the budget committee to provide funds for the office, Attorney General George Neuner ruled today in an opinion requested by District Attorney H. A. Canaday.

The legal question was referred by the County Court to the district attorney, who, in turn, requested the attorney general's opinion.

It was contended that rejection by the budget committee of requests for funds to establish the office of county sanitarian stopped the court from including the item in the budget for the forthcoming year.

The court's powers at the final hearing, held July 22, were limited, it was claimed, to amendments to budgetary items set up by the committee. While the law permits minor changes to be made in the budget as a whole or in any of its departments, the court doubted that it could insert an entirely new item, particularly after it had been rejected by the committee.

A strong appeal was made at the public hearing for inclusion of the sanitarian as a part of the health department, the county court withholding decision pending a ruling on its authority.

Civilians to Rule
Atomic Energy

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—President Truman got advice from Congress members today to appoint a cross-section of American scientists, business, diplomacy, and national defense to the domestic atomic control commission.

One of those tendering it was Chairman McMahon of the Senate's special atomic committee. He said he would urge Mr. Truman to pick men in whom the whole country will have confidence to wield the unprecedented powers granted a five-member board under legislation approved yesterday by Congress.

Mr. Truman has yet to sign the measure but Charles Ross, his secretary, said his signature is certain. Ross called the bill "100 per cent in line" with the President's views.

The board it provides for will have control over atomic energy developments throughout the United States. The legislation also gives the government, through the commission, a virtual monopoly on inventions and patents in the field of atomic energy, provides the death penalty for major violations of security with intent to injure the United States, and directs that a member of the armed forces head the division of military application under the commission.

Big Scale Barbecue

LOS ANGELES, July 27.—(AP)—This barbecue fire was about as big as they come. It destroys the Albert & Zola Barbecue Company, with loss including damage to other buildings, totaling \$86,000.

War Profits
Quiz Takes on
Wider Scope

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—Senator Ferguson said today the Senate War Investigating Committee is investigating the reported effort of a Detroit firm to get a war contract through an individual in Washington who allegedly claimed he had "influence."

The senator, a member of the committee, declined to name the firm involved.

He told reporters, however, "if there's anybody in any state that was in on these deals I want it exposed just the same as anybody else, and it doesn't make any difference what his politics were or are."

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Rents Top Worry
Before Zone OPA(By the Associated Press)
The Portland consumers' committee planned today to continue a "buyers' strike" despite the resurrection of OPA, and announced plans to oppose in the November election candidates who have not supported price control.

The district OPA was flooded with queries from sellers and consumers. The chief problem seemed to be rents.

Two Astoria auto court owners greeted the return of price control by locking the doors of their 16 housing units, and announcing they would not reopen until the OPA dies or until their ceilings are upped.

Jackson T. Moore, district rent executive, reminded landlords that they must not only cancel any rent increases, but also put back those ceiling-rent signs which many tore down after June 30.

Sam O. Plunkett, secretary of the Oregon Apartment House Association, said there had been few rent boosts in Oregon, and few evictions.

Bill Signed Returning
Jobs Service to States

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—President Truman yesterday signed the \$1,155,015,670 labor-federal security appropriation bill containing a section returning the United States Employment Service to state operation next November 15.

In addition to restoring the USES to state control in November, despite the President's earlier request for federal operation until next July, the legislation changes the legal definition of agricultural workers.

It stipulates that agricultural workers shall be those so defined in the fair labor standard act rather than in the Social Security Act, the change affecting the status of processing workers in some cases.

Shriners Map \$1 Million
Program for Hospitals

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—(AP)—Shriners yesterday mapped a \$1,000,000 program of expansion for Shrine hospitals devoted to treatment of crippled children.

Announcement of the plans came at the conclusion of the three-day convention.

George H. Rowe of Buffalo, N. Y., the new imperial potentate, said he would seek a year's leave of absence from his duties as New York supreme court justice to visit every shrine temple in America.

Painter, Wife Adopt All
Of French Community

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., July 27.—(AP)—Portrait Painter Girard Hale and his wife, Kathleen, have virtually adopted the entire community of Maille, France.

They already have sent the 366 surviving residents of the village, ravaged by German troops in August, 1944, more than 12,000 items of vitally needed supplies ranging from school furniture to layettes.

Bared War Scandals
Only Mild Starter,
Ellsworth Asserts

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—Rep. Harris Ellsworth of Oregon predicted today that if Republicans win control of the House or Senate, or both, in this year's elections, war scandals will be divulged that will shake the Capital to its "very foundations."

He said the present inquiry by the Senate War Investigating Committee into the affairs of Henry M. Garsson and his associates in a munitions combine "is actually just a dress rehearsal for what is to come."

"Even if the political control of the Congress does not change, further scandals will be revealed," Ellsworth said. "However, if the Republicans obtain control of either the House or Senate, or both, the May affair and even the famous Teapot Dome scandal will have about the same relative rating in comparison to future revelations as a firecracker would to an atomic bomb."

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Wave of Tourists
Rolls Into Oregon

PORTLAND, July 27.—(AP)—A hundred million dollar tourist business in Oregon this year—twice the 1941 high—was predicted today by Chamber of Commerce officials as they watched a steadily growing stream of visitors.

The chamber reported that 27,000 more out-of-state cars than in 1941 had been clocked on the Oregon Coast Highway this season. Railroads were making reservations ahead, and the most pessimistic report from any airline was that there weren't quite as many people sitting about in the office these days in the hope of a cancellation.

Sight-seeing tours, re-established after the war, said business was "comfortably heavy" and was expected to reach capacity next month. Forests generally were crowded, although Crater Lake National Park has not had as many visitors as in the peak year of '41.

Oregon's beach resorts were not proving as jammed as expected, although the recent heat wave buoyed business up. Portland hotels can't fill their requests for reservations, however.

Slaughter of Poultry
Refutes Dodd's Claim

PORTLAND, Ore., July 27.—(AP)—Oregon poultry growers killed approximately one million chickens because of the recent feed shortage, State Agriculture Director Peterson said yesterday in challenging a statement made in Washington by N. E. Dodd, assistant secretary of the Department of Agriculture.

Dodd was quoted as saying the poultry feed situation was much improved in Oregon and Washington and the threatened liquidation of flocks had not materialized.

Peterson said, "I feel the statement should be repudiated with the record," and asserted that Oregon has only 60 per cent as many turkeys maturing for the fall market as a year ago.

He said "the only relief that came to the feed situation in Oregon was from our own early harvest."

Petition for Umatilla
County PUD Filed

SALEM, Ore., July 27.—(AP)—Preliminary petition for creation of the Umatilla County Peoples Utility District was filed with the State Hydroelectric Commission here today.

The commission said it probably would order a hearing on the petition to be held in September.

The district would include 1,270 square miles and 20,000 persons. It would have an assessed valuation of \$30,000,000.

Cities in the proposed district include Pendleton, Adams, Athena, Echo, Helix, Hermiston, Pilot Rock, Stanfield, Umatilla and Weston.

Skunk Surplus Reduced;
Prices Soar Upward

DALLAS, Ore., July 27.—(AP)—Skunks are out of the bargain basement.

Mrs. Sadie Reddekopp McNeal, who does a neat business in the deodorized variety, reported a few days ago that prices hit the skunks because she had too many animals and too few buyers.

Bargain hunters took care of that and now she says the price is up again—to around \$1,000, for instance, for an albino.

Confession of
3 Killings Due
From Heirens

CHICAGO, July 27.—(AP)—Malachy Coghlan, attorney for William Heirens, said today the youth would offer to submit to State's Attorney William Tuohy confessions of the kidnap-killing of Suzanne Degnan, the "lipstick" slaying of Frances Brown and the fatal stabbing of Mrs. Josephine Ross.

"The defense feels that the time has come for Heirens to make known by confession to the state's attorney the facts of the various crimes charged against him."

Coghlan was asked whether the confession would include the slaying of Mrs. Josephine Ross, a killing of which the youth has not been charged but was reported to have confessed orally to his attorneys.

There is no need to quibble about the number of homicides," he replied. "There are three. They are the Degnan girl, the ex-WAVE Miss Brown and Mrs. Josephine Ross."

The youth, the attorney confirmed, discussed the three slayings at a conference in the county jail yesterday with his parents and lawyers.

The offer of a confession would save Heirens slaying without any evidence having been obtained to tie the youth to that crime.

Fingerprints in Evidence
In the Degnan case, the youth's finger and palm prints were found on the ransom note. In the

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Congress Salary Hike
Bill Sent to Truman

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—The Senate yesterday completed congressional action on legislation sharply reorganizing Senate House procedures and raising members' pay from \$10,000 to \$12,500 a year.

The Senate concurred in House amendments and sent the measure to President Truman. He had asked for the congressional machinery overhaul and also suggested even a higher pay raise as needed to compensate legislators properly.

The Senate, which had voted a \$15,000 annual salary for members, accepted the House provision for a \$12,500 salary plus a \$2,500 expense allowance.

Plywood Corporation
Sells Sutherland Plant

SUTHERLIN—Springfield Plywood Corporation, which has owned and operated a sawmill and logging operation in Sutherland the past two years, has sold the mill to Rock Island Lumber Company of Idaho, the sale effective August 1.

In addition to employees now offered a number of workmen of the Rock Island Lumber Company will find employment here.

The sawmill was originally built by S. A. Schiemann, and later was owned by Shaw Wiseman Lumber Company and L. H. Schetky.

Georgia's Governor Offers
Rewards for Mobsters Who
Gunned Two Negro Couples

ATLANTA, July 27.—(AP)—Governor Ellis Arnall today offered rewards totaling more than \$10,000 for solution of the out-of-hand mob slaying in Walton county of two Negro farm hands and their wives.

The state executive told newsmen that he was ordering the state police to remain in the county "until the guilty parties have been identified and turned over to law enforcement officers."

The governor said "the decent people of Georgia are humiliated about the mass murder of four Negroes in Walton County by an unknown mob of some 20 desperadoes."

As governor of Georgia I am offering a reward to the full limit of the law. Five hundred dollars will be paid for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of each participant in the massacre. These rewards will total more than \$10,000. The lawless gang must be arrested and brought to justice."

The governor added "this mass murder is one of the worst incidents ever to take place in our state. The killing of innocent people is disgraceful morally and legally."

Arnall's statement followed a suggestion from the head of the



EXPRESSIONS REVEAL DOUBLE NATURE—Split personality dominating William Heirens, 17, suspected kidnaper and murderer, is revealed in photos made in a Chicago criminal court, where he appeared for arraignment. At left, Heirens appears studious, religious, hard working as he was known at University of Chicago. Right is "George Murman" (invented name), indicted yesterday on two murder charges. One accused Heirens of strangling 6-year-old Suzanne Degnan last Jan. 7, the other with shooting and stabbing ex-WAVE Frances Brown in her apartment on Dec. 10, 1945. Heirens' attorney said insanity would be the defense plea.

Evaluation of Property for
Tax Base Enables Rural Fire
Zone to Proceed With Budget

To a valuation of property for determining the tax base of the Roseburg Rural Fire Protection District is \$1,402,040, County Assessor Ned Dixon reported this week.

The assessor's office had been delayed in arriving at this figure, Dixon explained, by uncertainties whether public utility rights of way should be taxed. The legal question was raised by a provision in the rural fire district law exempting railroad rights of way and improvements thereon from taxation by the districts.

An opinion from the state tax commission stated that power lines, water mains, and other public utility property within a right of way, separate from a railroad right of way, are taxable for fire protection.

On authority from the tax commission, the assessor's office has determined the value of public utility property in the fire district to be \$30,440, Dixon said.

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College Night Shifts
For War Vets Proposed

PORTLAND, July 27.—(AP)—A proposal that Oregon's colleges start night shifts in order to accept more students came from veterans' organization heads today.

The group, meeting here yesterday with Governor Snell, also urged revamping the state educational veterans' act, providing more service for veterans in the outlying parts of the state, and organizing a school to train service officers in problems of World War II servicemen.

George E. Sandy was directed to draw up tentative plans for the veterans' service school.

Section Voted Out of
Rail Retirement Bill

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—The Senate yesterday eliminated a whole section of a railroad retirement revision bill which would have extended retirement benefits to employees of freight-forwarding companies and railroad-connected trucking services.

The vote was 40 to 35. The action came after many senators had protested the section covered employees of ice and other companies which do only an incidental business with the railroad and are not owned or controlled by the carriers.

State Biennium Welfare
Cost Fixed at \$50 Million

PORTLAND, July 28.—(AP)—Oregon welfare and old age assistance will cost approximately \$50,000,000 in the 1947-48 biennium, an increase of \$17,000,000, an estimate presented to the public welfare commission indicated.

Miss Loa Howard, administrator, pointed out that the total includes federal grants. The rest of the cost is met by counties from taxation and the state from liquor control commission revenues.

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Price Order
Affects Both
Old, New CarsHigher Tops on New Cars
Slated, However, Along
With Prices of Clothing

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—Ceiling prices of both new and used automobiles are restored to June 30 levels, OPA announced today, although higher prices on new automobiles will be issued shortly.

Pending announcement of new price schedules, all transactions must conform to the June 30 ceilings "even in cases where the buyer agreed during the interim, when price controls were off, to pay in excess of the ceiling and made a down payment," the agency ruled.

Ceilings of used cars were dropped four per cent as of July 1, a reduction which became effective automatically with the OPA revival act. "This was the regular semi-annual reduction to take account of depreciation."

The forthcoming ceilings on new cars—which some officials say will be approximately \$100 on popular price models—are based on a requirement of the new law restoring dealers' new profit margins which OPA had reduced.

Consumer Aid Asked
OPA Administrator Porter predicted the new price law will "prevent a runaway inflation" but warned that some prices—particularly of clothing—are going to climb.

While his re-born agency scrambled to issue 30 to 40 new price increases, orders on top of yesterday's 143, Porter appeared in an address prepared for broadcast for consumer help in enforcing the OPA act.

The law "authorizes price increases that 'neither you nor I would like to see,' he said, "but it will provide a real measure of protection for millions of Americans who simply have no reserves with which to ride out an inflationary storm."

"When prices and rents went on vacation a month ago, they

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City's Population
Upped 100 Per Cent

Roseburg's population has increased 100 per cent since 1860 and is estimated at 10,500 within a radius of five miles of the city center, according to statistics compiled in connection with the new Roseburg-Douglas County Directory.

The new directory was being distributed to subscribers today by T. W. Salisbury, publisher. The Eugene firm also compiles and publishes directories for Eugene-Springfield and Lane county; Albany, Lebanon and Linn county; Grants Pass and Josephine county.

Roseburg's directory contains five sections—an alphabetical listing of people and business firms, rural mail routes, statistical data and other miscellaneous facts; a ranked numerical section of people and business firms of the county receiving mail at points outside Roseburg; numerical listing of telephone numbers on the Roseburg exchange, and a classified buyers' and sellers' guide.

Census listings are checked up to April, 1946, when the book was sent to the printer.

Only a limited number of directories are available to persons other than subscribers. Mr. Salisbury reports. Order blanks have been placed with the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce.

Sun Spots Snarl Radio;
Aurora Borealis Glows

NEW YORK, July 27.—(AP)—International radio communication was snarled for the third consecutive day today by atmospheric conditions resulting from a sun spot "outburst."

Press Wireless, Inc., Mackay Radio, and RCA reported a "total blackout" on communications with Europe. But Press Wireless Europe said the sun spot caused only "very slight" interference on their north-south circuit to South America.

The sun spot treated residents of many parts of the country to a brilliant display of northern lights last night. The Aurora Borealis was visible from New York to Texas.

At Seattle the Alaska communications system said the disturbance interfered seriously with radio transmissions to Alaska.

Lovity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

President Truman will doubtless sign the bill to increase congressmen's salary from the present mere pittance of \$10,000 a year. The alternative of establishing and maintaining a poor-house for our sorely-beset solons would hardly be within the possibility of national tolerance.