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Weather  
Cloudy and cooler today and Monday; Max. Temp. Saturday 85, Min. 56. Light southwesterly wind, partly cloudy.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR

## Japan Impatient; War Sentiment Spreads

### SERIOUS WAR THREAT SEEN IN ORIENT



Gen. Chiang Kai-shek Japanese troops mobilize



Chinese artillery in action

Clashes between Japanese and Chinese troops on the northern border of China near the puppet state of Manchukuo precipitated a grave crisis which threatened to result in open warfare. Scenes such as those above, showing Chinese and Japanese troops on duty at Peiping, focal point of the trouble zone outlined in the map, were common as the situation grew more critical. Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, dictator of the Chinese national government, was central figure in the situation which may force him from his past policy of passive resistance to Japanese aggression.

### Drastic Action Threatened if Chinese Delay

Papers of Tokyo clamor for decision quickly on Peace or War

Demands not Fully Told yet; General Sung's Attitude Irksome

Far Eastern Situation  
TIENTSIN — Japanese army 16,000 strong and growing, threatens drastic action unless China speedily accepts its demands—no made public; Tientsin rapidly becoming powerful Japanese base.

TOKYO — Government announces decision to speed negotiations for north China settlement according Japan's desires; makes available funds for expedition already moving toward north China trouble zone.

NANKING — Japanese army warns Nanking government it "will not tolerate" movements of Nanking's army or airforces into Hopek province.

PEIPING — Evacuation of foreign tourists and Japanese civilians from interior of China continues.

WASHINGTON — President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull study far eastern crisis; Hull assures President developments thus far do not warrant or make necessary specific decisions on policy by the United States.

TOKYO, July 18—(Sunday)—(AP)—Japanese newspapers today demanded "immediate decisive action" for peace or war in the north China crisis.

The newspaper Nichi Nichi and other Japanese newspapers which had maintained a restrained, moderate attitude toward the trouble in China, suddenly changed their tone and asked expulsion of the Chinese 29th route army and the inauguration in north China of a regime willing and capable to bring peace.

The newspaper also demanded the overthrow of the Hoepk-Charhar governing council in the trouble zone.

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### Keally Sends His Answer to Offer

PORTLAND, July 17—(AP)—A letter from Francis Keally, New York architect, will be studied here before the interim committee of the capitol reconstruction commission will make any recommendations in drawing plans for the additional buildings in the Salem group.

Keally notified the committee by telegram today he had written in answer to the commission's offer to assist in designing plans for the new library and office buildings to be added to the capitol site.

Previously, Trowbridge and Livingston, with whom Keally was associated in drawing plans for the capitol building, had notified the committee it would be willing to design the other buildings for a six per cent fee, plus 2 1/2 per cent for outside engineering service.

The plans are to be drawn in Oregon to save time and expense, the commission stipulated in its offer to the eastern architects.

### BALLADE

of TODAY

By R. C.

The coast guard boats have ceased their quest; the Lexington has been called home; Amelia like all the rest whose luck gave out when far from home, apparently is long since lost and none knows where her grave may be; she gambled, knowing well the cost; her epitaph, just "lost at sea."

### Third Suspect, John Day Bank Robbery Held

Barkdoll of Marshfield, Former Convict Here Said to Confess

Others Claim Latest of Trio Is Ringleader; Death Story False

PORTLAND, Ore., July 17—(AP)—Federal and state officers arrested Lloyd H. Barkdoll, 35, sought as the third of the trio of gunmen who robbed the Grant county bank at John Day July 12, at the Portland stage terminal late today.

Carl C. Donough, U. S. district attorney, said Barkdoll confessed his part in the \$2,500 bank robbery, in which Oscar Hoverson, assistant cashier, was beaten and another man shot in the foot.

Barkdoll, known by Pat Bushman and Chester Crum (alias Lloyd Russell), his two companions brought here from Pendleton today where they had been held since their arrest Thursday at Bickleton, Wash., as Jack Davis, was reported to have been left dead or dying near John Day after the fugitives overturned their car.

Barkdoll said he was from Marshfield, Ore., where his wife and 4-year-old twin sons reside. Donough charged the trio with robbery of a federal office-protected bank, a federal offense. Bond was set at \$25,000 each.

Arraigned quickly before Kenneth F. Frazer, United States commissioner, Barkdoll waived hearing and joining his two companions in the Multnomah county jail.

Sullen, but obviously resentful toward Barkdoll, Bushman, Umattli Indian, and Crum, were brought to Portland by U. S. Marshal J. T. Summerville and Deputy Al Price. They told officers their story of leaving Davis (Barkdoll) for dead or dying in the sage brush area of eastern Oregon was a fabrication. They said he left them at Arlington after their clash with state police.

The two men said they were not plead guilty, and declared that Barkdoll was the ringleader in the robbery. Both men were hurt when their car overturned after leaving John Day.

Both said Barkdoll shot Ezra Black in the foot when the farmer tried to assist them after the wreck.

Barkdoll had little money on him when arrested, although his companions said he had taken "most of the currency."

Crum, who had given his name as Russell, said he lived at Newberg, having come to Oregon from Ohio. Bushman, recently released from the Oregon state penitentiary, said he met Barkdoll there. He said that Barkdoll came to Pendleton and proposed the robbery.

Barkdoll served two terms in the state penitentiary. The last time he was committed from Douglas county February 20, 1935, to serve three years for larceny in a dwelling. He was released February 18, 1936.

### New Deal Seen as Mayoralty Issue

NEW YORK, July 17—(AP)—New York City's complicated mayoral campaign took definite shape tonight. Leaders of both democratic and republican parties started aligning themselves into two camps—new deal and anti-new deal.

The new deal emerged as the major issue in the democratic primary when Tammany Tall last night named Senator Royal S. Copeland, administration critic, as its candidate while the democratic leaders of Brooklyn, Queens, Richmond, and the Bronx designated Grover Whelan, former police commissioner.

Republicans who have criticized Mayor F. H. LaGuardia for new deal leanings, will meet next week to decide what course they will take.

It is almost certain, political observers believe, that LaGuardia will not be the re-election candidate, although he has announced he will enter the primary.

There has been talk that he also would enter the democratic primary.

### Allison Gains Finals

SPRING LAKE, N. J., July 17—(AP)—William L. Allison, of Austin, Tex., former national singles champion, gained the final round of the annual bathing and tennis club invitation tourney today by defeating Robert Hartman of Berkeley, Calif., 6-2.

### Scotts Mills Robbery Solved, Five Years Says Silvertown Report

Girl's Memory for Faces Leads to Confession, Amos Reports After Visit to McMinnville Where Brothers Held for Series of Thefts

SILVERTOWN, July 17—Apparent solutions of a bank robbery at Scotts Mills five years ago and a slaughter house burglary here three weeks ago, were credited today to the ability of Janet Comstock of Silvertown to remember faces.

About five weeks ago Miss Comstock was asked by two men in an automobile to direct them to the slaughter house.

That was about two weeks before the place was broken into and some hides and tools were taken. Shortly afterward, on July 2, a similar burglary was attempted at a slaughter house at McMinnville. One of the two or three men involved, Willard Moore, 25, of Portland, was seriously wounded by a charge of buckshot from the gun of a night watchman. Later a second man, Norman Moore, a brother, was arrested, but not definitely connected with the burglary attempt.

This week two other brothers, Angus and Hector Moore, were arrested and according to Sheriff Manning of Yamhill county, confessed their part in the slaughter house robbery attempt at McMinnville. (Turn to page 2, column 3)

### Lower Insurance Basis Is Refused

Underwriters Claim Loop Main in Front Street District Needed

The Oregon Insurance Rating bureau has refused to grant a rate reduction for Salem through allowing credits for improvements already made to the water system, city officials disclosed yesterday.

Despite the fact the city has replaced a leaky 750,000 gallon reservoir with a modern storage basin holding 10,000,000 gallons, has laid a new 18-inch connecting main bringing into use an old main of similar size for the first time and has made a number of other improvements to the system, the bureau is demanding, it is understood, that a loop fire protection main be laid in the front street industrial district before any insurance credits are allowed. The bureau has also insisted that no rate change should be granted until the new gravity supply pipeline from Stayton Island is placed in use and the old pumping station abandoned.

Insurance men here, who are inclined to disagree with the bureau's latest ruling, a few weeks ago suggested to the city council that the city was now entitled to rate reductions because of the waterworks improvements. As a result City Recorder A. Warren Jones sent an inquiry to the bureau, which made an investigation and then denied the credits expected here.

### Water Bond Sale Ordinance Is Due

The city council will receive an ordinance at its regular meeting Friday night calling for sale of \$100,000 worth of water bonds as requested Friday night by the water commission, Mayor V. E. Kuhn predicted yesterday. He said he believed all members of the special water construction committee, which he heads, would favor granting the commission's petition.

The water commission announced Friday night sale of the proposed \$100,000 block of bonds probably would be the last it would be necessary to sell to finance the current construction program and future improvements could be paid for from earnings of the city. At present there are \$2,100,000 in water bonds outstanding and \$400,000 authorized but unissued.

The status of the 12th and Court street zone measure and that of the Oregon Motor Stages' proposed changes and expansions in its street bus service were uncertain yesterday. Both measures are in the hands of council committees.

### Search for Amelia Will End Today as Fuel Supply Short

HONOLULU, July 17—(AP)—The navy announced today it probably would end tomorrow night its far-flung search through the mid-Pacific for Amelia Earhart.

Officers in charge said a dwindling fuel supply would force the aircraft carrier Lexington to head directly for San Diego after two more days of searching, including today.

Forty-two of the Lexington's planes took off as usual for a morning survey but returned three hours later without a clue. They had covered an area 360 miles west of the international date line and 60 miles north of the equator. Search leaders here said the three destroyers accompanying the carriers would return to the Pacific coast by way of Pearl Harbor.

### Piccard Soars To Test Novel Strato Device

80 Balloons Taking Him far Aloft; big Crowd Witnesses Takeoff

Scientist Talks Calmly Over Radio; Reaches Two-Mile Height

ROCHESTER, Minn., July 18—(Sunday)—(AP)—The "Pleades", lifted by 80 four-foot white rubber balloons bore Dr. Jean Piccard into the air from Soldiers field on an experimental flight at 12:08 a. m. today.

Sharp detonations signaled the breaking of the ropes to released the craft. Dr. Piccard set off TNT bombs around the ropes electrically from within the open gondolas.

He hoped to rise two to three miles to learn whether a multi-balloon craft can carry him later into the stratosphere. An estimated crowd of more than 5000 persons circling the field, which until the moment of the takeoff had been brilliantly lighted, cheered as the craft rose. Lights on the field, except for three searchlights, were turned off as Dr. Piccard rose. He hoped to remain aloft about seven hours. Indications were he would drift from 100 to 200 miles or more.

At approximately 2 a. m., Dr. Piccard reported he was at the 10,300 level and that first glimmerings of daylight were visible in the east. His position at that time, as he gave it, placed him almost directly east from Soldiers field.

Mrs. Piccard and her son, John, in conversation with the balloonist, urged him to maintain efforts to maintain his equilibrium, rather than to rise or fall before daylight. He said several times that he was "cold" but added always "I'm all right."

"Hello, hello, can you hear me?" were the first words heard over the short wave radio from Dr. Piccard.

Dr. Piccard, as his balloon disappeared to the east, spoke (Turn to page 2, column 4)

### Electrical Storm Damage Reported

Lights Flicker Here When Trouble Occurs North; Some Fires Occur

Salem street lights, electric signs and in fact everything electrical connected to the main power line from Portland flickered at 7:40 and 7:50 p. m. last night as lightning struck far away power lines at Beaver Creek, in Clackamas county, the trouble department of the Portland General Electric company reported.

This city's light system was reported to be affected by the electrical storm which passed east of here, but transformer fuses blew at various points in the valley, to put Woodburn and Mt. Angel in darkness for a short time.

Salem's flickers were the result of electric surges in the power line. Radio reception was poor last night as the air popped and crackled with its heavy charge of static electricity.

PORTLAND, July 17—(AP)—The electric storm which struck this city tonight destroyed one home and portion of another near (Turn to page 2, column 2)

### Awards Revealed At Santiam Spree

STAYTON, July 17—(AP)—As the Santiam Spree moved toward its conclusion with continued excellent attendance and interest, awards were announced today for the parade entries.

Among the floats in the industrial division, the Howell Bee club won first place, Crabtree's dairy second the Rebeah and I. O. O. F. entry third.

In the pet parade, the award for the best trained animal was won by Hal Cuffel, jr.; Merrill and Claire Limbeck took second award and Gilbert Linderman third. For the most unique pet, Blynn Humphreys won first prize, Shelton Tins second and Darleen Dozier third.

For the best float in the children's parade, the children of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Scranton took first prize, the "Miss Stayton" float second and the five puppets representing the Dionne quintuplets, entered by the two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Weeks, third.

### At Least 95 Dead In Express Wreck

Worst Railroad Disaster in History of India on Calcutta Line

PATNA, India, July 17—(AP)—The engine and seven coaches of the Calcutta express shot from the rails today and plunged over an embankment, killing at least 95 persons in India's worst train wreck.

Relief workers recovered the bodies and pushed ahead with a search of the first two coaches where it was feared more bodies may be found.

First unofficial estimates said the number of deaths might reach 300. A railroad official described the scene as "like any battlefield."

The first two coaches were completely telescoped and buried beneath the wreckage of the two behind them, which landed on top of the first two as the cars crashed over the slope some 15 miles from Patna.

Local Hindu and Moslem organizations arranged to hold funeral rites for victims tomorrow.

The government railway official (Turn to page 2, column 1)

### Parleys Are Held On Funeral Train

ABOARD ROBINSON FUNERAL TRAIN, July 17—(AP)—Three unofficial emissaries of the White House worked today to reunite their party ranks, left leaderless and confused by the unexpected death of Senator Robinson (D-Ark.), democratic chief in the senate.

James A. Farley, postmaster general and democratic national chairman, held a score of quiet conferences with senators and representatives aboard the special train carrying Robinson's body to his Little Rock, Ark., home for burial Sunday.

He was aided by two trusted new deal officials, Charles West, undersecretary of the interior department, and Asst. Atty. Gen. Joseph B. Keenan.

Several senators said Keenan had discussed a new compromise on the court issue, under which present members of the court would be exempted from provisions of the judiciary reorganization bill.

Liquor Permit Is Sent With Report Of Auto Accident

### Gill Cites Three Reasons to Avoid Martin Argument

GRESHAM, July 17—(AP)—Ray W. Gill, master of the state group in speaking before a group of Multnomah grangers today about disagreements between himself and Governor Martin on farm issues said:

"I believe Governor Martin wants to draw me into a name-calling contest, but I intend to stay out of it for three reasons: "1. I have too much respect for the office I hold. "2. I have too much respect for the office of governor. "3. I am not proficient enough in the use of profanity."

### Federation Group Loses First Test

Motion to Refer Issue to Committee Beaten by CIO Woodworkers

TACOMA, Wash., July 17—(AP)—A. F. of L.-favoring delegates lost the first open voting engagement with CIO advocates today at the special convention of the federation of woodworkers here; while rumors increased that they may quit the convention in a body if a proposal to switch allegiance of the west's 100,000 workers from William Green to John L. Lewis is put to a vote.

The test came on a motion to refer a proposal for CIO affiliation back to the resolutions committee. CIO delegates defeated the motion overwhelmingly in a standing vote.

The proposal had been broached by the executive committee (Turn to page 2, column 5)

### Labor Parade Is Ten Blocks Long; Picnic Follows Today

Marching men and women of organized labor, threaded downtown Salem streets last night in a colorful parade 10 blocks long which leaders said was intended as a peaceful demonstration of unionism. Throng of late shoppers, amusement-bound people and members of the court would be exempted from provisions of the judiciary reorganization bill.

H. W. Barker, president of the Salem Trades and Labor council, and W. A. Chambers, general chairman for today's union picnic at Hazel Green, headed the parade and immediately behind them rolled a flag-decked truck entered by the council and the Union Label League. Two men, representing employer and employee, sat at a table mounted on the truck. Above them was a placard reading, "peaceful arbitration."

On foot and in automobiles hundreds of men and women representing 20 union locals followed. Music was provided by a musicians' union band, an old-time orchestra riding on the float entered by the automobile mechanics' local, and a sound car.

Elaborate floats were entered in the parade by the electrical

### Pioneer of 1864 Called by Death

Laura Jane Johnson, Aged 86, Dies at Mehana; 125 Descendants

MHAMA, July 17—(AP)—Laura Jane Johnson passed away Friday night at the home of her son, Harley Johnson, at the age of 86 years, eight months and three days. She had made her home in Mehana and vicinity for the past 7 years.

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workers, the paper makers and the sulphite workers. The two paper mill union floats were decorated exclusively with most of the varieties of paper produced at the local plant. One float carried a Dutch mill made of garlands of many-colored paper, the other a mound of white paper pulp along with samples of pulpwad and pulp chips.

The electrical workers boasted a glittering float with a dragon spitting red neon tube fire and behind the insignia a revolving drum on which lights in various colors played. The other electrical workers' float carried a power line and exhibits of home electrical appliances.

Other cars representing individual unions were entered by the firemen's local—the first aid car; the butcher workers, the Culinary alliance, carpenters, the building laborers, the meat cutters, the brick and clay workers, the chauffeurs and the teamsters. An old-time horse-drawn brewery wagon and a modern refrigerated truck and semi-trailer depicted the teamsters of 1907 and of 1937. Additional locals in the march were a

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