

# The Oregon Statesman

Weather Forecast: Fair, but with fog near coast; rising temperature in interior; moderate northwest winds. Maximum temperature yesterday 63, minimum 50, river minus 1.7, rainfall .43, atmosphere cloudy, wind south.

Probably bolshevism would welcome war as a graceful means of saving its face in future history. Kings have done the same thing.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH YEAR SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 7, 1927 PRICE FIVE CENTS

## OLD GLORY SENDS OUT S.O.S. CALL

### American Plane In Distress As It Starts Out Over Atlantic Waters

### POSITION NOT LOCATED

#### U. S. Machine Pride of Detroit Makes Hop From Calcutta For Rangoon, Distance of Over Six Hundred Miles

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—(AP)—The Radio Corporation of America at 4 o'clock Eastern Standard Time this morning announced receipt of a radio message from the steamer Carmania saying the vessel had received an SOS call from the monoplane Old Glory.

The steamer Lapland also reported receiving an SOS from the monoplane, bound from Old Orchard, Maine, to Rome the Radio corporation announced.

The first message from the steamers, the Radio corporation said, did not give their positions.

RANGOON, Burma, Sept. 7.—(AP)—William S. Brock and Edward F. Schlee arrived here at 2:50 o'clock this afternoon from Calcutta, India, on their round-the-world flight.

Old Glory's Log  
2:54 p. m. Canadian freighter Empress reports to Independent wireless sighting Old Glory ten miles off Digby, N. S.

2:55 p. m. St. John, N. B. wireless station picks up message from Old Glory's radio stating "making 160 miles an hour, all well."

3:15 p. m. Old Glory passes over Harberville, N. S., flying low.

4:10 p. m. Believed sighted over Parraboo, Cumberland county, Nova Scotia. Plane flying high.

6 p. m. Old Glory seen passing over North Sidney Cape, Breton and South Bar.

6:30 p. m. Radio testing signals picked up 860 miles east of Ambrose Light.

8:53 p. m. U. S. liner George Washington reports Old Glory passing over Newfoundland.

10:15 p. m. Heard flying over Cape Race, N. F.

10:30 p. m. Sends message, "Newfoundland all O. K. Making good time."

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 6.—(AP)—Averaging slightly above 100 miles an hour the monoplane Old Glory which left Old Orchard, Maine, at 12:23, E. S. T. today, passed over Nova Scotia for several hours this afternoon.

First appearing near Digby, on the Bay of Fundy coast, the plane left Nova Scotia headed for Newfoundland.

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### HEARING IN HILL CASE THURSDAY

EXTRADITION FROM WASHINGTON WILL BE FOUGHT

Counsel For Illinois Youth to Appear Before Governor Hartley In Boy's Behalf

SEATTLE, SEPT. 6.—(AP)—A hearing of extradition of Harry Hill, 22, wanted in Stretator, Ill., on a charge of murdering his mother, will be held before Governor Roland H. Hartley in Olympia, Thursday.

## CROPS DAMAGED? OPINIONS DIFFER

### BUT PROMISE OF BETTER WEATHER JUST IN TIME

Some Authorities say Prunes Too Green to Spoil, Others Disagree

The following is the result of three short interviews last evening over the phone by a Statesman reporter:

W. F. Drager says there will be 50 per cent damage throughout the valley on prunes. Ripest ones are badly affected.

H. S. Gile says there is practically no damage done to prunes. A few are showing cracks, he says, but these are isolated cases. The Newberg plant reports no damage up to present time but if rain continues tomorrow, there will be great damage.

H. R. Crawford says there is no damage done. The prunes are not ripe enough.

Hops Coming Down Well  
Henry Cornoyer, prominent grower and dealer, said last night that there has so far been little damage to the hop crop from the late rains.

The early hops are all harvested and in the bale. In every yard, the picking of the late hops is going on. One of the most favorable facts is that there are plenty of pickers—more so than ever before in the history of the industry here. And the pickers are working well. The growers have protested them with every possible comfort—fire wood, houses, tents, etc. The pickers are anxious to earn all they can, and they have been going out in weather that would have driven them in during any former hop harvest here.

In the yards that have not been sprayed, or that have been poorly sprayed, there may be some damage. There would be a good deal of damage, if the weather were not cool; or if hot, murky weather should follow the present rains.

But there is every hope that most of the hop crop will be harvested, and that the late crop as well as the early will be of good quality on the average.

A Narrow Escape  
From all of the above, it looks like a narrow escape from a good deal of injury, for prunes, and for hops, too. But the weather man predicts a fair day today, and if

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## FRESHMAN CLASS LARGE

### More Than 1000 New Students Already Applicants at Eugene

EUGENE, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Applications for admittance of new students to the University of Oregon have already passed the 1,000 mark, and of these applications, 980 have been accepted, it was announced today by Earl M. Palfelt, registrar. This indicates that a possible enrollment of 1200 new students may be expected, since nearly three weeks remain before the start of classes September 26, he said.

Of the total applicants 624 will be freshmen from Oregon high schools, 153 from high schools outside of the state, 82 students transferring from other higher educational institutions outside of the state, 11 graduate students and three special students.

A total of 47 applicants have been rejected. Only 15 of these were Oregon high school students, however.

## PRAY AT STORE OPENING

### New Establishment Starts In City of Eugene After Custom

EUGENE, Sept. 6.—(AP)—The new department store of McMorran and Washburne here was opened for business today with prayer. Dr. A. H. Saunders, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church offered a short prayer and the services closed with the singing of "America," led by the store quartet. This custom was inaugurated by this firm when its old store was opened 15 years ago.

## PICK DRY CHIEF DEC. 1

### Successor to Wayne B. Wheeler Will Be Chosen This Year

ATLANTA, GA., SEPT. 6.—(AP)—A successor to Wayne B. Wheeler in Washington will be named by the national executive committee of the Anti-Suffrage League of America at its next meeting in Washington, Dec. 1, or earlier if the league's general officers deem a special meeting necessary for this purpose, Dr. A. J. Barton, Atlanta, chairman of the committee, said today.

STRETATOR, ILL. SEPT. 6.—(AP)—Authorities here today were checking the movements of a young man giving the name of Robert L. Honeycutt who was

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## FALL SETS IN WHEN STORM HITS OREGON

### Blue Mountains Covered With Snow As Greeting To Visiting Tourists

### PENDELTON RAIN SWEPT

#### One and Twelve Hundredths Inches of Moisture Precipitated at Eugene in Twenty Four Hour Period

PORTLAND, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Oregon in particular and the Pacific northwest in general had all kinds of weather today, most of it wet. It ranged from a determined snowfall in the Blue mountains of eastern Oregon to an even more determined rainfall in the interior and coastal areas.

Winter set in with a vengeance in the Blue mountains, according to reports from the forest rangers in the Umatilla national forest. Tourists coming over the Old Oregon Trail from La Grande to Pendleton told of heavy falls at Meacham and Kamel, with two inches already on the ground.

Rain at Pendleton  
The lower Pendleton country got its precipitation in the form of a heavy rain.

Mefford got a touch of winter in the form of a cold wind and brisk rainfall, while Eugene had a few hard showers. At Aberdeen, Wash., there was a heavy fall of rain to bring the week's total up to more than 4 1/2 inches.

Rain fell heavily in the Walla Walla valley, while snow fell in the neighboring Blue mountains. The precipitation was expected to

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## TWO AIRPLANES SISTERS

### Old Glory and St. Raphael Identical in Construction

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—(AP)—The monoplane Old Glory which left Old Orchard, Maine, today for Rome, is a sister ship, identical in every detail, of the ill-fated St. Raphael, which disappeared while attempting the westward passage with Princess Lowenstein-Wertheim and her two pilot escorts. Not only are the two planes of the same Fokker model but the same model of Bristol Jupiter 450 horsepower engine was installed in each.

## SAY! ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME SOMEBODY GOT OUT AND WALKED?



## W. U. FRESHMAN APPLICANTS 175

### SOME MAY BE DENIED ADMISSION ON CREDENTIALS

New Students to Register Early For Special Get-Acquainted Program

Approximately 175 applications for admission to Willamette university as freshmen have been received by Nat Beaver, registrar. These are being checked over to see if the requirements for registration are fulfilled.

Many of them will be denied for scholastic reasons, but it is expected that the freshman class this year will run in numbers around 160.

The new students will report at the university Friday, September 16, for enrollment with the registrar. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors will register on Wednesday, September 21.

The plan of freshman week was adopted this year for the purpose of giving the new students an opportunity to learn the purpose and procedure of the university, to receive guidance in outlining a program of studies, and to become acquainted with the new environment, the members of the class, and with the faculty. All

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## BURGLARS ARE CLEANLY

### Two Men Take Bath After Forcing Way Into Portland House

PORTLAND, Sept. 6.—(AP)—However far from Godliness they may have wandered, two Portland burglars consider cleanliness a prime requisite. The house of Charles Foss was entered by two men. When the family returned they found the bath tub had been filled, the bath soap dish had been broken and two towels stolen. The other loot included a salmon wear and a lavender pillow slip.

## HOPS SOLD AT 20 CENTS

### Amounts Small, Many Growers Refusing This Price Offer

Following refusal of several growers to sell 1927 hops at 19 cents a week ago, 100 bales were taken at 20 cents a pound in the Independence district yesterday. It was learned. Consignments at this price are said to be small, however, with many growers refusing the offer.

A few are turning off small quantities, it was said, indicating that the main crop will be held for higher prices. A shortage in this section, together with reported decreased acreages in other large hop-growing sections of the world, are regarded by local growers as justification for holding.

## RAINS PARALYZE STREET RAILWAY

### LIGHTNING, FLOODS WREAK HAVOC IN PORTLAND

Losses Near \$100,000; 70 per Cent of Business Section in Darkness

PORTLAND, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Downtown Portland was practically paralyzed today when torrential rains and lightning brought the worst breakdown of the Portland Electric Power company system in twenty years.

Street cars in the downtown district were tied up for two hours, theatres were darkened, elevators stopped and commercial institutions using direct current were made helpless by a short circuit in the supply cables of the underground electrical system. The short circuit cut off seventy per cent of downtown houses from their supply of electricity.

The two local public service corporations suffered a loss of between \$75,000 and \$100,000 as a result of the storm. The sewer systems were unable to carry off the unprecedented volume of surface water which backed up until it flooded the underground steam mains which furnish heat for the business district.

The water produced superheated steam in such compressed bulk that the lead covered cables of the Portland Electric Power company were reduced to a molten mass.

In several buildings elevators loaded with passengers were stalled between floors and near panics resulted before emergency power enabled the release of the caged prisoners.

Officials of the electric company said tonight it would require from sixty to ninety days to restore normal service. More than three miles of emergency cable had been laid on the street surface tonight.

Weather bureau figures showed that in 5 minutes .27 inches of rain fell. This was increased to .52 in 10 minutes, .60 in 15 minutes, .68 in half an hour and .86 in an hour.

## MEETS TERRIFIC STORM

### Steamer Hit by Terrific Gale; 20,000 Feet Lumber Lost

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Battered by heavy seas on her voyage to this port from Grays Harbor, the steam schooner Point Loma arrived here today without 20,000 feet of lumber, comprising the major portion of her deck load.

The schooner, which was fifteen hours late due to battling a northwest gale, had trouble with her steering gear off Point Arena, one hundred miles north of here, and while trying to overcome this difficulty part of her cargo was washed overboard.

## STATE SUPPLY SPINNING TOW SOLD, IRELAND

### Sending of Samples and Small Shipments Followed by Large Orders

### LINE FIBER ALSO TAKEN

#### Massachusetts Mills Secure All on Hand; But Further Supply Coming With Working of Present Crop

The state of Oregon has just sold the last pound of its spinning tow at the state flax plant at the penitentiary, to Belfast, Ireland.

Four or five weeks ago, there was an order for five tons of the tow from Belfast, after large samples had been submitted. This was followed by an order for 12 tons, and then an order for 40 tons.

The present order is for 100 tons. Long tons. All the orders were for long tons of 2240 pounds. This last order will take all the old stock, accumulated from former years.

Some Not Filled  
There is another order from Belfast for 40 long tons, which cannot be filled. The 157 tons shipped or to be shipped represent a value of around \$50,000.

There are prospective orders.

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## OFFICIALS WILL CONFER

### Oregon and Washington Land Departments to Arrange Audit

Land department officials of Oregon and Washington will hold a joint session here today to arrange for an audit of the books of various sand and gravel concerns which have operated on the Columbia river. The audit will cover the operations of these sand and gravel concerns for a period of seven years.

The audit was ordered by the land boards of the two states to determine the amount of sand taken from the Columbia river which was not reported to the land department officials. As soon as the audit is completed the land department officials will hold another meeting and decide upon the amount of royalty to be charged. The royalty on gravel was fixed several years ago at six cents per cubic yard.

Any royalty that is received from the sand and gravel companies for sand taken from the Columbia river during the past seven years will be credited to the common school fund of the states.

## ALL PROPERTY ATTACHED

### PEP Given Judgment Against Willamette Valley Southern

A certificate of levy under an execution issued in the circuit court for Clackamas county attaching all visible properties, personal and real, belonging to the Willamette Valley Southern railroad in Marion county, to satisfy judgment for \$1,082,209.93 secured by the Portland Electric Power company of Portland, was returned by sheriff O. D. Bower, to the clerk of the circuit court here yesterday.

Judgment was secured in Clackamas county August 1, 1927, to satisfy claims chiefly for electric power furnished the defendant railroad company, it was said. The Willamette Valley Southern in Marion county extends north from Mount Angel to the Clackamas county line.

## HOP PICKER ARRESTED

### Girl at Homer Goulet Ranch Held On Larceny Charge

Sarah Jackson, alias Mrs. George Fay, was arrested at the Homer Goulet hop ranch yesterday morning by Marion county authorities and held for Portland police officers, who started with her late in the afternoon to Portland to face charges of larceny.

She was said to have taken a suitcase and some clothing belonging to another girl. Officers recovered the articles reported missing, among which were shoes, dresses, a coat and other articles. She had been working in the hop yard up to the time of her arrest, it was said.

## GARBAGE PLANT BIDS FOUND LOW

### ONE IS \$8,850 UNDER AMOUNT ALLOWED IN VOTE

#### Offers and Possible Sites Will Be Considered at Meeting Tonight

That a sanitary garbage disposal plant will be secured for the city at a much more reasonable cost than first anticipated, was indicated at the city council meeting last night when incinerator bids from three firms were opened. The bids ranged from \$31,150 to \$37,500. They are referred to the special incinerator committee of which Alderman Dancy is chairman.

The Pittsburgh-Des Moines steel company quoted a price of \$33,475 for the United States standard incinerator, of the type which has been used by the government for eight years. This incinerator has a capacity of 40 tons every 24 hours and is oilless in operation, according to the letter accompanying the bid. This firm also submitted another bid of \$34,475 for an incinerator of still greater capacity.

The Nyde Odorless crematory company of Los Angeles submitted a bid of \$37,500, and J. T. Thorpe and Son, of Seattle and Portland, presented a bid of \$31,150 on behalf of the Tyler Engineering and Construction company, an eastern firm. The bids were in accordance with specifications set by the city engineer.

The bids will be considered at a special meeting of the incinerator committee tonight. A possible site for the plant will also be taken up at that time.

Provision for an incinerator for Salem was made in a bond proposal for \$40,000 passed upon by the people in a recent election. An ordinance calling for the issuance and sale of these bonds was introduced at the council meeting last night and given first reading.

## EXPECT LANDING FIELDS

### Survey Begins in Month for Stopping Places for Flyers

PORTLAND, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Assurance that a ground crew and airplanes needed will begin within a month to make surveys for emergency landing fields to be maintained with an attendant each at every 30 miles on the air lane between Portland and San Francisco has been given by the United States department of commerce to the Pacific Air Transport, Inc., N. B. Evans, traffic manager of the company said today. The P. A. T. line operates air mail and passenger air planes between Seattle and Los Angeles.

The government will drain, level and mark the landing fields. Each will have a runway 2500 feet long in either direction. The P. A. T. company has given the government engineers maps of the landing fields it has found and used since beginning the service a year ago this month.

## REDFERN HOPES RISING

### Belief Grows That Missing Flyer Reached Land in Safety

BRUNSWICK, Ga., Sept. 6.—(AP)—Belief among backers of the Brunswick-Brazil flight that Paul Redfern, the youthful aviator, is safe some where on the South American continent had been strengthened by the elaboration of the story that the monoplane was seen near the Venezuelan coast by the crew of a Norwegian steamer.

Although there is a discrepancy of a day between the time officers of the Christian Krogh said they saw the airplane and natives reported seeing it flying across the Orinoco river delta, friends of Redfern believe the dates somehow have been confused and that the planes were identical.

## AWNINGS LEAK, CLAIMED

### City Engineer Instructed to Urge Repair of Marquees

Some time this week the city engineer will make a tour of establishments in the business district and ask the proprietors to eliminate the leaks in the marquees and awnings. He was instructed to do this by the city council last night, on a motion by Alderman Dancy.

In their present condition, many of them do not furnish much protection during a rain storm, it was pointed out.

## CITY DADS FAIL TO AGREE UPON CONTRACT PLAN

### Delays Loom On All Projects Except Incinerator, Result of Meeting

### BOND ISSUES APPROVED

#### Difficulties Seen in Way of Employing Expert Bridge Engineer, Long Term Agreement Also Opposed

The project for the construction of the South Commercial street bridge, and others provided for in the recent bond issue, was further delayed last night when city councilmen failed to agree on the contract between R. A. Farrow, an Astoria engineer and the city, recommended by the bridge committee.

Neither were any plans for carrying out the sewer and drainage relief proposals submitted to the council for approval as no meeting of sewer committee, with its full membership, has been held to formulate plans.

Councilmen Absent  
With only eight councilmen present at the meeting, one adverse vote would have defeated the bridge engineer contract. Accordingly, Mayor Livesley asked that action be delayed until a special meeting next Monday night, when Chairman Hawkins of the bridge committee could be present and explain the needs of the project. Alderman Hawkins is now in Portland. The sewer committee, of which E. B. Grabenhorst is chairman, was instructed to prepare a report and submit it Monday night.

Some advance in the improvement program was made when incinerator bids were opened and referred to the committee, and ordinances providing for the sale and issuance of 2 blocks of \$100,000 bonds were given third reading and passed. The way is clear now for action by the committee.

Contract Criticized  
The engineer's contract which

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## KOZER ENTITLED TO SERVE TERM

### CONSTITUTION MAKES EXCEPTION, POINTED OUT

#### Appointments Pro Tempore Not Calculated Where Tenure Limited

Someone has been making a mystery out of a very simple matter regarding the tenure of office of Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, attorneys connected with the state government indicated Tuesday.

These attorneys said that Mr. Koser has a constitutional right to serve out his present full term notwithstanding that he will then have served more than eight out of a period of 12 years.

The constitution reads: "In all cases in which it is provided that an office shall not be filled by the same person more than a certain number of years continuously, an appointment pro tempore shall not be reckoned a part of that term."

It was said that this provision of the constitution applies directly to the secretary of state. Relative to this office the constitution provides that one person shall not serve more than eight out of any period of 12 years.

Records show that Ben W. Olcott became governor by succession at the death of Governor Withcombe early in 1919. He continued to hold both the office of governor and secretary of state until after the primary election in May, 1926, when Mr. Koser was appointed to the latter office.

Koser was elected secretary of state at the general election in November, 1926, and was re-elected four years later. Hence, at the expiration of his present term Koser will have served only eight years, plus seven months by appointment.

Attorneys said Mr. Koser would not violate the constitution in serving out his present election term.