

# TRUMAN ASKS NEW TRUCE IN STEEL DISPUTE



LILA DUDLEY, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Fender of Riverside, is pictured beside a tremendous lemon which grows upon an exceedingly diminutive tree in the window of the Fender home. The plant was secured from California and this is the second fruit it has borne.

## Two Fires In Portland's Business District Deal Damage Of \$600,000

PORTLAND, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Three hundred firemen fought for two hours today to quell a spectacular fire that burned out a five-story furniture company warehouse on S. W. First avenue. Smoke settled down in a dense pall over the business district to the west, then was swept east over the new Journal building. Flames burst in a boiling mass out of the windows in the old structure, part of a group of richly ornamented-front buildings which are relics of the days when First avenue was the showplace of Portland's business.

## Top-Class Rodeo Billed At Riddle For 2 Afternoons

The final opportunity of the year for Douglas county rodeo enthusiasts to enjoy bronc riding, calf roping and bull riding at its best will be given the afternoons of Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 24 and 25, at Riddle. Ike Orr, president of the Riddle Riding and Roping club, sponsors, announced that all plans have been completed for the big affair, which will start at 2:00 o'clock each of the two days.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
THERE is BIG news. Britain cuts the dollar value of the pound sterling from \$4.03 to \$2.80.  
THESE events follow:  
British banks are closed.  
The London stock exchange and stock exchanges in France, Holland, Greece, South Africa and many other countries are shut down. The opening of the New York stock exchange this morning is followed by a short-lived BURST of selling.  
Foreign exchange trading is forbidden in much of Europe and the sterling area (meaning that part of the world which uses the pound sterling as its unit of money value.) In London, hurried brokers trade stocks and bonds ON THE SIDEWALKS.  
The dispatches add:  
It was the biggest financial turmoil the world has seen since Britain went off the gold standard one Sunday night in September back in 1931 (going off the gold standard had the same effect as this arbitrary cut in the dollar value of the pound.)  
YOU will deduce from all this that the devaluation of the

## DOUGLAS COUNTY WAR DEAD HONORED

### Mothers Attend Flag Dedication, Legion Past President's Pin Given Roy O. Young

Sons of Douglas county mothers who died in war action were honored in a flag dedication ceremony last night at the Roseburg armory. Also, Roy O. Young, past president of Umpqua post American Legion, was presented with a diamond studded American Legion past president's pin by local veterans and patriotic organizations.  
Both events were sponsored by Roseburg chapter of Gold Star mothers. A citation, in the form of a plaque, was also presented to Young. It reads:  
"In sincere appreciation of your tireless service on behalf of Douglas county veterans and their families, we present this American Legion past president's pin Sept. 20, 1949."  
The plaque was signed by the following organizations: Roseburg chapter, Gold Star Mothers; Disabled American Veterans; Dean Perrine Chapter and unit No. 9; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Patrick W. Kelly post No. 2468 and Auxiliary; Cootie Pup Tent No. 2; American Legion, Umpqua post No. 16 and Auxiliary; Umpqua Navy Mothers club No. 531.  
Mayor Albert G. Flegel made the pin presentation on behalf of the Gold Star Mothers. Mrs. Esco Johnson, sergeant-at-arms of the Roseburg Gold Star Mothers, presented Young with the plaque.  
The program also included music by Mrs. Walt Fredrickson; introduction of Mrs. Buttler, Coos Bay, representing the state department of Gold Star Mothers; flag presentation by VFW and auxiliary, American Legion and Auxiliary and Disabled American Veterans and Auxiliary.  
This was followed by a salute to the flag, the singing of America and divine blessing, offered by Mrs. Ellis Herring, chapter chaplain.  
The Gold Star preamble was read by Mrs. Viola Cheek, first vice-president; while the Gold Star mission was told by Mrs. Joy Miller, second vice-president.  
President Martha Wells gave the opening dedication after which the Gold Star colors were presented. The colors were carried by members of the local national guard and navy reserve.  
E. G. High donated a flag case to the Gold Star mothers, in which the colors will be kept when not in use.  
Chaplain Feller then made a few dedication remarks and this was followed by singing of the Star Spangled Banner.  
A silent prayer, retiring of colors, led by the Gold Star colors, benediction, and closing remarks by the president ended the ceremony.  
There was a large attendance at the affair.

The Weather  
Fair with little change in temperature this afternoon, tonight and Thursday.  
Sunset today 6:13 p. m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 6 a. m.

## Six Indicted For Robeson Concert Riot

### Police Chief's Son One Of Accused; 'Whitewash' By Dewey Is Protested

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Sept. 21.—(AP)—A police chief's son and five other young men were under indictments today in connection with violence which followed a Paul Robeson concert Sept. 4.  
They allegedly were among roadside hecklers who stoned the concert crowd leaving the left-wing Negro singer's performance. Three of them are teenagers.  
One of those named is Joseph A. Lillis Jr., 25, son of police chief at Peekskill, N. Y., near where the outdoor concert was held.  
In the indictments handed down yesterday by a county grand jury, Lillis was charged with hurling a stone through a car window. The technical count is malicious mischief, a misdemeanor.  
Four others, charged with overturning a parked car, were accused of felonious malicious mischief.  
They are William B. Williams, 20, and David F. Miller, 16, both of Peekskill, and Vincent F. Doherty, 18, and Samuel J. Biorci, 17, of nearby Cronon-on-Hudson.  
The sixth man, Robert Lenz, 29-year-old Peekskill war veteran, was charged with carrying concealed weapons, also a felony. He allegedly had two knives, one strapped under each pantleg.  
Lillis was continued in custody of his father, and the others remained free on bail ranging from \$250 to \$500.  
No date was set for trial.  
More than 100 persons were injured in the barrage of stones and sticks that met departing concertgoers, following an anti-communist veterans parade outside the concert grounds. A half dozen cars were overturned.  
"Whitewash" Protested  
The indictments came as Westchester District Attorney George M. Fannell announced a full-scaled grand jury investigation into the violence will begin Oct. 3. Meanwhile, 300 persons left New York for Albany on a special eight-car train to protest what they called Dewey's "whitewash" of the violence Sept. 4.  
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## Business District's New Lights Will Burn Tonight

Another important milestone will be marked tonight toward the modernization of the city of Roseburg.  
Mayor Albert G. Flegel will have the honor of throwing the switch, turning on the main business district portion of the city's new street lighting system, as part of the fall opening ceremony.  
The lofty, powerful, white lights which should give the city zone ten times the amount of lighting it has had, will go on promptly at 7:30 o'clock. The switch-throwing ceremony will take place from a stand erected at the intersection of Oak and Jackson streets.  
Speakers for the occasion will be Mayor Flegel, John Todd, Roseburg Chamber of Commerce president; Ben Trowbridge, street lighting contractor, and City Manager M. W. Slankard.  
Although the street lighting installation is completed, slightly less than one-half the lights can be turned on at this time. The reason, Slankard explained, is that the required transformers have not yet arrived. Four of them have been ordered—one for each of the four circuits—from Chicago, and should be here shortly after Oct. 1.  
In order that part of the lights may be turned on, coinciding with the fall opening program, two emergency transformers have been secured. The approximate 54 lights that will be placed in operation will be those along Jackson and Main streets, from Mosher to East Second avenue. So, and a few staggered lights west of Jackson street on the main street, said Slankard.  
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## Fall Styles To Make Debut Tonight In Banner Of All Season Openings; Treasure Hunt To Begin At 8 O'clock

Final arrangements have been completed for what Roseburg retail merchants promise will be the most successful of all fall openings tonight.  
The Retail Trades association, meeting Tuesday, attended to last minute details. The merchants reported a great deal of interest shown by the public in the treasure hunt. Chairman John Hardman expressed himself as well pleased with the general enthusiasm and merchant cooperation.  
The program begins at 7 o'clock with preliminary activities leading up to the unveiling of the windows, scheduled at 8 o'clock.  
The Roseburg high school band directed by C. A. Ricketts, will play in the streets until 7:30, when the street lighting ceremony will take place from a stand erected at the intersection of Oak and Jackson streets.  
The switch-throwing ceremony will be given by Mayor Albert G. Flegel, street lighting contractor, and City Manager M. W. Slankard.  
Unveiling of the windows and the treasure hunt, for which tickets have been given out free by the merchants to local citizens, will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. Some surprise features are promised, according to Hardman.  
Free public dancing will take place from 8 to 10 p. m. at Oak and Jackson streets and from 10 o'clock until midnight at the  
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## COURT GOES TO DOGS

### Nuisance Case Tried At Home Of Aged Woman

DETROIT, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Louise Arndt, who is 80, was unable to go to traffic court yesterday to answer charges of harboring unlicensed dogs. The neighbors complained her five dogs ran loose and nipped at people.  
So Judge John D. Watts went to her home to hold court. Mrs. Arndt greeted him on the front porch as the dogs inside the house yapped loudly. One yapped louder than the others.  
"That's the saucy one," Mrs. Arndt told the judge. She said he would have to hold court on the porch.  
Hurryingly, the judge placed her on a year's probation, ordered her to get dog licenses and keep the pooches on leash.  
"Okay, sonny," Mrs. Arndt said as she waved the judge goodbye and retired into the house.  
Court was adjourned.

## Members Of House Return For More Toil

### Short Session May End November 1; Deferred Program To Be Decried

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—(AP)—House members return today from a month's vacation, with enough unfinished business on hand to keep them here the rest of the year.  
They probably won't stay that long. "Around November 1" is the target date of congressional leaders for final adjournment.  
Despite messages sent to democratic members last week by party leaders, the house doesn't plan to transact any major business this week. Party spokesmen explained that the recession messages merely were intended to assure the presence of a quorum, 217 members.  
Republicans followed through with messages to their own members reminding them that the recess that started on August 26 ends at noon today and that democrats had been told to be on hand at that time.  
While a dozen or more major bills are pending, appropriation bills furnishing almost \$20,000,000 will have top priority. They finance the military establishment, the interior department, the foreign economic recovery program and some miscellaneous federal agencies.  
Pending final congressional action, those agencies are being financed on a temporary basis until October 1.  
Still another appropriation bill may be forthcoming to finance the foreign arms-aid program already passed by the house and now being debated by the Senate, which took no summer recess except for a long Labor day weekend. The bill under debate in the senate carries no funds for the arms program. It merely gives it congressional sanction.  
What other legislation will be given preference during the rest of this session probably won't be determined until congressional leaders huddle with President Truman.  
There is a chance that new labor legislation may be pushed in view of current developments in the coal and steel industries.  
Program To Be Deferred  
Much of the president's "must" legislation will be allowed to lie over until the second session of the 81st congress, starting next January.  
Still slated for consideration are these bills, in addition to the arms-aid and appropriation measures:  
An increase in the minimum wage over interstate industry; passed by both chambers but not in the same form.  
A new farm price support program; passed by the House.  
A bill broadening social security coverage; not acted on by either chamber, but approved by the House ways and means committee.  
Raises for military personnel and for top government executives; passed by the House.  
Revision of the displaced persons law; passed by the House but tied up in the Senate judiciary committee.  
Federal aid to education; passed by the Senate but stalemated in the House over a religious controversy.

## Police Class To Hear FBI Agents

Two Portland members of the Federal Bureau of Investigation will conduct Thursday night's session in a series of classes sponsored by the city police department, according to Chief Calvin H. Baird.  
The two FBI men will instruct in crime scene search and preservation of evidence, Chief Baird said.  
The school, composed of a series of six Thursday night classes, is open to all local law enforcement officers who desire to attend. Chief Baird said both regular and reserve officers are eligible.  
Designed to set up a refresher course for present officers, the school also enables reserve officers to gain additional training. Chief Baird said this would enable the present police department to draw on trained reserves in case of emergency and also provide training for those members of the reserve who desire to become regular members of the force.  
Qualified persons wishing more information should contact Chief Baird in the city hall offices, he said.

## Northern California Battles Timber Fires

WILLITS, Calif., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Brush and timber fires, including one which for a time threatened homes on the edge of Ukiah, were burning over a wide area of northern California today.  
Charles Campbell, state forestry division ranger at Howard park district headquarters, said continued high temperatures and low humidity expected today and tomorrow offered no prospect of early relief.  
A brush fire in the hills overlooking Ukiah was reported under control last night after blackening an estimated 1,000 acres.  
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## City School Population Estimated Above 2,800

City School Sup't. Paul S. Elliott said today he estimated the city's school population at "well above 2,800."  
Based on the number of late registrants since compilation of figures Sept. 15, the new total eclipses the record set a year ago at the same time when approximately 2,700 students were enrolled in the public school system.  
Breakdown by schools shows the following totals:  
Rose 312; Benson, 325; Fullerton, 322; Riverside, 400; elementary grade total, 1,559. Junior high school, 732; senior high school, 708; total, 1,440; grand total Sept. 15, 2,799.

## Benson Back In Oregon Prison; Escapee Pal Believed Living

SPOKANE, Sept. 21.—(AP)—William Benson, who led authorities on a two-day fruitless search for a grave he said held the body of an escaped murderer, was returned last night to the Oregon State penitentiary.  
Benson was brought back here Sunday from Columbus, Ohio, where he was captured two weeks ago. He escaped from the Salem prison May 30 with John P. Pinson, convicted slayer of a state patrolman at Hood River, Ore.  
Benson told authorities Pinson was shot in the escape and that he had buried him. But he couldn't find the grave.  
The officials, meanwhile, stood pat on their belief that Pinson actually is alive and is the same man now being sought for an armed robbery in Idaho under the name of Joseph Anthony Dorian. A picture of Dorian has been identified "positively" as that of Pinson, detectives said.  
At the Oregon penitentiary Warden George Alexander said he would begin questioning Benson late today in another attempt to get clues as to where Pinson might be, and to try to find out how Benson and Pinson sawed



William Benson  
their way out of the prison correction cells on May 30.

## New Accord Effort Urged By President

### Union, Industry Defers Replies; Fact Finders Supported By Truman

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—(AP) President Truman today asked a new six-day strike truce in the steel dispute.  
The President also asked that the steel concerns and the CIO steel workers union resume collective bargaining on their own. He said federal mediators would be available to assist them. Cyrus Ching, mediation chief who announced Mr. Truman's new truce request, said no reply had yet been received from either union or companies.  
The present truce runs out Saturday midnight and the union is poised for a walkout by its 1,000,000 members at that time.  
The President asked that the truce be maintained until 12:01 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, in the "national interest."  
President Philip Murray of the steelworkers advised Ching that the union will decide on its reply to Mr. Truman's request at a union wage-policy committee meeting at Pittsburgh tomorrow.  
Ching said the steel companies promised to reply soon.  
Ching said he has no plans now for further meetings with union and companies for the time being—expecting them to go to bargaining with each other on their own as the President requested.  
The President's request was made in a letter to Ching in the midst of government-sponsored efforts to work out a settlement of the dispute over pensions and insurance.  
His letter stressed the importance to the nation of averting a crippling steel strike.  
Every possible move, Mr. Truman said, should be taken to avert such a stoppage; therefore he was asking the new strike deadline extension.  
Mr. Truman's letter said he is in "fullest agreement" with the statement made by his steel fact-finding board in recommending a 10-cent hourly pension-insurance program.  
There were reports that conciliators working on the case  
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## Canadian Labor Raps Communists

### CALGARY, Alberta, Sept. 21. (CP) Canadian labor communists have been walloped and spanked by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada which yesterday:

1. Tossed out of its membership the red-influenced Canadian seamen's union by a landslide 702 to 77 vote.  
2. Rejected a series of leftist-supported resolutions urging more trade relations between Canada and Russia.  
The congress lashed out bitterly at communists in its ranks, putting some on the run and sending others to cover. Many known Reds in the congress voted with the right-wing faction; others did not vote at all.  
Only sector in favor of the seamen's union was the British Columbia area. Several unions, including the B. C. fishermen and allied workers, sided with the seamen's group.  
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## Arrests Break Portland Dope Peddling Ring

PORTLAND, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Detective Capt. William D. Browne said today a Portland dope peddling ring had been broken with arrest of five men.  
The five, picked up under secret indictments returned by the county grand jury yesterday, were listed as Edward T. Nelson, 55, both opium and marijuana sale charges; Gilbert J. Edwards, 29, Robert Brown Jr., 21, and James Whitmore, 24, marijuana sale charges; Joseph W. Johnson, 31, sale of heroin.  
Browne said that last year Nelson was arrested and led police to a \$20,000 cache of heroin in a Union station locker. The charge against him was dismissed because the police search of the locker was made without legal authority, he said.

## Fire In Cabin Claims Lives Of Two Children

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Three-year-old Angela May Peterson died early today as an aftermath of a cottage fire in which her two-year-old sister, Wendy Jean, perished last night.  
Angela was rescued from the blazing cabin at Shuswapin lake, 40 miles north of here, by her grandfather, E. Brandon. She was brought to a hospital and died within seven hours.  
The mother of the children, who had left them temporarily to visit her parents, suffered minor burns in a rescue attempt.

## Tri-District Meeting Of Chiropractors Slated

Approximately 50 chiropractors will attend a tri-district meeting of the Oregon Association of Chiropractic Physicians, to be held at Riverside grange in Roseburg Saturday, Sept. 24. Roseburg, Eugene and Grants Pass districts will be represented. "X-ray and Body Mechanics" will be the general topic to be discussed. Each district will present a separate phase of the educational program.  
Principal speaker will be Dr. W. A. Budden of Portland's Western States college.

## "DRUNK" JAILED

John Thomas of Toney, Alabama, was committed to the city jail for 10 days in lieu of a \$20 fine, when he pleaded guilty to a drunk charge in municipal court Tuesday, reported Judge Ira B. Riddle.

## Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reinsetem  
The vaunted "dignity of labor" would be more impressive if John L. Lewis' miners would put more "dig" in dignity.