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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon
Forecast for Roseburg and vi-
cinity: Clear tonight and Wednes-
day; cooler Wednesday.
Highest temp. for any April... 96
Lowest temp. for any April... 48
Highest temp. yesterday... 88
Lowest temp. last night... 47
Precipitation yesterday... 0
Precipitation from April 1... 1.55
Excess from April 1... 2.26
Deficit from Sept. 1... 2.26

In the Day's News

(Continued from page 1)

Rome levied no taxes on Roman
citizens, the entire cost of gov-
ernment being derived from levies
made on conquered peoples.

LET'S be brutally realistic about
this business of reparations.
It is another term for RANSOM
AND LOOT. In the bad old days
of the world (and in some days
not so old) the DESIRE FOR
RANSOM AND LOOT was one of
the chief reasons for going to
war.

THE ancient historians (begin-
ning with Herodotus, who
first wrote history down in
words) make it clear to us that
for long, long centuries the
Scythians, who poured down out
of the country that now is Rus-
sia to burn and raid and kill
among the democracies of the
Mediterranean world, sought
LOOT PRIMARILY.

Attila, who with his Huns came
swarming out of this same coun-
try that now is Russia, sought loot
and plunder, Genghis Khan and
his Mongols, and the fairly long
line of Mongol leaders who came
after Genghis (also out of this
same country that now is a part
of Russia) did likewise.

They were fighting for no
sacred causes. They envisioned
no systems that would create a world
for the common man that would
be better than any world that had
been before.

THEY WANTED LOOT.
OUR record isn't perfect.
We warred on the Indians, and
we took their country. We
went to war with Mexico, and we
took a lot of territory by way of
"reparation" for Mexico's mistake
in going to war with us, a strong-
er nation. We went to war with
Spain, and we took the Philip-
pines and Puerto Rico and a lot
of assorted islands away from her
as her penalty for being beaten.

But at least we reformed as we
got older. In World War I, we
asked no reparations from ANY-
BODY. We paid our own bills. It
was the same in World War II.
We are asking no loot, no ran-
soms, no "reparations" from any-
one.

RUSSIA is asking reparations.
Her Vishinsky says in Mos-
cow this morning that reparations
are the HEART of any set-
tlement that she will be willing to
accept.

THERE are many people in our
country who contend that Rus-
sia is all right and we are all
wrong. That her system is good
and ours is bad.

Before believing them, delve in-
to this reparations business. Un-
der any name, it doesn't smell too
sweet. It goes back to the old,
dangerous principle that WAR
CAN BE MADE HIGHLY PROFIT-
ABLE IF YOU WIN.

We don't believe in that prin-
ciple.

LABOR LACK IN HOUSING
Needs is Predicted
That a serious labor shortage is
in prospect throughout South-
western Oregon is the belief of
R. F. Rohman, business agent for
this district's Council of Carpen-
ters Unions.

Rohman, who resides at Coos
Bay, states that the coastal city
situation, concerning housing and
labor, is a replica of that at Rose-
burg, and he expects to see a
crisis in construction develop in
the near future.

He added that at Reedsport
building is booming. The city is
about to have a new bank, former-
ly located at Gardiner. At Coos
Bay he said the housing shortage
is tending to hold down imme-
diate growth of population.

SERVICE TO TOURISTS

Tourist business nationally furnishes employment to ap-
proximately 2,400,000 persons, based upon recreational ex-
penditure of \$10 billion, reports the Oregon Advertising
Club, spearheading promotional efforts connected with
Oregon Tourist Week.

"Oregon's share of this employment can be what she cares
to make it," the statement continues.

But before Oregon can expect to share proportionately
in benefits from tourist income, it must shake off its apathy
and adopt modern promotional efforts.

Oregon's tourist revenue is a mere fraction of amounts
left in California and Washington. California gets the lion's
share of tourist income because of its promotional work. We
have ridiculed for years California's extravagant weather
claims, with emphasis on sunshine, but California's climatic
propaganda has paid hugely in dollars.

A visitor in our office recently was telling us his experi-
ence in Arizona. He was travelling at high speed to reach a
California destination by nightfall while returning from a
visit in the midwest and was treading heavily on the gas as
he traversed a piece of straightaway road at the Arizona
border.

Suddenly he caught a glimpse of a motorcycle policeman
in pursuit and pulled to a stop beside the highway at the
sound of a siren.

"Travelling pretty fast weren't you?" asked the speed cop.

The motorist explained the distance he had to travel and
his desire to reach his destination by early evening, but he
could see his persuasion falling upon deaf ears, as the police-
man drew a book from his pocket.

Then the cop, after tearing a leaf from his book, reached
inside the car, to slap a "Welcome to Arizona" sticker on the
windshield.

"We don't like to have people travelling fast through
Arizona," he said. "There are so many things you can't see
unless you travel slowly."

"Just beyond the next rise," he continued, "there's a turn-
out in the highway. Stop there and look. You will see a
desert covered with the most beautiful of wild flowers, the
Painted Desert. Look at that scene for a few minutes and
you'll lose all desire to hurry."

The policeman continued to outline some of the scenic
spots to be seen along the route. He suggested some side
trips. He furnished the motorist a map on which scenic spots
were prominently identified. Then with a hearty: "Travel
slowly and see Arizona," he took off after another speeder.

Our friend, who was in such a hurry to reach California,
spent three days in Arizona.

During the past several weeks, while forced to make nu-
merous trips on behalf of legislation to protect the Umpqua
River from further depletion of its fishery resource, we had
the good fortune to make several of those trips in company
with John Amacher, president of the Roseburg Rod and
Gun Club. Mr. Amacher was born in Switzerland. He went
to a school in which he was trained in hotel work. He was
employed in some of Switzerland's finest resorts prior to
coming to the United States, where he became a citizen at
the earliest opportunity.

Because tourist revenue forms, by far, the greatest part
of the Swiss income, the nationals of that country are ex-
tremely tourist conscious. Amacher relates. Children are
trained from the first grade in school to show courtesy and
helpfulness to tourists. Each community has its *Verkehrs*
Verein or "Travel Society" in which townspeople and busi-
nesses cooperate to promote tourist income.

Here in Oregon we must generate a spirit of service and
courtesy if we propose to capitalize upon the huge tourist
income available to us.

Switzerland gains its national wealth from service to tour-
ists. California has transformed desert wastelands into a
recreational paradise, where resorts charging \$50 per day,
per head, are booked to capacity for two and three years in
advance. Yet Oregon, with a virtually untouched natural
playground, would be pleased if 1947 tourist income hits
\$100 million.

It is to be hoped that Oregon Tourist Week will occasion
some awareness of the opportunity knocking at our door.

at the 61st annual grand conclave
of the lodge yesterday.
Other officers: Eugene H.
Tardy, Grants Pass, captain-gen-
eral; Lyman C. Palmer, Eugene,
senior warden; R. H. C. Bennett,
Newberg, junior warden.

DECEIVING APPEARANCES.
WEST LOS ANGELES, April
15.—(AP)—"The world is gold."
That is what a burglar wrote in
German, on a mirror in the home
of Prof. Max S. Dunn, after
pocketing some jewelry.

Now the thief can add to his
repertoire the saying "All that
glitters is not gold." The pro-
fessor told police the loss was
entirely in costume jewelry.

KRNR
Mutual Broadcasting System
1480 Kilocycles
REMAINING HOURS TODAY:
4:00—Fulton Lewis Jr.
4:15—Rex Miller, Nelson
4:30—Good News Program, Assembly
of God.
4:45—News
5:00—Musical Interlude
5:15—Superman, Kellogg's
5:30—Captain Midnight, Wanders Co.
5:45—Tom Mix, Ralston Purina
6:00—Gladys Beatty, Healthful
6:15—Musical Interlude
6:30—State and Local News, Roseburg
Market Co.
6:45—Songs by Laura Lee
7:00—Music You Remember, Douglas
Supply Co.
7:15—Special Investigator, Commercial
Credit Co.
7:30—Spelling Bee, Layman's
8:00—One Man's Family, Copco
8:15—Oregon Travel West
8:30—The Falcon, American States
Ranger Corp.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Lab.
9:15—James Crowley, Whitcomb
9:30—Evening Serenade, E. G. High
9:45—Dale Burgess Orch.
10:00—Fulton Lewis Jr., Umpqua
Valley Hardware
(10:15—Vocalists
10:30—Ten Thirty Club, Lawson's
11:00—Sign Off.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1947
9:00—Farm Bulletin, Laura Lee
9:15—Ridge Summit, Johnson
9:30—Yarn Patrol
9:45—Schubert Quartet

Little Theater
Group Planned at
Veterans Hospital

Organization of a "Little The-
ater" group will be attempted in
Roseburg during a five-day dra-
matics school sponsored by the
Veterans Administration at the
Roseburg Veterans hospital, April
18 to 23. It was announced today
by Dr. George Melvin, manager.
Opportunity will be offered all lo-
cal persons having talent in dra-
matics, music, dancing, etc., to ac-
quire professional training under
the direction of three actresses
who have been especially trained
in the art of organizing and di-
recting stage entertainment. This
trip consists of Miss Frances
Richards, Miss Colleen Ward and
Miss Martha Jones.

Miss Richards has appeared in
several motion pictures. Miss
Ward has had an extensive radio
career and Miss Jones has had
Broadway and touring experi-
ence.

The actress-directors are af-
filiated with the American The-
ater Wing, which promotes enter-
tainment in veterans hospitals.
Their work is jointly sponsored
by the National Theater Confer-
ence and American Educational
Theater Association.

The program is designed to or-
ganize and train local entertain-
ers to arrange and conduct hospi-
tal shows for patients at the
veterans hospital. All persons
with entertainment talent are in-
vited to be present for the first
meeting to be held Friday, April
18. The training program will be
outlined at the Friday night
meeting.

LETTERS
to the EditorCritic Puzzled by
Telephone Strike

I am still puzzled about condi-
tions. I was educated to believe
this was a free country. Is it?
I remember the time when we
knew nothing about telephones
or radios—when we did not know
we could talk with our friends
across the ocean. We counted it
a great blessing when we could
talk over a wire with a friend
in the same town.

The telephone had been a won-
derful blessing—when dashes
and dots over wires especially
charged for service spelled out
a message; but the time came
when every little boy was
stretching a wire from house to
barn with a tin can at each end,
and the tin can was the mouth-
piece, then the receiver. With
praise and satisfaction, I watched
the development—the develop-
ment of a great blessing.

The creator gave to man the
power of mind to develop that
which can be a blessing or a
curse. What puzzles me is why,
in the light of these blessings,
one body of men should so dis-
agree with another body of men
(let the word "men" be inclu-
sive) that the whole country be
deprived of this great blessing?

A few days ago I had an ac-
cident. It wasn't necessary to call
a doctor but I surely did need
help. I could have called and
said an emergency existed, but
when I said to one of my family,
"Come over, I want to see you,"
then I would have been in trou-
ble because I was protecting my
dear ones from a nervous shock,
and I was in no condition to
stand by the phone and plead my
case and then perhaps been ac-
cused of deception. Consequently,
in agony I cared for my injury
and will soon forget it.

But I am giving my own ex-
perience with the knowledge that
my years have given me—ex-
periences that I can do for my-
self when considering all ages
of people, nine out of 10 would
have been helpless.

The thought has come to me
that the foundation for all strikes
seems to be in the nationwide
organizations. A small business
organization can come to an
agreement satisfactorily much
easier than a large or nation-
wide union.

Personally my observation has
been that personal acquaintance
is a help to all solutions. I am
not even attempting to find out
the reason for these present
strikes but I do think a monopoly
in any line is a mistake.

The entire business is still a
puzzle to me. Can our Congress
work out a solution? I hope so.
Mrs. Emma P. Woods,
Roseburg, Ore.

State Press Comment

Welfare Via Liquor
Revenue, Sales Tax

(Portland Oregonian)
Price juggling to reduce inven-
tories, stimulate slow moving
brands of liquor and cable new
money from popular brands is
the Oregon liquor control com-
mission's answer to the legisla-
tive demand that it produce \$22-
000,000 in profits in the biennium
starting July 1, plus \$2,000,000
which is a deficit for this biennium.
The commission has insisted
that it could promise no more

than \$11,500,000 for next biennium.

The big revenue source from
liquor is the state share of the
cost of public welfare, require-
ments for which have almost
doubled since last biennium. But
there is no assurance that liquor
can pay the welfare bill. There
are, indeed, national and local
trends in liquor buying to advise
that liquor profits are on the
downgrade, and that no amount
of juggling will produce the li-
quor revenue needed by Oregon
to provide even minimum old
age assistance and general wel-
fare to the destitute.

The single backstop suggested
by the legislature requires ap-
proval of the voters in October.
It is the sales tax, one-sixth of
the revenues from which (\$5-
500,000 to the remaining 18
months of the biennium from
January 1, 1948) would be made
available for welfare. It is a pub-
lic responsibility to provide an
additional and stable source of
funds for welfare and it should
be borne in mind that the sales
tax will touch only lightly the
expenditures of the welfare ben-
eficiaries, since virtually all their
purchases are for food and ser-
vices which are exempt from tax.

Board Resigns in
School Union Row

BAKER, Ore., April 15.—(AP)—
The entire school board of the
Haines district resigned yester-
day because of "differences of
opinion and community conflicts
in regard to board policy." School
Clerk D. H. Potter resigned to-
day.

The three-man board, includ-
ing L. R. Young, chairman, R. A.
Ward, and W. A. Daugherty,
made its decision Friday follow-
ing the Union High School dis-
trict referendum held in Haines.
Young stated today that the
board had opposed the proposed
union high district, which would
have included Muddy Creek, Lone
Pine, Rock Creek, North Powder,
and Haines, because it feels the
Baker High School has as much
to offer in the way of facilities
and at a lower cost. At present
Haines sends its children to
Baker high school. Haines voters
rejected the union high proposal
by a vote of 90 to 25.

The resigning board members
have been active on the board
for some time, Young since 1922,
Ward and Daugherty for nine
years.

Mrs. Myrtle Lee, county school
superintendent, declared that if
an election can be held to name
a new board, such action will be
taken at once. If not, she will
appoint a board.

Mrs. M. D. Germond,
Pioneer, Passes

Mrs. Mary Drusilla Germond,
94, well known resident of Ump-
qua vicinity, passed away at her
home Sunday evening, April 13,
following a short illness.
Born in West Virginia Nov. 19,
1852, she has been a resident of
Douglas County for the past 70
years. She was a member of the
Methodist Church. Surviving are
her two sons, J. S. Germond,
Umpqua, and C. L. Germond,
Roseburg, and eight grandchil-
dren and seven great-grandchil-
dren.

Services will be held in the
Community Church, Oakland,
Thursday, at 2 P. M. Rev. J. K.
Howard officiating. Interment
will be in Coles Valley cemetery.
Arrangements are in care of the
Stearns Mortuary, of Oakland.

RECRUITER ASSIGNED
Gunner's Mate 3/c Charles R.
Kay has been assigned to Rose-
burg by the officer in charge of
Naval recruiting in the interests
of Navy enlistment work.

Kay will also assist Ensign
David Hill and Chief Petty Of-
ficer Roy Hebard with the local
Naval Reserve program. He can
be contacted at the recruiting of-
fice in the Armory.

NEW MANAGER NAMED
Walter L. Lake, recently ap-
pointed manager of Investors
Syndicate for Douglas County by
the division office in Eugene, es-
tablished residence in Roseburg
with his wife and two daughters
last week.

Former member of the Army
Air Force, Lake will handle busi-
ness contacts of the national firm
in this county. He resides at 717
W. Mosher St.

LIQUOR SALES DROP
PORTLAND, April 15.—(AP)—
Liquor sales declined slightly in
Oregon in the first quarter of
this year. Liquor Administrator
William Hammon reported.

He said sales totaled \$8,953,548
in the first three months of 1947,
compared with \$9,032,651 in the
same period last year. Sale of
permits also dropped from \$312-
32 in the first three months of
1946 to \$250,092 this year.

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Warning Issued
Against Children
Playing in Streets

Warning against the hazards to
children playing in the street,
Superintendent Paul S. Elliott to-
day urged parents to encourage
children to play in safe places as
part of the campaign against
summer-time traffic accidents.

"Figures compiled in the office
of Secretary of State Farrell
show that accidents involving
children playing in the street in-
crease during the period after
school has dismissed for the sum-
mer vacation," Elliott declared.
"During the past six years, Ore-
gon fatalities involving children
playing in the street have aver-
aged five annually. Most of these
fatalities occur during the sum-
mer months."

The superintendent said ac-
cidents of this type could be placed
in the category of "preventable
accidents," since the use of streets
as play areas has long been recog-
nized as a dangerous one.

"In the schools, we try to em-
phasize the importance of playing
in safe places and during the sum-
mer months, parents should sup-
plement this instruction by en-
couraging their children to play
only in lots, or yards, away from
vehicular traffic."

"Join the state-wide campaign
to prevent preventable accidents
during the summer months."

Dancer, Friend to
Be Indicted In
Killing on Yacht

HAVANA, Cuba, April 15.—(AP)—
Judge Santiago Mendia declar-
ed yesterday that he would indict
dancer Patricia Schmidt for homi-
cide in the slaying of John Lester
Mee of Chicago and order her
held without bail.

He said he also would indict
Charles Jackson, a friend of the
21-year-old Toledo, Ohio, girl and
of Mee, as an accessory. The
judge, who as head of the court
of instruction has power to bring
the charges, asserted that Jack-
son had concealed facts but that
he probably would be allowed
bail.

Mee, 33, was shot in the neck
Tuesday on the yacht *Satira*
which he and Jackson, Navy vet-
erans, owned jointly. He died Sun-
day. Miss Schmidt declared the
shooting was an accident.

Mee, member of a socially
prominent family in Wilmette,
Ill., Chicago suburb, leaves a wife,
Mrs. Mary Dixon Mee, 27,
who dances in a near North Side
Chicago cafe under the name of
Marilyn Drake.

Mee was a PT boat commander
in the war. His father, Dr. Lester
E. Mee, and the doctor's nephew,
John F. Arnold, Chicago lawyer,
both have gone to Havana.

Wallace Refuses
To Silence Tongue

LONDON, April 15.—(AP)—
Henry A. Wallace declared in a
statement yesterday that "I shall
go on speaking out for the peace
wherever men will listen to me
until the end of my days."

The former vice president of
the United States thus defied Con-
gressional criticism of the cam-
paign he has been conducting in
Western Europe against Presi-
dent Truman's foreign policy.

"Only if a state of war existed
could I be accused of giving aid
and comfort to an enemy in ex-
pressing my point of view," he as-
serted.

The British Broadcasting Corp.
was criticized in newspapers for
giving Wallace broadcast time at a
favored spot Sunday night for a
speech.

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INGS ADMINISTRATION, FED-
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NIA, APRIL 1, 1947.—Sealed bids,
in triplicate, will be received at
this office until 2 P. M., May 1,
1947, and then publicly opened,
for furnishing the materials and
performing the work for new
heating boiler, etc., at the U. S.
P. O. Building, Roseburg, Ore-
gon, in strict accordance with
the specifications dated PB-DIV-
7, January 24, 1947, and draw-
ings (if any) mentioned therein;
and the general conditions dated
Sept. 15, 1942, and addendum
thereto dated May 13, 1944. Spec-
ifications and other data may be
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of the building or the office of
the division engineer, J. E. Stan-
ton, Division Engineer.

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talk in which he asserted that
"the immense power and wealth
of America is being used for
strategic and military pur-
poses."
Wallace's speeches and the en-
suing American criticism brought
him, he said, only three cable-
grams from the United States. He
did not name the senders.

Each message congratulated
the former vice-president and
urged him to continue his cam-
paign. He had a sheaf of congrat-
ulatory messages from Britons,
and several invitations to speak
at other British cities.

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