

The Weather
Partly cloudy today and Sunday, normal; Max Temp Friday 81, Min. 52, river -3.5 feet, light northwest wind, partly cloudy.

State Fair
Complete coverage of the state fair, its attractions, coming events and highlights, will be found in The Statesman during the fair week.

EIGHTY-SIXTH YEAR

Decision Upon Pipeline Material Due Soon

Woman Flying Alone Across Stormy Ocean

To Make History if She Reaches U. S.; Other Fliers Doubtful

No Radio Along; Merrill and Richman Awaiting Better Conditions

(Copyrighted, 1936, by Associated Press) ABINGDON AIRDROME, Berkshire, Eng., Sept. 4.—Mrs. Beryl Markham, 35-year-old mother, tonight flew over the squally Atlantic ocean in her attempt to be the first woman to fly from England to New York.

The attractive society woman left her seven-year-old son at home and took off from the royal airforce airdrome here at 6:50 p.m. (12:50 p.m. eastern standard time) in the face of forecasts of a gusty ocean.

She said she hoped to be in New York in 20 or 24 hours. She faced bad weather almost from the outset.

Latest weather reports from Ireland predicted showers and murky light during the long summer twilight which ordinarily would have aided her.

Will Miss Worst Portion of Storm

The only reassuring word came from the air ministry which reported that although there would be head winds and rain squalls, a storm area 600 miles off the American coast was not on her projected course.

Her turquoise-blue plane, a stock model, carried 260 gallons of gasoline and no radio equipment.

Thus, the only news of her progress over the ocean must come from ships at sea which might sight her plane marked "VP-KCC."

Her takeoff was unostentatious, only a few friends on the field to bid her adieu on her hazardous venture in her comparatively light ship named "The Messenger."

In the ship's cabin was a jug of black coffee, and a package of fruit and nuts—her only food and drink.

Before she took off she told friends she expected to average about 156 miles an hour on the projected 3,450 mile flight.

Waited Four Days

For Good Weather

She waited for four days for favorable weather and then started in the face of adverse conditions which Harry Richman, the singer, who with Dick Merrill flew from New York to Wales the day before, said, "I shouldn't like to face, myself."

"I don't think I shall get far with a light plane," said Richman, who, with Merrill, made their record-speed crossing in a ship that cost \$100,000.

"I wish she had talked to me before taking off because I had a report from the United States weather bureau about a hurricane off Bermuda."

Richman and Merrill said they would wait for more favorable weather before taking off on their projected return speed flight to New York.

Mrs. Markham tonight was essaying what no woman—and few men—have accomplished.

Italian Cruisers Headed For Spain

ROME, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Reliable sources said tonight that three 6,000-ton cruisers had sailed for Spain today in the wake of the 10,000-ton cruiser Pola heading for Barcelona.

It was estimated that Italy now has 23 naval units in or near Spanish waters, the majority of which are auxiliary craft hovering within fast cruising radius of bigger ships already stationed at Spanish ports.

With the Pola nearing Barcelona, an Italian press ministry spokesman said the government "hopes there will be no need to intervene in Spain."

Italy, he said, may have to take active steps to protect her nationals if the Spanish authorities are unable to do so and another Italian death results from the Spanish civil war.

The Pola was sent under forced draft to Barcelona after the killing of an Italian worker by Spanish government forces was reported Thursday.

Skelton Improves

Hospital attendants said last night that the condition of Virgil K. Skelton, suffering from a bullet wound in the abdomen, had improved yesterday but was still critical. Skelton, shot Monday night by Dr. F. C. Jones, faces charges of burglary and attempted burglary.

Is Flying Solo Over Atlantic



BERYL MARKHAM

Defendant Winner In Damage Action

Lulu Brown Loses Case in Circuit Court Over Accident Injury

After considering evidence in the \$30,800 damage case of Lulu Brown against George W. Rittenman for three and one-half hours, the circuit court jury which heard the case returned a verdict at 8:30 o'clock last night in favor of the defendant. The jury came in one time for clarification of instructions of law by Judge L. G. Lewelling.

The case arose out of an accident on the 12th street cut off November 24, 1935. The plaintiff contended that the accident was caused by the negligence of Rittenman in failing to keep a proper lookout while driving his car. She alleged that as a result of the accident she suffered permanent injuries.

Further Instruction On Negligence Asked

Rittenman claimed that Miss Brown contributed to the accident by walking on the wrong side of the road and in failing to keep a proper lookout for approaching cars. The jury sent in a question to the court asking that if it should find that the plaintiff and defendant were both negligent, but that the defendant was more to blame for the accident than the plaintiff if they should return a verdict for the defendant.

Mt. Angel Priest Injured Severely

MT. ANGEL, Sept. 4.—Rev. Edward Spear, young priest at the Dominican abbey, suffered injuries that may prove fatal when he fell 30 feet onto the floor of the new gymnasium today. Still conscious when reached, he was rushed to the Silverton hospital for examination.

Then taken to St. Vincent's hospital in Portland for treatment. Examination revealed both hips fractured, one arm and wrist fractured in several places, skull apparently fractured, and internal injuries, Spear, who was ordained to priesthood last May, was working on beams up under the roof of the new gymnasium when he fell.

City Salary Boost Feasible Within Lax Limits, Learned

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Raises Favored on Lowered Salary Group

O'Hara declared he believed it possible to raise the salary allowances of, at least, city employees now receiving less than \$10 per month, and yet keep the new

Dedication of Flax Plant Is Slated Today

Thousands are Expected at Mt. Angel; Formal Exercises Planned

Ball Game on Schedule; State, Flax Leaders to Make Addresses

MT. ANGEL, Sept. 4.—Tomorrow, the final and greatest day of the Oregon Flax Festival, is expected to bring several thousand spectators into Mt. Angel. Silverton alone expects to send over about 1000 people for the game between the Salem Senators and the Silver Falls Timber company Saturday afternoon. The day will be crowded with events from 9:30 in the morning until 10:00 at night when a glorious fireworks display by the Shell Oil company is expected to finish a glorious day.

The program in full is as follows: 9:30 a. m., official visit and dedication of flax plant, Rev. Father Alcun, master of ceremonies, Governor Charles H. Martin, state board of control, state flax board, WPA representatives, Mayor Jacob Berchtold, visiting mayors, and local officials will take part.

Parade in Morning, Ball Game at 1:30

10:30 a. m., historical flax parade. Following parade addresses will be given by the following: Mayor Berchtold of Mt. Angel; president of Clackamas county flax growers; president of Eugene-Springfield flax growers; president of Mt. Angel flax growers; G. J. Hyslop, president of state flax and linen board; Walter R. May, manager of Portland chamber of commerce; Marshall Dana, chairman of regional planning board; Rufus Holman, state treasurer; Earl Snell, secretary of state; Rt. Rev. Abbott Thomas, O.S.B.; and Governor Charles H. Martin.

12:00 to 1:00 p. m., luncheon. Plate luncheon served in school dining room. The governor, queen an dher court, and visiting notables, guests of Business Men's

Federal Credit Is High F. R. Claims

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Sept. 4.—(AP)—A cheering throng in Illinois' capital heard an assertion by President Roosevelt today that federal credit was on a "sounder basis" than at any other time in the nation's history.

The brief statement, made from the rear platform of the presidential special, came just before Mr. Roosevelt plunged into the semi-ficial conference of his inspection tour of 5,000 miles of sun-depleted crop lands.

Stepping to the platform of his private car for the third time during the day, he remarked that he had just talked by telephone with Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau at Washington.

"Modern science makes it easier for the president to be awarded from Washington," he said. "I have just been talking with the secretary of the treasury about federal financing."

"I might add that the obligations of the government of the United States are on a sounder basis of credit than ever before in all history."

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Hitch-Hiker Bandit Suspects Caught

Two Arrested Admit Holdup; Brought Back

Redmond Man Who Picks Them Up Deprived of Footwear and Car

Eugene Case Also Traced to Youths; Victim is Forced to Walk In

A charge of highway robbery will be filed this morning against the two youths who yesterday afternoon held up John Hagerty near Jefferson. Sheriff A. C. Burk announced at 1 a. m. today after he had lodged the pair in the county jail here.

Two young hitch-hikers who admitted having held up and robbed John T. Hagerty, Redmond, Ore., motorist near Jefferson at 1:30 yesterday afternoon were arrested in Portland last night, Portland police announced. Sheriff A. C. Burk of Marion county immediately left for Portland to bring the two youths back to Salem. They identified themselves as Don Curtis, 21, Portland, and George Corbin, 20, Dallas, Tex.

After walking a mile along the gravelled Ankeny Bottom road in his bare feet to reach a telephone at the Karl Stelzer farm home, Hagerty notified state police here who had picked up in Junction City at 11:45 a. m., had robbed him of his shoes, \$25, \$6 and his automobile.

"We're going to take it from new on the Ankeny Bottom road," the youths as informing him as they left Jefferson headed northward. One of the youths, he said, shoved a small, nickel plated revolver against his side.

They later directed him to turn west on the Ankeny Bottom road, had him turn around after going about two miles, and then a mile from the highway forced him to get out of the car. The pair then drove away in the direction of the highway.

State police brought Hagerty to Salem. He went to the sheriff's office in search of a pair of shoes which he might borrow and then said he would spend the night with friends here.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 4.—(AP)—Sergeant John H. Sumner of the Portland police department said tonight two youths identifying

Warning to Japan Issued in Moscow

MOSCOW, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Amid suddenly-increased tension over the far eastern situation, Russia tonight warned Japan that border incidents were endangering the cause of peace.

The Russian government followed up by instructing its Tokyo embassy to protest immediately over alleged violations of the Soviet frontier by Japanese-Manchurian troops.

The situation on the frontier, Russia sternly warned was becoming "intolerable."

The reasons for the sudden outcropping of the new border "incidents" remained unexplained in Moscow. Since early last April the border tension had been more or less eased.

It had been hoped, official quarters in Moscow said, that the Mongolian-Manchurian agreement to reopen border dispute negotiations September 25 might be followed by a similar agreement between the Soviets and Japanese-Manchurians.

Girl Missing Four Days Says Father

Police aid was requested Friday by Frank McKennon of the state department of agriculture in an effort to locate his daughter, Frances Eva McKennon, 24, who has been missing since Monday. The young woman, who teaches school at Oakland, Ore., left Eugene Monday to visit friends at Albany and has not since been seen, her father said.

The last information of the woman's whereabouts was given by Mrs. George Butke, a friend with whom she visited late last week and until noon Monday.

McKennon began investigating when he returned to his home here Wednesday and found his daughter had not returned.

CANDIDATES' MEETING UNPRECEDENTED



President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Gov. Alfred M. Landon, candidates for presidency, are pictured in this International Illustrated News sound photo when they met at the Des Moines, Iowa, state house, where the drought problem was discussed with governors and legislators from sun-baked prairie states. This picture was made just before the drought conference. At left, Governor Landon; center, Governor R. L. Cochran of Nebraska; and, at right, seated, President Roosevelt.

Iron Is Shambles As Rebels Occupy

Fighting Practically Over and Troops Celebrate While City Burns

By ELMER W. PETERSON (Copyrighted, 1936, by Associated Press) WITH SPANISH REBELS ON OUTSKIRTS OF IRUN, Sept. 4.—Victorious fascist rebels, forced out of the city they captured by flames which made it a gigantic bonfire, danced and shouted on the edge of Irun tonight in celebration of their success.

Fighting in Irun—which had held out against the insurgents' persistent attacks for more than six weeks—had practically ended. There was an occasional bursting shell in the middle of the flaming city, fired from guns at Fort Guadalupe, still held by government forces.

One shell landed and burst only 50 yards away as I came down a road with a group of rebel officers.

Behobia Appears Hit by Hurricane

When I passed through Behobia, scene of heavy fighting in recent days, the little town looked as if it had been hit by a hurricane. The last government militiamen had been killed or had fled across the international bridge into France.

Most houses in Behobia contained not a single unbroken window. Some of the walls had been blown out into the streets.

I walked into a cafe and found (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

WPA Project For Library Approved

Approval of a \$4242 WPA project for inventories, reclassification, repairing and recataloging of books in the Salem public library was given by the library board at a special meeting held last night. This was the first meeting of the board since James T. Rubey assumed the position of librarian. The WPA project was outlined and recommended by him. The cost to the board will be \$185. The project which will employ 11 people will last for seven months and will start November 1, if approved.

The board heard reports and recommendations of Rubey for improving library service to the city.

The board named assistants to Rubey last night. Mrs. Ruth Stratton was appointed assistant librarian, Helen Baird is to be children's librarian, Dorothy Cole will serve as reference librarian and Mrs. Frederick Deckebach will act as assistant reference librarian.

Labor Movement Dichotomy to Be In Effect Today

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—(AP)—The American labor movement was split into two bitter factions tonight when suspension from the American Federation of Labor was calmly accepted by John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, on behalf of his own and nine other "rebel" unions.

The suspension, for "insurrection" and "rebellion" was ordered to take effect tomorrow. Whether suspension will lead to formation of a new labor movement, rival to the A.F. of L., was a question on the tongues of labor men throughout the country.

Lewis said: "If a group of citizens are driven out of a city, and the gates are locked, it is logical to assume that they will band together to protect themselves from the wild beasts of the forest."

John F. White, manager of Northwest Fruit Exchange, told the growers that they were being penalized because people in the nation had not heard of Oregon prunes and thought they were of inferior quality. White explained that the funds for advertising were to be raised by an assessment on the growers on the basis of \$1.50 a ton for prunes 50-60 and larger and \$1 a ton on 60-70s and smaller.

Keep Control of Program, Urged

"Some growers have suggested that the packers should do the advertising," White said, "but advertising is a business, and it should be controlled by the growers themselves."

CASTEL GANDOLFO, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Pope Pius has sought the world to pray today "at a moment in which the world has need of the mercy of God."

Speaking to a group of 200 Italian pilgrims, members of the Franciscan Tertiary orders, the pope urged a crusade of prayer for the world's ills—especially in strife-torn Spain.

Large WPA Projects Will Be Started Soon, District

More than a quarter million dollars worth of WPA projects will be undertaken in and near Salem within the next two months, G. R. Boatwright, district supervisor of operations, announced here yesterday. An additional \$14,000 project in this county and one to cost \$11,560 in Polk county have been applied for and a \$22,101 road project for Yamhill county has been approved.

The largest of the Salem projects will be a blanket road allotment of \$221,600 in federal funds to be matched with \$26,115 by the county court to provide employment within a radius of 20 miles of the city. The set-up calls for general road improvement and operation of rock crushers to supply surfacing materials.

Improving Airport To Employ 30 Men

Boatwright said the task of improving the Salem airport, approved recently by the city council,

Proponents of Various Types Given Hearing

Committee Hears Merits of Wood, Concrete, Steel for Plant

Lumber Interests Admit Use May Be Limited; Urge Industry Aid

The city council will receive a recommendation in the near future as to whether or not it should call for bids on all types of pipe for construction of the Salem-Stayton water system pipeline as a result of a formal hearing conducted by the water construction committee at the water offices last night. Members of the committee said the recommendation, which will signal a gathering of momentum in the water supply program, might be made at the council session next Tuesday night.

The committee last night carried out its announced intention of making the hearing a formal, non-controversial affair. Representatives of concrete, wood and steel pipe manufacturers and of labor interests were listened to in succession and all statements and questions preserved in stenographic notes.

Time Limit Is Not Rigidly Enforced

Although the committee at the opening of the meeting ruled that statements must be limited to 30 minutes for each kind of pipe, the members relented in view of the large number of wood pipe advocates and permitted to speak for salesman and engineers present nearly an hour.

After the pipe men had made their talks, N. M. Jones, who said he represented the Sawmill and Timber Workers union, read an address urging the committee to decide in favor of wood pipe, a decision which he termed "a decision for the people of Oregon." Under questioning, he explained that his organization was speaking for wood pipe, as against pipe made by laborers in other unions, because of "inroads by other materials" which he held menaced the lumber industry.

"Do you contend that the new statehouse here should be built of wood for the same reasons?" asked Alderman Brazier C. Small, after Jones had pleaded for "protection of home industry and business."

"I don't care t o go into that because it would be foolish," Jones replied.

Admit Best Should Be Selected Here

"Don't you think it behooves us," inquired Mayor V. E. Kahn, "to use the very best materials that will pay back to the people dividends they deserve for their investment?"

Jones answered in the affirmative and added, when the mayor asked why pressure in favor of wood pipe was being brought to bear on the committee, that "I'm

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Arizonian Dies at 108; Held Oldest

PRESCOTT, Ariz., Sept. 4.—(AP)—Edward McGinley, who claimed to be 108 year old and attributed his longevity to his daily "trip" at hard labor, died peacefully today at the Arizona Pioneers home.

He was known as the oldest living white man in Arizona. An hour and half before death, McGinley pulled on his clothes and went for a little walk, a daily habit. When he returned to his bed, he calmly announced to those about him:

"Well, I'm going." A few minutes later he was dead.

From the time he picked slate out of coal piles in the mines of Mauch Chunk, Pa. for a few cents a day, to the time he entered the Pioneers home at the age of 99, McGinley led the rough and tumble existence of a teamster on railroad and levee building projects.

Chadwick Leases Hotel At Grants Pass, Word

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Sept. 4.—(AP)—C. H. Demaray owner of the Redwoods hotel, said today the hotel had been leased to W. M. Chadwick of Salem, operator of the Senator and Marion hotels in Salem, the Jackson in Medford and the Oregon in Eugene. The Redwoods has 90 rooms.