

WEATHER
Fair today, Thursday, lower temperatures, higher humidity; Max. Temp. Tuesday 89, Min. 45, river 3.4 feet, clear, northwest winds.

THROUGH CHEERS HOOVER'S FIRST CAMPAIGN TALK

Many Policies for Relief
Of Agriculture Listed
By G. O. P. Leader

Nation was Perilously Near
Gold Standard Collapse
Once, he Reveals

COLISEUM, Des Moines, Oct. 4
(AP)—A demonstration lasting
2 1/2 minutes greeted President
Hoover tonight

when he took the
speaker's stand
here for his cam-
paign address.
The crowd
which filled the
auditorium con-
taining 3,600
seats, stood as
one of the three
hands played
"Hail to the
Chief."
The president
spoke extempor-
aneously for a
moment in an
expression of appreciation, before
beginning his carefully prepared
speech.

Mr. Hoover said he now could
speak of some of the forces which
at one time caused the secretary
of treasury to inform him that the
nation could remain on the gold
standard "but two weeks longer,"
unless a remedy was found.

"Happily we have won this bat-
tle," he said. "There is no longer
any danger from disclosure."
Party's Retention of
Gold Basis Applauded
The first applause came when
he told of how during the Gar-
field campaign, when "the dem-
ocratic party was still coquetting
with the great panacea of the
time—greenbacks," his family
then living in Iowa "lightened its
belt, and with confidence, voted
for James A. Garfield, a republican
president."

DES MOINES, Oct. 4—(AP)—
President Hoover tonight declared
sponsorship for a dozen policies
for the relief of agriculture, and,
naming the democratic leadership
directly, asserted that if the pro-
gram proposed by members of
that party in the last session of
congress had ever reached enact-
ment "it would have been the end
of recovery."

In his first campaign address
since accepting the renomination,
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CURTIS DENIES HE EVADED TAX LAW

MARYSVILLE, Mo., Oct. 4—
(AP)—Vice-President Charles
Curtis, a member of the Kaw
tribe, denied today that he had
ever registered himself as an in-
competent Indian.

"Absurd and false," commented
Mr. Curtis when his attention was
called to a question concerning
his Indian status and land owner-
ship contained in a letter from
Morris A. Beale, editor of the
magazine "Plains Talk" to Henry
J. Allen, publicity director for
the republican national commit-
tee. Beale's letter, made public in
Washington, asked:

"Why didn't you deny that
Vice-President Curtis in 1903 regis-
tered himself with the U. S. In-
dian bureau as an incompetent In-
dian and, as such, for 29 years
has found it unnecessary to pay
any taxes on his Indian lands in
Oklahoma?"

Mr. Curtis said:
"I am a member of the Kaw
tribe. In 1902 was passed an act
allotting lands. In the act they
provided that a member to sell
his property must file application
to remove restrictions. I had
promised Chief Wash-Shungah
that I would not at any time sell
my lands. Therefore, I have never
filed application to sell and I
never filed as an incompetent."

GERMAN ATTITUDE
TOPIC OF PARLEY

LONDON, Oct. 4—(AP)—The
Exchange Telegraph agency to-
night said the British government
was seeking to determine whether
a conference could be arranged to
discuss Germany's withdrawal
from the disarmament conference,
France, Germany and Italy were
being consulted.

The agency said the matter
was still under consideration and
the British government had in-
timated that if the conference
course were feasible and general-
ly approved, it would be willing
to arrange a meeting for this
purpose in London.

The exact object of the confer-
ence would be to determine
whether the differences arising
from Germany's withdrawal
could be discussed in an exchange
of views.

Court Action to Rake Ruins of Great Insull Utilities Empire



MARTIN INSULL
ATTY GEN MITCHELL SAMUEL INSULL

Formal action against the men who figured in the greatest single
financial debacle in America's history was started Tuesday when
indictments were returned against Martin and Samuel Insull,
heads of the Insull holding companies, in connection with a federal
probe started by Attorney General Mitchell. Attempts will be
made to extradite Samuel from Paris and Martin from Canada.
Samuel Insull came to the United States fifty-one years ago from
his native England as the secretary of Thomas A. Edison. For
eleven years he worked with the inventor, aiding in the formation
of many of the companies that bear the Edison name. He struck
out on his own when, through Edison's influence, he became presi-
dent of the Chicago Edison company. His genius for organization
was such that he was credited with the Midas touch. Everything
he touched seemed to turn to gold, and at one time his personal
fortune was estimated at \$100,000,000.

INSULLS INDICTED ON THREE COUNTS

Embezzlement and Larceny
Charged Against Pair
In Big Enterprise

CHICAGO, Oct. 4—(AP)—
Samuel Insull, 72 year old public
utility ruler until his realm crum-
bled during the depression, was
indicted today with his brother,
Martin, on charges of embez-
zlement and larceny.

The collapse of the Insull hold-
ing companies caused losses of
many millions.
The indictments today were
based on charges that funds were
abstracted from two financing
companies in the Insull utility sys-
tem and used to support a mar-
ginal stock market account main-
tained by Martin Insull.

Samuel Insull was alleged in
the indictments to have had know-
ledge of the withdrawals and to
have endorsed a check for part of
the abstraction. The total of
funds allegedly diverted was
\$514,942.74.

A county grand jury returned
the indictments in open court af-
ter deliberating less than an hour
on evidence given by six wit-
nesses.
Capsules were issued for the ar-
rest of the two brothers. Action
was started to extradite Samuel
Insull from Paris, where he has
been since shortly after the fi-
nancing machinery for his vast
holdings collapsed, and Martin In-
sull from London.

Oregon Briefs

TO FINANCE BUILDING
PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 4—
(AP)—Word was received here
today that the Reconstruction Fi-
nance corporation has granted an
\$800,000 loan to the Public Mar-
ket company of Portland to fi-
nance construction of a \$1,400,000
public market building here.
The money will be available as
soon as papers, being prepared in
Washington, are completed. It
was estimated the papers would
be ready for signature in about
two weeks.

ONE SINCE FRIDAY
BAKER, Ore., Oct. 4—(AP)—
Fear for the safety of Carl Hew-
itt, 80, living near here, when a
searching party organized out of
North Powder had failed to lo-
cate him late today.

The elderly man left his home
Friday to go deer hunting on Goat
mountain near North Powder. He
has not been seen since.

DRIVER DOESN'T STOP
PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 3—
(AP)—Benjamin E. Moore, 61, of
Portland was instantly killed to-
night when his bicycle was
struck by an automobile while he
was riding on the east side Pa-
cific highway south of Portland.
Police investigators said he was
struck by a hit-run driver.

Mr. Moore was the father of
Mrs. E. B. Lyons, who with her

UTILITY FIRM'S HIGH PRESSURE METHODS EYED

Public Service Company's
Hearing is Under way
Before Thomas

Molalla Manager Recites
Sales Program Forced
On Local Employes

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 4—
(AP)—The story of a stock sell-
ing campaign that was imposed
on local utility employes and ap-
proached the intensity of a war-
time liberty bond drive was un-
folded before state public util-
ities commissioner, Charles M.
Thomas today through the testi-
mony of Strickland, manager of
the Molalla Electric company,
a subsidiary of the Pacific
Northwest Public Service com-
pany.

Mr. Strickland's testimony con-
sumed the entire day of the hear-
ing being held here by Commis-
sioner Thomas to inquire into the
financial relations of the Pacific
Northwest Public Service com-
pany, its Chicago parent com-
pany, the Central Public Service
corporation, and the Chicago
brokerage firm of Albert E.
Pierce & Co.

Employees of the Molalla Elec-
tric company, like those of other
subsidiaries were organized into
a sales force to approach rela-
tives, friends and customers with
the proposition to exchange
their stock of the old Portland
Electric company (now the Pa-
cific Northwest Public Service
company) for that of the Central
Public Service corporation or to
buy the latter stock outright, Mr.
Strickland testified.

Each unit was assigned a quota
of stocks to sell. Mr. Strickland
said, and twice he received let-
ters from high officials of A. E.
Pierce & Co., asking why his men
were not making a better record.
A. E. Pierce himself sent Mr.
Strickland a telegram requesting
an explanation, the latter testi-
fied.

He denied, however, that he
had been threatened with loss
of his position if he did not show
more activity in selling the stock.
Within two and one-half
months after sale of stock was
discontinued January 1, 1932, a
dividend payment was passed.
None has been paid since.

FARMER ON PICKET LINE IS SHOT DEAD

CANBY, Minn., Oct. 4—(AP)—
Nordahn Peterson, 25, farmer
near here, was shot and killed to-
night by unidentified assailants in
an automobile as he stood with
several other persons near a farm
picket station about one mile west
of here. Fred Hacker, another
picketeer, was shot a few minutes
earlier at another picket station,
but escaped uninjured.

Hacker, also a farmer, was shot
down by two men at another pick-
et station here, a few minutes before
the Peterson killing.
Authorities said after an in-
vestigation that Peterson and three
other picketeers, while in a tent
alongside the highway, were
aroused by shots from a passing
car.

As Peterson stepped from the
tent, the machine directed back
and several more shots were fired,
one bullet striking him in the chest
and killing him instantly. The car
then sped away.

Over Billion in Loans Reported By Corporation

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4—(AP)—
In its first seven months of life
the reconstruction finance corpo-
ration lent to private enterprise
and state governments more than
one billion, two hundred million
dollars.

This grand total of its opera-
tions from February 2 through
August 31, was announced today
by the corporation in a summary
which showed banks, railroads,
insurance and other financial
companies borrowed \$1,118,532,
969; farmers received \$64,201,
989; and \$35,455,171 went to 25
states and one territory for relief
of destitution. The grand total
was \$1,218,190,129, or approxi-
mately one third of the \$3,500,
000,000 allowed the corporation
by congress.

Offers to Teach For Room, Board

BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 4—(AP)—
Banner Jordan, graduate of Lew-
iston normal school, today offered
to teach a school for the coming
year for room and board.
He made his offer to W. D. Vin-
cent, commissioner of education,
with the explanation that he had
been unable to secure a job teach-
ing and was willing to donate his
services for board and room.

Questioned on Bombing Story



Paul Callicotte, Portland mount-
aineer was yesterday ques-
tioned by San Francisco offi-
cers familiar with the Pre-
paredness day bombing in that
city in 1916, concerning his
story that he placed a suitcase
which may have contained
the bomb which killed 19 per-
sons.

REPEAL PETITIONS GOING TO TRINDLE

Ballot Title to be Given
Boyer; Expected to go
To Van Winkle

Checking of the names of a suf-
ficient number of water repeal pe-
tition signers to meet legal re-
quirements will be completed by
this morning, it was announced
yesterday at the office of City Re-
corder Poulsen. Poulsen said he
would then turn over the petitions
and the proposed repeal measure
to city attorney for a ballot title.
The petitions and the repeal pro-
posal of the \$2,500,000 water
bond issue authorized December
15, 1931, were presented to Pou-
lsen late last week.

It is expected that the city at-
torney will promptly prepare a
ballot title, and return the mea-
sure to the city recorder who will
then certify the repeal measure to
County Clerk Boyer. The ques-
tion will then come up whether
the repeal proposal can be placed
on the general election ballot No-
vember 3. It is contended by
some attorneys that Boyer should
not and cannot place the measure
on the ballot since the 45-day time
limit provided by state law has
passed. The 30-day limit provided
by city ordinance does not expire
until this weekend but these at-
torneys hold the state law, not
the city ordinance, governs in a
general election.

County Clerk Boyer is expected
to refer the matter to District At-
torney Carson who has announced
he will pass the legal question on
to Attorney General VanWinkle
for an opinion, since a state ques-
tion is involved.

Wood Nickels Only Taboo, Collections

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 4—
(AP)—Wooden nickels will still
be taboo, but most anything else,
so long as it has a bit of gold, will
be acceptable when the collection
plates are passed in the fash-
ionable Broad street. Methodist
church next Sunday.

The Rev. F. Howard Callahan
sent out letters asking his flock
to rummage around their attics
and dig up those discarded watch-
es, jewelry, trinkets and dental
work.

It's his plan for increasing the
church collections without lower-
ing the members' bank accounts.
The gifts will be sent to a ref-
iners' and the money realized
from the drops will be placed in
a "minister's permanent emer-
gency fund." "Doesn't Exodus 35:33
say 'And every man that offered,
offered an offering of gold?'" the
pastor said.

Scio Woodcutter Seriously Hurt By Falling Tree

SCIO, Oct. 4—(Special)—Rich-
ard Schrick, 34, suffered a frac-
tured skull about 2:15 o'clock
this afternoon when a tree which
he was felling struck him. He was
working about seven miles east
of town for P. C. Goplin. Schrick
was brought here and attended
by Dr. Frill, who rushed him to
the Albany hospital.

He is unconscious, and the doc-
tor says it will be at least 24
hours before he can say how good
chances for recovery are.
Schrick, an unmarried man,
lives with his father and brothers
a few miles east of here.

FIRE AT LYONS HELD BACK BUT PERIL REMAINS

Immediate Danger Averted
By Back Firing; Crew
Works Feverishly

Stop Flames at Highway;
Several Small Fires
In County Fought

LYONS, Oct. 4—(Special)—
The forest fire near here, which
originated on the Haverly-Hobby
acreage and grew to sizable pro-
portions Monday is still blazing,
although immediate danger was
sidetracked when a large crew of
men back fired along the high-
way to prevent the fire jumping
to the houses on the south side of
the road.

Warden Thomas of Jordan and
a warden from Sweet Home are
on the patrol here, and with their
crew have been able to hold the
fire from getting to the Lyons
schoolhouse. All available pumps
have been kept going.
Quite a quantity of wood has
been burned, including some be-
longing to Mr. Ransom of Lyons
and some to others who had cut
wood for sale.

A belt of dry grass between
town and the river which had
grown waist high, and an un-
usually large amount of unburned
slashings helped to feed the blaze,
which is said to be burning over
an area a mile and a half square.
If present humidity keeps up,
the fire will be a threat to the
town's safety for two or three
days more.

SILVERTON, Oct. 4—A truck-
load of men left Silverton late
Monday night for the Grassy Flat
district to fight a fire there. The
fire was across the creek from the
milk ranch on the Abiqua river
above Silverton. Another group
was reported going out in the
Crooked Finger country on Butte
Creek.

No reports of fires in Marion
county, except a few ranch blazes,
had been received up to late last
night by the state forester's of-
fice, according to Theodore Rain-
water, deputy.

WATER CASE IS UP BEFORE LEWELLING

Demurrer is Taken Under
Advisement; Judge has
Notably Busy day

Judge L. G. Lewelling, opening
a term of court in his depart-
ment here, has one of the busiest
days Tuesday which can come
before a judge. A group of im-
portant matters were before him,
several of which the judge con-
sidered within the day.

A demurrer on the amended
complaint of the city against the
Oregon-Washington Water Ser-
vice company was taken under
advisement by the court after
argument. An early decision is
expected. The case involves the
mooted \$2,500,000 water bond
issue authorized in the charter
amendment passed last December.

Two cases involving sale of
Central Public Service company
stock were also argued on de-
murrer before Judge Lewelling,
the court taking both cases under
advisement and asking for briefs.
Similar action was taken in the
appeal of the Ladd & Bush Trust
company from the decision of the
probate court in the Mills will
case.

Judge Latourette of Oregon
City will hear the Carson vs. the
County Court case, Judge Lew-
elling being disqualified for hav-
ing served as district attorney
and taken compensation in Linn
county in a manner similar to
that received by arson. Counsel
on both sides agreed to Judge
Latourette.

Gerschkovitch Engaged to Conduct Salem Symphony

The symphony orchestra of Sa-
lem will have for its conductor
during the current season Jacques
Gerschkovitch, who for nine years
has been conductor of the Port-
land junior orchestra. Arrange-
ments were completed Tuesday by
a committee of the orchestra
board composed of Prof. Edward
Tilson, Mrs. W. E. Anderson,
Mrs. R. J. Masake, Walter Jenks
and C. A. Sprague.

The initial practice under the
new conductor was held at the
Y. M. C. A. last night, and further
practices will be held each week
until the first concert of the
season which will be the last week
in November. About thirty mem-
bers participated in the practice last
night and additional members are

LOSS IN OREGON FOREST FIRES IS UP IN MILLIONS

But Only one Death Reported Though Towns of Cochran
And Wyeth Destroyed; Wending Blaze is Battled by
Big Crew With Slight Hope of Saving Property; all
Of Residents Evacuate

Many Farm Houses Incinerated by Flames Sweeping Over
Gales Creek District in Washington County; Nearly
100,000 Acres of Timber and Brush Land Burned Over
In Widespread Sections of State

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 4—(AP)—Destruction, symbolized
by writhing red flames and greenish smoke, spread over
western Oregon forest lands today.

Damage was estimated at several million dollars as forest
fires lashed through several logging communities after
burning through vast stands of green timber. Forestry of-
ficials estimated nearly 100,000 acres of timber and brush
lands were covered by raging flames, the fire pits ranging
from the Columbia river to Curry county, bordering on the
California line.

The only consoling factor was that despite the tremen-
dous property damage, only one life was lost.

COUNTY PAYS OFF ALL INDEBTEDNESS

Treasurer Redeems \$18,000
In Bonds Turned in by
New York Holders

Marion county's last cent of
indebtedness was fully paid yester-
day.

Technically the county has
been out of debt since July 15
when the final installment of
\$850,000 in bonds became due
and the county made available
interest and principal to pay the
full obligation.

Actually \$18,000 of the bonds
remained outstanding, in the
hands of holders who evidently
were in no hurry for the money.
Yesterday from an eastern
trust company County Treasurer
Drager received 18 \$1000 bonds,
ten of which bore not only the
July 15 interest coupon but inter-
est coupons for January 15,
1932, showing the holders did
not bother to secure the semi-
annual interest payment.

Treasurer Drager immediately
paid the face of the bonds and
took up the interest coupons,
thus completing the transaction
which Marion county borrow-
ed \$850,000 for road improve-
ments.

The county has had no war-
rant indebtedness for years.
Road and general funds on hand
at the end of 1932 are expected
to exceed \$500,000 despite in-
creasing tax delinquency.

Waters is Again Named Chief of Bonus Marchers

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Oct. 4—
(AP)—In a dramatic session
which several times swept beyond
control of the officers, a national
convention of the bonus expedi-
tionary force today re-elected
Walter W. Waters of Portland,
Ore., as its commander.

Convention rules were tossed
aside, as the shouting, milling
delegates from more than a score
of states threatened Franklin
Coffin of Washington, D. C., who
urged that Waters be not con-
sidered for re-election.

Expected to build the numbers up
to around 50.
It is planned this year to have
coaches or assistant conductors
for separate sections. These are
expected to be: Mary Schultz,
first violin; Grace Maurie Mitchell,
Moumouh normal, second vi-
olin; Mrs. R. J. Masake, wood
wind; Wesley Roeder and Walter
Rahaut, brass. Raymond Carl will
be librarian and orchestra man-
ager.

The soloist for the first con-
cert will be Miss Nancy Thibelen,
Salem girl, who after completing
her course in the University of
Oregon is now instructor in voice
at Albany college.
Persons who desire to join the
orchestra are invited to get in
touch with Prof. Edward Tilson,
who is chairman of the music
committee.

Late Sports

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 4—
(AP)—The Washington high
school football eleven defeated
the Franklin high school squad
here today, 3 to 0.

The Colonials gained their
touchdown after intercepting a
Quaker pass on the latter's 25-
yard line, and advancing by a
combination of passes and line
plunges. They added two points
in the second period with a safety.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 4—
(AP)—The pennant winning Port-
land Ducks were honored tonight
at a banquet sponsored by the
Portland junior chamber of com-
merce. Several speakers, headed
by Mayor George L. Baker, praised
the Ducks for their sports-
manship shown throughout the
1932 race.

President Tom Turner and
Manager Abbott responded on be-
half of the Portland club.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Oct. 4—
(AP)—Vince Dundee, Baltimore,
middleweight, tonight received a
referee's decision over Gusbay
Phelps of Phoenix, Ariz., in a 10
round bout here.