

Weather
Partly cloudy today and Saturday, continued mild; Max. Temp. Thursday 66, Min. 38, river 8.3 feet, southwest wind.

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The Statesman will close its sale of the 48 famous paintings on May 1. Late purchasers are coming in rapidly. Get yours now.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH YEAR

Railroad Relief at This Session Forecast

Five Points in Prison, Parole System Listed

Adequate Staff, Policy of Individual Cases' Treatment Urged

Receiving Quarters and Work Camp Proposed By Commission

Five recommendations aimed at improving Oregon's penal and parole system were announced by Governor Charles H. Martin's commission appointed to study this subject, at a conference in Salem Thursday afternoon. They included:

Adopt the principle of individual treatment of convicted persons.

Give the parole power to an independent board consisting of three members appointed by the governor for staggered terms and compensated on a per diem basis.

Provide for a combined state adult probation and parole service with staff appointed by the board on the basis of personal and professional qualifications determined after competitive examination.

Provide ground work for a classification system including receiving quarters and necessary professional staff.

Provide for properly selected prisoners and for parolees, work camps where such men will be engaged in forestry, conservation or other public works projects, for which work a small compensation should be paid to enable them to make a start when released into society.

Parole staff now held inadequate.

Thursday's conference grew out of the commission's conference at the University of Oregon April 18 to 20, inclusive, and is another step to improve Oregon's parole, probation and penal system, members of the governor's commission said.

The present parole system which provides only two officers to supervise 775 parolees was declared inadequate.

Attending the conference from outside of Oregon were Richard E. Elwell, James P. Davis and Francis H. Hiller, all connected with the prison industries reorganization administration with headquarters in Washington.

W. L. Goslin, members of the Oregon state parole board, represented Governor Martin.

Members of the governor's commission at the meeting were J. O. Bailey, Hall S. Lusk and George Rossman, justices of the state supreme court; Circuit Judge Arthur D. Hay, Lake county; N. Ray Alber, chairman of the house judiciary committee of the 1937 legislature; Lotus Langley, Portland, chairman of the state probation commission; and Earl A. Nott, McMinnville, district attorney of Yamhill county.

All recommendations by the commission will be presented to the 1939 legislature.

Threat to Commit Felony Is Charge

Sheriff's deputies early last night arrested Harold Van Wagoner at his home near Chemawa on a warrant charging him with threatening to commit a felony. He was brought to the county jail to await justice court arraignment.

Deputy Sheriff B. G. Honeycutt said Van Wagoner was alleged to have chased neighbors and members of his family with a knife.

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Aim at Better Parole System



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Pomona Grangers To Aid Initiative

Marion Unit Will Support Limiting of Picketing, Ballot Withholding

Marion county Pomona grange, meeting Wednesday at Union Hill, endorsed the initiative measure seeking to define labor disputes and opposing picketing where no labor disputes exist.

Pomona also endorsed, with amendment, the resolution offered by Silverton Hills grange opposing publicity to subordinate grange results of voting for state

Insurgent Planes Raid Cities Again

HENDAYE, France (At the Spanish Frontier), April 21—(AP)—Insurgent warplanes raided important government centers in northern Catalonia today while ground troops consolidated newly won positions on the southern part of Spain's eastern front.

Heaviest hit by the bombers was Puigcerda, railroad point and Pyrenees gateway leading to the French border, where 22 civilians were known dead and 30 were injured.

Another aerial attack was directed at a 40-mile branch railroad between Puigcerda and Ripoll, in upper Gerona province. Puigcerda is on a rail line running to the French border at one of the three frontier passes still under government control.

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Japan Pouring In new Troops Against China

Conference of Ministers With Konoye Believed To Be Significant

Fresh Force is Being Sent To Avenge Yihhsien

TOKYO, April 21—(AP)—Japan was reported today to have moved regular army units into China from Manchoukou and to be sending others from the homeland to avenge reverses in the nine-month undeclared war.

The pulse of the capital quickened with the movement of men and munitions, the return of Premier Prince Fumimari Konoye to his official residence and the arrival of War Minister General Gen Sugiyama from an extensive tour of the war fronts.

Domel (Japanese news agency) said it was believed the premier and the war minister would confer on "internal policies to strengthen national unity."

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SHANGHAI, April 22—(Friday)—Reinvigorated Japanese troops pushed south from captured Lini today for a sweeping flank attack on the Taiherwang, Yihhsien sector of the central China front, seeking to wipe out a major defeat at Taiherwang early this month.

With the Japanese in full possession of Lini after five days of heavy bombardment which culminated in intense street fighting, the Chinese sought new defensive positions in the ill country south and southwest of the ancient walled city.

Unable to endure continuous artillery and aerial attacks on open positions, the Chinese were reported forming small mobile columns in order to take full advantage of natural protection afforded by the rough terrain.

Japanese were reported to break through the Chinese line—not only to "redeem Taiherwang," some 40 miles away but also to relieve 5,000 Japanese beleaguered nearly two weeks in the walled town of Yihhsien, 24 miles northwest of Taiherwang.

Annapolis Woman Named New National DAR Head

WASHINGTON, April 21—(AP)—Mrs. Henry M. Robert, Jr., of Annapolis, Md., a blue-eyed, gray-haired expert in parliamentary law, won the leadership of the daughters of the American Revolution for the next three years in a routine election tonight.

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Oddities in the News

PHILADELPHIA, April 21—(AP)—Anthony Frio, 19, who fired a shot which wounded his girl friend, Jennie Casale, 18, in the leg, ran home so hard he ruptured an appendicitis infection. Taken to the same hospital, they talked over their quarrel. Today they decided to be married.

LOS ANGELES, April 21—(AP)—"Give me two gallons of gas," said Mrs. Frances Evelyn Fikal, as she stopped during the early morning hours in front of a brightly lighted sheriff's substation.

But Sheriff's Deputy W. A. Parron said he thought she already was "tanked up" and booked her on suspicion of drunk-on-driving.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., April 21—(AP)—The Rev. Joseph Abraham, pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Slavonian church, Freeland, has sued the parish for \$4,916.72 in back wages. He claimed he signed a contract as pastor of the church in September, 1927, for \$125 a month and the church has not paid him in full.

WASHINGTON, April 22—(AP)—Representative Smith (D-Okla.) proposed a constitutional amendment today to prohibit drunkenness.

He said he acted at the request of a group of Baptist ministers. Prohibition of sale of liquor had failed, he said, and would fail again if tried.

Courthouse Project Eligible For Federal Aid, Announced

Realty Board Takes Lead in Making Plans

\$266,404 Grant Will be Available, Indicated By Chief of PWA

Numerous Projects Upon Preferred List Since Previously Viewed

Announcement yesterday that Washington, D. C., officials stood ready to approve Marion county's 1937 application for a \$266,404 PWA grant if the pump priming program were adopted by congress attracted the Salem Realty board to new action toward promoting construction of a city-county building here.

The sum mentioned in the Washington dispatch represented the government's share of the county courthouse citizens' committee building program drafted before the special election at which it was voted down last fall. The program called for a county expenditure of \$325,696.

"We will take this project up again at our meeting tomorrow," C. V. Johnson, Realty board president, said last night. "I was very much interested in this news."

Chairman Gene Grabenhorst of a committee appointed by the (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

Governor Mislays Prepared Address

And Gets Double Parking Ticket; Declares He's all for New Deal

PORTLAND, April 21—(AP)—Governor Charles Martin voiced vehement support of President Roosevelt and pledged himself to purge labor union ranks of the "extremists" today in an address before the Willamette democratic society.

The governor's speech was largely extemporaneous, delivered from notes made hastily while efforts were made to locate his automobile in which he had left his prepared address.

"I voted for all 12 of the president's bills when I was in congress," Martin asserted. "Any one who said I criticized the president lied. I am a retired army officer. I could not criticize my chief. I have criticized those who misinterpreted his intentions."

Discussing labor, the governor declared: "I am a strong union man. If you don't think so look at my voting record in congress. 'I believe labor has the right to strike, to picket, that the worker must have collective bargaining, I am for the best working conditions, for short hours, for

PLAY BALL! PRESIDENT OPENS SEASON



Throwing the first ball of the 1938 baseball season to open the game between the Philadelphia Athletics and the Washington Senators, President Franklin D. Roosevelt is pictured at Griffith Stadium, in Washington, D. C. Approximately 32,000 fans witnessed the opener, in which the Senators won, 12 to 8. Photo shows (left to right): Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt, Connie Mack, owner-manager of the Athletics; Clark Griffith, owner of the Senators; and Bucky Harris, Senators' manager.—LIN photo.

Roosevelt's Impending Talk With Henry Ford Conciliatory Gesture

Capital's Impression is That Effort to Dissolve Animosity of Business Lies Ahead Although No Retreat Seen on Profits Tax Issue

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—A forthcoming tete-a-tete between President Roosevelt and the confirmed unbeliever in new deal doctrine, Henry Ford, strengthened the impression here tonight that the administration was trying to get on better terms with business before starting its new spend-and-lead spurt.

There was no official explanation of the fundamental purpose of this and other conciliatory gestures of recent days, though some observers guessed the administration had decided its attack on better chances of success if some of the animosity between administration men and segments of business were allayed.

However, it was noted that the White House was placing strict limits on its conciliation campaign. It was not, for example, giving in on the undistributed profits tax, repeal of which has been demanded by innumerable business men.

Formal arrangements for the Ford-Roosevelt meeting were completed today. The White House announced and Ford, at Sudbury, Mass., confirmed that the motor maker would lunch informally with the chief executive next Wednesday. Depression problems undoubtedly would be discussed, it was said, but Ford himself added that he had no advice to offer. He had "no axe to grind" either, he emphasized.

"I want to give the president a chance to look at somebody who doesn't want anything," he told reporters with a grin.

MacDowell Club Concert Success

Three Soloists and Guest Trio Add to Pleasure of Audience Here

By MAXINE BUREN
The Salem MacDowell club, directed by Mrs. Laura Hand Terrell, last night presented the final concert of its winter season and again proved what good training, good voices and a bit of the dramatic can do in a musical way.

Women's choruses are known to lack the appeal enjoyed by men singing groups, but Mrs. Terrell has trained a chorus that claims the admiring attention of the audience every time it appears, and this concert surpassed the fall program in this quality.

Several things have been accomplished to contribute to the success of this singing group: The increase in the number of solo singers has given depth and strength to the chorus, a quality that many women's groups lack; the singers are a unit, not individual soloists, they watch the director show no mannerisms, sing from memory; identical dresses take away any "style show" effect; the chorus is in place when the curtains part which eliminates the necessity (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

Funds for Flood Control Approved

WASHINGTON, April 21—(AP)—Legislation providing funds for flood control and rivers and harbors projects, including \$37,000,000 recommended by President Roosevelt as part of his new spending program, received house approval today.

The chamber passed and sent to the senate the \$220,634,726 appropriation bill for non-military activities of the war department in the fiscal year beginning July 1.

The bill lists projects which may be undertaken with the funds it carries, but gives army engineers authority to decide which of those listed actually shall be started.

Early Decision Forecast Upon Extra Session

Vic Meyers Would Argue His Own Case Before High State Court

Ruling by Saturday Now Probable; Barring of Members, Threat

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 21—(AP)—Lieutenant Governor Victor A. Meyers, declaring himself "broke," said he probably would have to present his own case tomorrow before the supreme court in arguing legality of his proclamation for a special session of the legislature.

"The attorney general refuses to offer his services to me as state official, Vic said, pacing his downtown hotel room.

"I have no money with which to hire counsel and I would expect no attorney to devote his services without fees. So I'll probably have to argue myself.

Meyers took an extension course in law at the University of Washington a few years ago, when he gave up leading a jazz band in favor of his lieutenant governorship.

Meyers' decision to apply directly to the state supreme court for a writ to compel Secretary of State Belle Reeves to accept his proclamation for attesting Clarence D. Martin issued a proclamation of his own stating there would be no special session and revoking Meyers' proclamation "if the same be of any effect whatsoever."

Justice William Steinert said he believed the high court could reach its decision Saturday provided the case was argued tomorrow.

Meyers conferred this afternoon with Steinert and several members of the attorney general's office. The attorney general, G. W. Hamilton, had said in an opinion yesterday the lieutenant governor's call was invalid. (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

Ultimatum From CIO Is Protested

"Sign Up or Else" Quoted by Mayor Carson; new Hearing Is Asked

PORTLAND, April 21—(AP)—Mayor Joseph K. Carson protested to the National Labor Relations board today a mysterious "ultimatum" to Portland sawmill owners. The action followed an eight-month AFL-CIO struggle for control of sawmill workers.

Mill owners refused to comment. Carson's telegram said: "Report has come to this office that Harry Bridges (west coast CIO director and labor leader) has been alleged to have served an ultimatum on lumber operators that they sign agreements at once or be subjected to reprisals.

"In view of petitions submitted to you from a reputable manufacturer (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

Loans, Change In Rate Rules Gain Approval

Eliminating Government Land Grant Concession Favored by Wheeler

Direct Subsidy or Long And Short Haul Rule Repeal is Opposed

WASHINGTON, April 21—(AP)—The railroads won today the backing of Senator Wheeler (D-Mont) for a limited program of emergency legislation at this session of congress, but received a rebuff on several major proposals.

The Montana, who as chairman of the interstate commerce committee, holds the key to railroad legislation in the senate, conferred with representatives of labor and management throughout the day.

When he had finished, he said he was hopeful that an "emergency" program could be put through before congress quits for the year, but asserted that long-range proposals for helping the ailing industry would have to be deferred.

Wheeler called "constructive" a proposal by ICC members to make \$300,000,000 available for equipment loans to carriers, with the equipment as security. "I don't see why it shouldn't be done, he said.

He also expressed approval of legislation to repeal the rate reduction which land-grant carriers are requested to make to the government. He added, however, that he would insist on a proviso that the repeal not apply to transportation of troops and supplies in time of war.

Time to Borderline System Approved
Although reiterating his belief some railroads should be reorganized instead of being extended further government credit, he said it was the feeling of everyone at the conference that the aid should be given to "borderline" roads to "hide them over."

Wheeler said the conferees discussed a proposal to set up a railroad public works system, under which carriers would supply material for maintenance projects and the government would pay wages of men to work on them. The men would be drawn from among the rail workers "furloughed" in recent months.

"Any form of direct subsidy to the roads, the senator said, was repugnant to the public because it was "wrong in principle."

Wheeler reported labor and management were in agreement on these proposals:

Government loans to carriers. Revision of interstate commerce commission rate-making rules. A 12-month suspension of the rule that the carriers obtain ICC approval before borrowing federal funds.

Repeal of the long- and short-haul railroad rate clause. Regulation of water transportation under the ICC and elimination of government-owned barge lines.

Elimination of the government land-grant rate. Wheeler said he turned thumbs down on the long-and-short haul repeal and the government barge line elimination.

John Wesco, Inventor of Penmanship System, Dies

PORTLAND, April 21—(AP)—John Austin Wesco, 82, founder of the Wesco penmanship system used extensively in northwest and Pacific coast schools, died here yesterday. The system was adopted by the Portland public schools in 1913.

Entries in 4-H Show Record; To Be Open to Public Today

Doors to Marion county's largest 4-H club spring show in history will be thrown open to the public at the boys and girls exhibit building at the state fairgrounds this morning. Judging of all divisions except art was completed last night.

This year's show attracted 1079 exhibitors, or 359 more than last year's. County Club Agent Wayne D. Harding announced, Highlights of the show will be the home economics judging contest and style revue Saturday afternoon.

Because so many boys and girls, 47 in all, entered the health competition, announcement of the county's healthiest boy and girl selections can not be made until next week.

Today's program calls for demonstrations in health, room improvement, clothing, cooking, wood working and camp cooking, by teams representing Bethel, Kelsey, Hayesville and Turner. The doors will open at 8:30 a. m. and close at 9 p. m.

Blue ribbon exhibit winners picked by the judges yesterday included: Cookery 1A, Verlie Duke, Salem Heights; cookery 1B, Bette Lou Kehoe, Mt. Angel; cookery 2A, Cecilia Kasper, Hazel Green; cookery 2B, Elsie Taylor; Mill City; cookery 3, Coralee Nichols, Bethel; camp cooking A, Leland Jensen, Lewisburg; high school; camp cooking B, Glen Brown, Salem. Bachelor sewing, Wilmer Lesard, Woodburn. Room improvement—Dressing, Joan Frigand, Kelsey; study, Coralee Nichols, Bethel; rest, Margaret McClain, Jefferson; bed, Gene Mary Redmond, Jefferson. Home making—Linen, Lorraine Kincher, Bethel; cotton, Ada Marie Bowley, Leslie Junior high. Clothing 1A, Doris Schmidt, Highland; clothing 1B, Betty Lou Calvin, Aurora; clothing 1C, Luella Nichols, Bethel; clothing 2A, Betty Terhune, Jefferson; clothing (Turn to page 3, col. 4)