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THE WEATHER Fair today and Monday, somewhat warmer today; Max. Temp. Saturday 78, Min. 44, westerly -3.3 feet, northerly winds.

NEWS PICTURES

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EIGHTY-FIFTH YEAR

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Revocation of Kerr's Retirement Pay Asked By Marion Legislator

'Unwarranted Action' Of Higher School Board is Hit

Financial Needs Cited At Last Session Are Doubted

"Prompt revocation" by the board of higher education of its allegedly "unwarranted action" in voting \$6,000 annual retirement pay to Dr. W. J. Kerr...

Protests Pay Given Dr. Kerr



MRS HANNAH MARTIN

Pointing to the plea of the board at the last session for more funds, Mrs. Martin wrote Marks: "If the board has sufficient sums to grant such a large retirement pension to a man who has been so liberally rewarded by the state, one would draw the conclusion that your board has more funds available than it needs."

Her letter, in full, follows: "May I register a firm protest at the action of the Board of Higher Education in voting Dr. W. J. Kerr an annual retirement salary of \$6,000, less existing salary cuts."

"I appreciate the long and valued service of Chancellor Kerr in the development of education in Oregon; however, I believe that the retirement salary was unwarranted and unjustified; first, because such a pension is discriminatory; second, because it is an unwarranted and unreasonable burden on the taxpayers of Oregon; third, it is against public policy."

"Reference to the records at Oregon State College shows that Dr. Kerr came to Oregon as president at an annual salary of \$5,000; in 1913 this salary was increased to \$7,000. In 1918 it was again increased to \$10,000 a year and in 1927 it was again increased to \$12,000 a year and since that time has only been diminished as uniform salary reductions were made affecting all state officials."

"In addition to this salary, by far the highest paid by Oregon to any official, Dr. Kerr has received from the state for many years and without charge a residence, the use of a large expensive car, provision for a driver, and many incidental expenses, including all traveling expenses. I believe the records show that Dr. Kerr was furnished, among other things, an ink well for his personal use at a cost to the state of \$70. This would indicate that the state was not parsimonious when dealing with Dr. Kerr."

"It has been contended that the advice and cooperation of Dr. Kerr is still needed and that the annual award of \$6,000 was not intended as a pension. Such argument would admit the incompetency of the board. The board should be, and I believe is, qualified and competent to manage and transact the business of higher education in our state without adding highly paid employees or paying Chancellor Kerr for his continued advice."

"If and when the Board of Higher Education embarks upon a retirement plan, it should apply to all alike, without discrimination and without favor. There are many who have rendered faithful and valued service in the interest of higher education and to provide for the retirement of Dr. Kerr without making provisions for those others who have also served is unfair and discriminatory."

THIRD PARTY TALK BECOMING LOUDER

Rhode Island Results Are Studied; Republicans Hoping For Split

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Third party talk has revived following the New Deal defeat in Rhode Island this week and the questions it raised about future administration policy.

Senator Nye (R-N. D.) brought it into the open today with a flat prediction: "There will be a third party next year." Some leading republican regulars, too, mentioned for presidential nomination, indicated in private conversations they had by no means dismissed the possibility. They seemingly hoped it would happen, evidently on the theory that the Roosevelt ticket would be the sufferer.

Lowry Winner in Sliding Handicap At Traps Event

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10.—(AP)—H. G. Lowry of Aberdeen, Wash., shot a 98 out of a possible 100 birds today to win first place in the sliding handicap event of the fifth annual Pacific international trapshoot.

Higher Taxes Upon Small Incomes in Senate's Bill

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—(AP)—A progressive-conservative coalition took command of the senate finance committee today and voted to boost income taxes on even the smallest taxpayers, beginning at a new low level of \$800 a year.

Long View in Capitol Site Choice Urged

Since the erection of a new capitol is a permanent project "which would afford a sense of satisfaction to every citizen and provide a site for future buildings, I would regard the proposal—to acquire the Willamette university campus—as being wise and far-sighted."



CARL G. DONEY

Such is the formal opinion of Dr. Carl G. Doney, for 19 years president of the institution here, in a letter received by The Statesman yesterday at its request.

"In general I should favor a new location for the university if a proper site could be secured and if the state does not allow it to suffer a loss," Dr. Doney declares. The letter was written from Columbus, Ohio, where Dr. and Mrs. Doney now reside. The comments of the former president, in full, follow: Special Advantages To State Are Seen Pursuant to your request for an expression of my views concerning the proposal to move Willamette university to another site, I am sending this letter.

The advantage to the state of Oregon from having a larger area for the new capitol building are self evident. This area should be unbroken and should the university campus be secured, I should think that State street should be closed between Winter and Twelfth streets and a boulevard run around the south side of the present campus, using the mill stream as an accessory to beautification. This would afford an unbroken area of about 25 acres for the various state buildings.

The disadvantages to the state would be represented by an additional cost of approximately a million or two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; but since this (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

FIRE SPREADING IN NORTHWEST WOODS

1000 Acres Burning, Union Vicinity; Much Damage Is Done by Flames

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 10.—(AP)—New forest fires flared up in Oregon and western Montana today as wind in the wake of a parching heat wave created the worst woods hazard of the summer.

Equipment for 100 fire fighters was rushed from here today to Glacier National park in Montana, where a new blaze had sprung up. Reports received at the regional United States forest service headquarters did not indicate dangerous proportions. It was reported burning over 500 acres.

A force of 300 CCC workers was sent against a 1,000-acre forest fire southeast of Union in eastern Oregon. The advance of the flames appeared to be checked late today after covering an area a mile and a half long and a mile wide.

Also they substituted higher estate taxes for Mr. Roosevelt's requested inheritance taxes and made other changes estimated to increase the bill's revenue-raising power from the house's \$250,000,000 to more than \$400,000,000.

PORTLAND AND DALLES VIE IN JUNIOR FINALS

Milwaukie is Nosed Out by Columbia Outfit 8 to 7 In See-Saw Contest

Preliminary to Final Today Starts at 1 O'clock on Woodburn Diamond

WOODBURN, Aug. 10.—Before the largest crowd that ever jammed Legion park, The Dalles and the Sugar Crest nine of Portland fought their way into the finals of the state American Legion junior baseball playoff here today. Sugar Crest dropped Roseburg easily by a 6 to 1 score and The Dalles eliminated the strong Milwaukie team 8 to 7 after a pitched battle in which the score was knotted three times.

The two winners will meet in the final game tomorrow, immediately following a seven inning consolation game between Roseburg and Milwaukie which starts at 1 o'clock. The championship team, after presentation of trophies and awards, will entertain at 6:34 tomorrow for Great Falls, Mont., where the sectional playoff will be held Tuesday and Wednesday.

Capacity Crowd at Games on Saturday A crowd of 1250 fans witnessed today's double header and arrangements are being made to accommodate a much larger crowd tomorrow.

Sugar Crest, working behind the five hit pitching of Jack Shaw, had little trouble in downing the Roseburg aggregation. Playing errorless ball the Portland juniors held the southern Oregon team to the one run that came in the first when Crouch batted in Curly McLain with a blow over third base.

The doughnut makers took only seven hits off the delivery of Scherner, Roseburg hurler, but the seven errors of which Roseburg was guilty aided them in piling up runs. Scherner threw curves almost exclusively, at one time throwing 31 straight and shortly afterward 33 straight to break his own record.

An overthrow at third in the first inning gave the Portland team its first score. Two more were added in the third, an error brought in another two in the seventh and the final tally came in the ninth.

Milwaukie, representative of this district, edged out 8 to 7 by The Dalles, rated as the state's best team.

WPA STRIKES MAY SPREAD TO OREGON

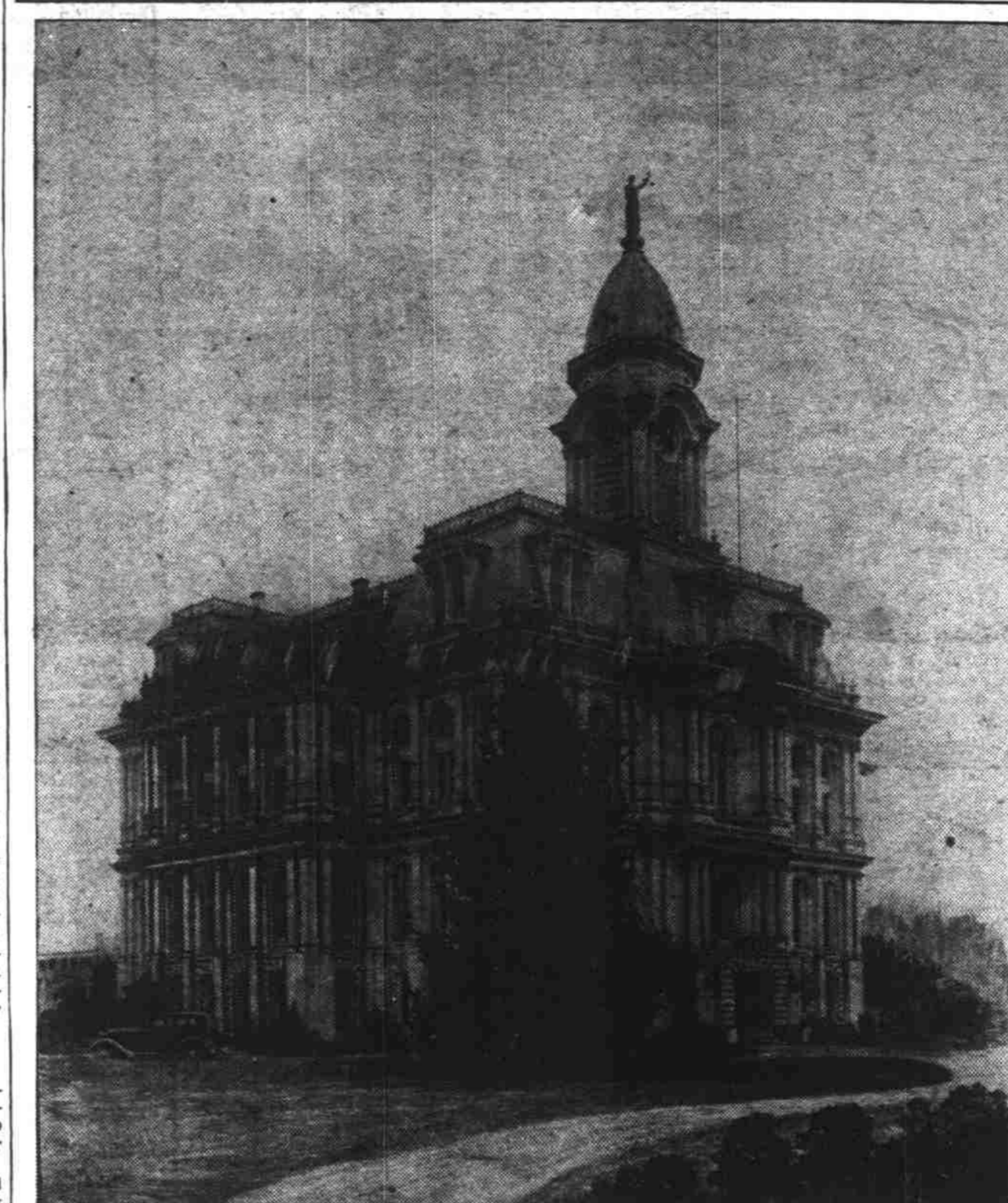
PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Possibility that organized labor may come in conflict with the Oregon works progress administration in the matter of wages loomed tonight when Ben T. Osborne, state labor president, assailed the present WPA scale and declared he would insist that prevailing wages be paid.

E. J. Griffith, state works progress administrator, said Osborne's suggestion was "impossible" because of limited funds.

The difference of opinion broke into the open at the opening of the state labor federation's annual convention, which opens here Monday.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 10.—(AP)—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, said tonight he stood ready to help settle the New York riot strike, it called upon by officers of the unions concerned.

PROPOSED COURTHOUSE MODERNIZATION



Picture above shows architects' conception of Marion county courthouse as it would appear when remodeled. Present recessed walls would be brought out and present steps to west and east would be eliminated. Almost double the useful floor-space would be secured by an efficient rearrangement of the five floors, only three of which are now fully used. The structure would be fireproof since interior supports would be steel with floors of reinforced concrete. Eventually, if Marion county residents desired, the present walls could be replaced by entirely new walls without loss of the funds now expended for remodeling. The cost of the entire project to Marion county will not exceed \$96,000. Drawing by Knighton and Howell, Portland architects.

RECIPES FOR USE OF SQUASH ASKED

Three Cash Prizes Offered By Round Table; More 'Revivals' Given

There are all sorts of secrets for cooking squash successfully. How to keep it from being watery. How to combine it with other vegetables or tiny pork sausages. Any suggestions on how to prepare squash for the table will be eligible in the Round Table contest this week.

Three cash prizes will be announced Friday morning. The contest closes Thursday noon, August 15.

The revival recipe today is: Duchess Potatoes 2 cups mashed potatoes 1 egg or 1 yolk beaten 1/4 cup grated cheese if desired Add egg and cheese to hot mashed potatoes. Beat until light. Place in greased casserole and broil in a hot oven, 425 degrees, (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Horses Burn To Death in Eugene Fire

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Seventeen horses were burned to death in a spectacular fire which destroyed the city stables here tonight. Eight others were led to safety, though some suffered burns. The flames threatened nearby wood yards and other buildings before being brought under control by the efforts of the city's entire fire department.

The city maintenance building was considerably damaged. Origin of the blaze was not immediately determined.

Editors Request Spaulding Press Return to Idaho

HAILEY, Idaho, Aug. 10.—(AP)—A resolution passed by 300 members of the Idaho State Editorial association during the organization's annual mid-summer session here today appealed to the Oregon State Historical society at Salem, Ore., to return to Idaho the printing press that reputedly was used by the Rev. Henry Spaulding, one of the founders of the settlement in 1836 at a point near what now is Lewiston, Idaho.

World News at a Glance

(By The Associated Press) Washington: Senate finance committee votes to boost taxes on incomes as low as \$800 a year. Power industry spokesman challenges Roosevelt to make utility "death sentence" issue for 1936.

Congress hopes for adjournment in a week. Senator Nye predicts third party "next year" on basis of Rhode Island election.

Other Domestic: New York — Showdown on PWA strike due Monday. Springfield, O. — Four killed, score hurt as work car telescopes interurban train.

Chicago — Galli-Curel undergoes successful operation for goitre. Foreign: Paris — Laval warns France of dictatorship. Mexico City — Attempt to assassinate President Cardenas disclosed.

Berlin — Nazi official newspaper presages new "housecleaning" of non-Aryans. Honolulu — Pan-American clipper completes third successful Pacific hop.

EX-PUBLISHER DIES SANTA MONICA, Calif., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Joseph Lipman, 77, former Salt Lake City newspaper publisher, and one time United States attorney for Utah, died at his home here today.

BELLIGERENTS RUSH WAR PREPARATIONS

Mussolini Views Maneuvers While Ethiopians Plan For Army of 600,000

ROME, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini reviewed part of his navy today and ordered still more men to bear arms as he drove ahead with his huge East African campaign.

Huge military maneuvers, which will employ more than 500,000 men all told, began Thursday in northern Italy with a big mock air battle in which five squadrons were engaged, an official communique said.

He flew to the Spezia naval training station and there, from the decks of the flag cruiser Zara, watched tactical maneuvers of the first naval squadron.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Ethiopia plans to throw an army of 600,000 men into the field if war comes with Italy, said a report today from Addis Ababa.

A Reuter's (British) news agency dispatch asserted Emperor Haile Selassie has already armed 250,000 men and named six divisional commanders, one of them his son, 19-year-old Crown Prince Asfa Wusien.

Diplomatic circles here placed the odds of war at 5 to 1, a significant indication of the gravity with which the situation is viewed.

Scouts to Have Adventure Though Jamboree 'All off'

Eleven of the 13 Boy Scouts who had planned to go to Washington, D. C., national jamboree, called off last Thursday by President Roosevelt because of the danger of infantile paralysis, decided at their meeting at the Rotary hut last night to take a trip anyway. One group will attend a regional jamboree at Camp Parsons on Hood's canal, out of Seattle, and the other will hike into the Jefferson park area.

Another group to be led by Scout Commissioner Ferris White with two assistants to be selected will spend from ten days to two weeks in the Jefferson park area. Among other activities they will look for a suitable lake or stream site for a new Cascade area scout camp. Each of Troops in Area Represented Thirty-three boys will be taken on the mountain trip, with representation of every troop in the area offered. This outing will cost each boy \$8, in contrast with \$35 for the Seattle journey.

PROJECT IS URGED BY CHIEF

Letter From Governor Says County Planning Board's Authority Includes All Types of U. S. Works

County Court Taking Steps To Forward Application; Placing Item in Budget Is Considered

A letter directed from the governor's office yesterday to August Hucklestein, chairman of the Marion county planning commission, as well as each of the other 12 members, was expected to pave the way for reconsideration early this week by that commission of the proposed \$175,000 project for remodeling of the inadequate Marion county courthouse.

The letter, written by William L. Gossin, secretary to Governor Martin, explained that the local planning group had full authority to give consideration to projects handled by "any and all federal agencies" including WPA, PWA and EFC.

The statement went on to say that the governor's office had read "with much interest of the proposed project for the reconstruction of the Marion county courthouse." Careful Study of Proposal is Urged "You would be interested to know that the Clackamas county planning commission has prepared and approved a very elaborate project for the reconstruction of the courthouse at Oregon City. In view of the fact that the federal government will be spending a large sum of money in the erection of a new and modern capitol in Salem, we hope that your commission will give careful study to the proposal with reference to the Marion county courthouse," the letter continued.

Meanwhile members of the Marion county court were taking steps to get a formal application for PWA funds off to Portland and Washington, District Attorney Trindle was asked yesterday to prepare a formal opinion on the proper steps for the court to take in including an item for a remodeling of the courthouse in the 1936 budget. The court was working on a list of proposed works.

Progress administration road projects with the thought in mind that money could be saved for the county in having these provided for by the federal government, with the resulting savings made available for the courthouse job.

August Hucklestein, chairman of the planning commission, said yesterday he would probably convene that group in a special session this week, because he believed the courthouse project one which merited immediate consideration.

CALIFORNIA WOMAN KILLED ON HIGHWAY

ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Mrs. Eva Christensen of San Francisco was killed in an auto accident 14 miles south of this city tonight when a car driven by her husband, F. J. Christensen, struck loose gravel at the side of the road and plunged into a ditch. The driver and three others, including two children, suffered minor injuries.

Christensen was reported by hospital attendants here to have suffered a wrenched or dislocated shoulder. Mrs. Rose Hoffheim, also of San Francisco, and her two children, were badly bruised. Mrs. Hoffheim also had an injured wrist, although it was not immediately determined whether it had been fractured.

State police, who investigated the accident said no other car was involved. The mishap occurred on the Pacific highway. The Christensen's San Francisco address was given as 950 Franklin street.

Louis Will Win, Mandell Belief

EMMETTSBURG, Ia., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Joe Louis, sensational negro fighter of Detroit, will defeat Max Baer, former world's heavyweight champion, in their scheduled bout this fall, Sammy Mandell, former world's lightweight champion, of Rockford, Ill., says he believes.