

Football!
Football squads up and down the coast began drills yesterday. Read the latest football news in The Statesman sport pages.

The Weather
Clear today and Sunday. Cloudy on coast. Slightly warmer, Max. Temp. Friday 78. Min. 50. River -3.3 feet. North winds.

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Great Britain to Tell Germany She'll Fight

Helen Michael Of Eugene Top In 4H Styles

Eugene Girl Is Presented I. L. Patterson Cup at State Show

Erna Rencken Is Given Champion Revue Girl Award Honor

SATURDAY'S EVENTS AT THE FAIRGROUNDS
6:00—Gates open.
10:00—Band concert.
11:00—Journal Juniors arrive.
11:30—Organ concert, textile department.
1:30—Final races of fair start.
2:00—Instrumental music by artists from Gervais and Salem, textile department.
4:00—Concert by Albany musicians.
5:00—Organ concert.
6:45—Free grandstand entertainment.
8:00—Horse show.

Highest awards in the 4H style show at the state fair last night went to Helen Michael of Eugene, who was presented the I. L. Patterson cup which is given in memory of the late Governor and Mrs. I. L. Patterson, and to Erna Rencken of Freewater, who received the award as champion style revue girl by virtue of which she will represent Oregon in the national style revue in Chicago in late November.

Miss Rencken's award came on her winter school dress. Other awards in the style revue were: Cotton school dress, Nettle Law, Toledo; best dress, Mary Louise Armstrong, Portland; party dress, Shirley Pearce, Park Rose, Multnomah county. Miss Rencken took the championship over a field of 72 girls, representing 26 Oregon counties.

Michael Girl National Winner
Miss Michael, winner of the Patterson trophy, last year won the Moses cup, the national award for leadership. She has a record of 10 years in club work and five years in club leadership. The Patterson cup this year is presented by Lee Patterson of Portland in honor of his father and mother.

Youth in large numbers will descend upon the fairgrounds today, when about 16 coaches of Journal Juniors arrive this morning in a special train from Portland.

Today's fair program will see the final program in the six-day racing meet and the last night of the horse show. Both these events have attracted capacity or near-capacity crowds every day.

Final Day
Final day of the fair comes Sunday, when the big feature will be the free grandstand program at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The last free evening grandstand program is slated for 6:45 o'clock tonight, and also the last free dancing to Les Hite's orchestra is on the bill tonight. Freewater has a record of late night attendance than in any recent year of the fair.

Friday's fair attendance was slightly larger than that of the corresponding day last year, and attendance for the first five days of the week is running ahead of last year.

Livestock Parades Before Stands
Aristocracy of the state fair livestock realm paraded before the grandstand yesterday in the feature event of the morning at the fair, when a long string of blue and purple ribbon holders held the attention of a sizable audience.

Climax to the parade came when J. D. Mickle, director of the state department of agriculture, crowned Sybil Tessie Lorna, only Jersey cow in the world to hold three international production records. The honored cow is from the L. A. Hulbert pure-blood Jersey herd at Independence.

In 4H demonstration contests yesterday, the Marion county team, Phyllis Graham and Walter Bowman, Salem, took first place in the miscellaneous class and on homemaking, Wanda Froehlich and Freda Bucnerich, Bethel, placed fifth.

Eleanor R. Given Presidency Plug

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Sept. 9.—(AP)—The newspaper La Correspondencia today editorially urged the nomination of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt for president of the United States saying such a step would avoid any conflict over a third term for her husband. The nomination should be given Mrs. Roosevelt, the newspaper declared, for her own qualifications rather than for any glory reflected by her position as the president's wife.

MARION COUNTY GIRLS GET FAIR AWARDS



Marlene Reiley, 11 year old Scio girl (top, left), was declared healthiest among 4H club girls at the state fair here. David Melson (top right), son of Roy Melson, Marion county commissioner, is shown after he received the similar award for boys. Top center, Junior Miller, Gervais 4H clubber, is shown with his pen of grand champion Berkshire and Hampshire hogs. He won the Valley Packing company feeding contest and his swine won the grand championship over all other breeds. Below, Elliott Flagel of Klamath Falls rides "Sky High," one of the broncs showing in the bucking contest at the night horse show, which comes to an end with the program tonight.

Court Overrules McMahan's Demur

Given 5 Days to Answer Motion of Prejudice in Site Action
The state supreme court yesterday overruled a demurrer by Circuit Judge L. H. McMahan and gave him five days in which to answer the capitol reconstruction commission's action to disqualify him from presiding over the commission's suit to condemn the Mary Boesch property here. The court announced its decision orally after listening to nearly two hours of arguments. The commission filed an original mandamus action with the high court alleging Judge McMahan was prejudiced against the commission attorneys. The judge in July refused to recognize the commission's affidavit of prejudice. The Boesch suit is one of four brought by the commission to condemn property needed for the Summer street addition to the capitol grounds.

Abductor of Girl Sentenced to 20

BURNS, Ore., Sept. 9.—(AP)—Orville L. Smith, 54-year-old farm hand, was sentenced today by Circuit Judge C. W. Ellis to 20 years in state prison. Smith pleaded guilty to a charge of abducting and criminally attacking a seven-year-old girl. Smith, hidden out from lynch-minded residents by Sheriff C. W. Frazier for several days, told the sheriff he was intoxicated at the time he took the child for a horseback ride from her ranch home at Narrows, south of here. She was found in a dazed condition on the following day.

Capitol's Statue Due Here Monday

The "pioneer statue" to be placed on top of the new \$2,500,000 state capitol building, will be hoisted to the roof of the structure next Wednesday, contractors announced here Friday. The statue was manufactured at Philadelphia and was scheduled to arrive in Salem Monday.

Lebanon Man Disappears Leaving Suicide Letter

ALBANY, Sept. 9.—(AP)—W. A. Breshears, 61, Lebanon, who disappeared late Sunday leaving a suicide note, was still missing today, Sheriff Herbert Shelton said. He had been despondent over prolonged illness, Shelton said.

Mastersons Take top Place For 3-Gaited Pairs Event

By JEROME UPSTON
Enthusiastic crowds had greeted the horse show at the stadium each night this week of the state fair with a large audience again tonight. The first main event of the show on the program was the three-gaited pairs for horses owned or boarded in a riding academy. They were shown as a pair at walk, trot and canter. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Masterson on King and Lark took first place honors. Their horses were from the Oregon Saddle club. Second place went to Ray O'Sunshine and Prince Charm owned by Mrs. J. H. Beck and Mrs. S. H. Seashore respectively.

The jumping event of handy hunters was divided into two divisions. The jumpers went over a selected course decided at the time of the show. In the first division Myrnelia Hauser up on Kitty Higgins won first and second went to Semper Fidelis with Arnold Smith up. Chet Edwards

Thief Apologizes For Sacking Home

ROSEBURG, Ore., Sept. 9.—(AP)—A thief last night ransacked the parsonage occupied by the Rev. and Mrs. S. Raynor Smith of the Methodist Episcopal church, took clothing and a few other items and left an apologetic note. In the note he branded himself an "ungrateful cad," and asked the minister to "please pray for me." The pilferer also promised "if circumstances permit, some day I shall reimburse you for the articles I have borrowed."

War Department Scatters Orders Lessened Vulnerability in Event of War Object of Plan

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—(AP)—The war department, in letting contracts today for the greatest anti-aircraft defense in United States history, put into effect a system of scattering orders so as to lessen vulnerability in case of war. Louis Johnson, acting secretary of war, announced contracts totaling \$7,281,455 for parts which will assemble into 338 anti-aircraft guns. The guns will be in the care, scattered from New York to Ohio, received the orders. Additional orders are being placed with government arsenals, bringing the initial expenditure up to \$10,000,000. Congress has appropriated \$13,000,000 with a right to draw an additional \$10,000,000, for building up anti-aircraft defenses.

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Oregon Socialists Quit OCF, Report

PORTLAND, Sept. 9.—(AP)—"The socialist party of Oregon" has withdrawn from the Oregon Commonwealth federation, the Socialist Call, a Chicago publication, announced in an edition circulated here today. The paper continued, saying the Commonwealth had "recently modified its original progressive program and consummated an unprincipled deal with capitalistic politicians."

Transient Loses Foot

EUGENE, Sept. 9.—(AP)—Tumbling beneath a moving freight when he attempted to board it early today, Bert Christian, about 30, Mart, Texas, lost his left foot.

Japanese Column Reported Routed

HANKOW, Sept. 9.—(AP)—Chinese army headquarters said tonight that the Japanese column which had been moving toward Hankow along the north bank of the Yangtze river was trapped and defeated yesterday at Kwangsi.

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Military authorities said several thousand Japanese were cut off and remnants of the column forced into precipitous flight when Chinese forces, which had been falling back slowly, closed in from three directions. Following up today, it was said, the Chinese occupied Kwangsi, about 80 miles southeast of Hankow, and pushed nearly 20 miles eastward to the environs of Hwangmei. At Hwangmei the Japanese were said to have rallied, attempting a new drive west. Japanese press dispatches from Nanking quoted Japanese military authorities as saying 15,000 Chinese were slain and 1,200 captured in fighting around Kwangsi.

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Softballer No. 1—In view of all the softball honors that have come Salem's way this year, including both men's and women's state championships, there is no excuse, other than modesty, for anybody's being left out. But, a contributor to this column reminds, there is one modest fellow who has received little mention but should be rated Salem's "Softballer No. 1." The contributor writes:

"The honor undoubtedly goes to Bob Keuscher, young coach of the Pade-Barrick girls' team. Beginning in April, Bob coached the city champion field grade school team which won 7 games and lost 2. Then, while working on the city playground, Bob coached the Olinger Yankees boys' team to the Salem title, while his Parrish Market team finished second in the junior loop.

"The Pade-Barrick girls' team, which has won 34 of 38 games under Keuscher's coaching in two years, won the Valley League title, the state and northwest titles.

"Bob's coaching record for the season shows 81 wins against 16 losses. In addition Bob played for the Willamette university and state intercollegiate champion softball team, Alpha Psi Delta, also played for the Salem Eagles and the Industrial league champion (he just seems to attract championships) Building Supply team. These teams won 27 and lost 14.

"It all adds up to 108 victories against 30 losses. Bob had an active part in 133 softball games from April 13 to September 2—138 days. That makes an average of one game per day and six championships for the 1938 season!

"Can anyone in Salem be that?"

3 Driers Burn In 2-Day Time On Hop Farms

Ten-Kiln Livesley Drier Burned Early Friday in big Blaze

Patton Drier Destroyed Near Independence; OSC Has Fire

Three costly hop drier fires have occurred within the space of two days in the Willamette valley while a fourth fire starting in an experimental hop drier destroyed the interior of the farm mechanics building at Oregon State college, Corvallis.

Most extensive of the three fires in Marion and Polk counties was that which early Friday morning destroyed the ten-kiln drier at T. A. Livesley's Lakebrook ranch. Other buildings in the yard were saved after employees put up a hard battle against the flames, risking their lives at times.

The first fire was that which destroyed ten driers at the A. M. Jerman ranch, also in the Lakebrook district, Thursday morning.

Three Kilns Burn On Patton Ranch
Last to be reported here although it occurred a few hours before the Livesley fire, was the one which destroyed a three-kiln, 30-foot hop house at the Billy Patton ranch south of Independence Thursday night. The Livesley family also was a loser in this fire, for part of the hop being dried were the property of Charles Livesley. Dell Patton has been operating the ranch. The fire broke out about 9 o'clock. The cause was not known.

There were reports of a fire at another large hop ranch in the Independence vicinity but these reports proved false.

At Livesley's Lakebrook yard, in addition to the driers which were valued at \$10,000, five fans, heating equipment and 2044 pounds of hops were lost. The fire was discovered licking at the woodwork in the upper part of the drier where the stack emerges, but the flames had gained too much headway to be stopped. Storage rooms nearby containing over 7000 lbs of hops were saved by pulling down a tramway which connected them with the driers. A bucket brigade stopped fires which broke out in other nearby buildings.

Remaining Crop To Be Picked
As it is probable that the remainder of the crop will be picked instead of left because of the quota limitations of the hop control program. Both the Jerman and Livesley ranches now face the problem of drying facilities, since Jerman had planned to dry his remaining crop at the Livesley drier.

The coincidence of three hop drier fires within two days caused some speculation as to possible incendiarism, but there has been no labor trouble in the hop harvest this year and proprietors of the yards said no one was under suspicion.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Sept. 9.—(AP)—Fire originating in an experimental hop drier early today gutted the farm mechanics building at Oregon State college at an estimated damage of \$25,000.

Harry Cochrum, senior student, was hurt on an arm when he tried to control the blaze with a hand extinguisher.

Downstairs offices of the two-story building were undamaged.

Injured Seaman Removed by Air

ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 9.—(AP)—Joe Burdett, seaman aboard the disabled purse seiner Ketchikan, was removed by a coast guard amphibian plane tonight after Burdett's skull was crushed.

His injury was suffered in attempting to remove a disabling fish net from the vessel's propeller. The purse seiner Ketchikan, started toward Astoria with Burdett but was met by the plane several miles north of Tillamook.

The coast guard boat Triumph was sent to the rescue of the Ketchikan while Burdett was taken to a hospital in an attempt to save his life. His head was caught between the stern of the seiner and a skiff from which he was working.

Girl not Blamed In Count's Death

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 9.—(AP)—The dying wish of the count of Covadonga was heeded today by a coroner's jury which absolved Miss Mildred Gaydon, night club cigarette girl, of any blame in connection with an automobile accident in which the former heir to the Spanish throne was fatally injured.

Motion to Drop Charge Against Hines Refused As Dewey Case Upheld

Defense Counsel Apparently Unperturbed by Rule From Court and Begins Presentation of Witnesses for Accused

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—(AP)—The defense of James J. Hines lost its motion today for dismissal of charges linking the Tammany leader to the Dutch Schultz mob as political protector, and instantly launched an attack on the state's only documentary evidence in the case—a \$500 check.

Apparently unperturbed that Supreme Court Justice Ferdinand Pecora had refused to dismiss a conspiracy count and 12 felony counts against the defendant, Chief Defense Counsel Lloyd Paul Stryker called J. Howard Haring, handwriting expert, who said he believed a "J. Hines" endorsement on the check had been written between the endorsements of "R. Davis" and "Eddie Holly."

The state contends the check was given Hines by the mob as part payment for helping obtain releases of arrested racket workers and for influence in cutting the number of raids on policy banks.

Haring also testified he believed a memorandum of a tapped telephone conversation, introduced by the state, could not have been written as the person's talked.

Detective Julius Salke, testifying for the state, had sworn he made a verbatim copy of a conversation he recorded when someone identified as "the boss" talked with J. Richard "Dixie" Davis—the mob's lawyer—in 1933, asking for \$500.

Haring said, however, on cross-examination by Dist. Atty. Thomas E. Dewey, that "in many cases it is impossible to tell" which name might be written first on the back of a check and that his testimony was merely a matter of opinion.

The "earliest date" in this case is one minute after midnight on Oct. 1 since the railway labor act stipulates no change in pay rates can be made for 30 days after the termination of mediation hearings. The national mediation board's attempt to settle the dispute ended in failure on Aug. 31.

CHICAGO, Sept. 9.—(AP)—The nation's major railroads served notice tonight that a 15 per cent cut for their 929,000 employees would go into effect at 12:01 a. m., Saturday, Oct. 1.

The workers, who consistently refused to accept the reduction in a series of conferences, are taking a nation-wide strike vote. The results of the referendum probably will be announced here on September 25.

"The refusal of the employees to agree to a wage reduction in negotiation or mediation proceedings and their rejection of arbitration leave the railroads now with but one method of reducing wages under the law—to make the reduction effective," the carriers joint conference committee announced in a formal statement. "This will be done at the earliest date permitted by the law.

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Strike of Clerks In Waiting Stage

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—(AP)—More fifteen-day picket lines and employers reports of beatings and intimidations today accompanied indications that opposing sides were settling down to an endurance contest in the department store strike.

In the 24-hour picket ending at mid-afternoon five additional persons were reported hurt in picket line encounters and seven new arrests were made, bringing the official total for the three-day old strike to seven injured and 14 taken into custody.

The San Francisco labor council, speaking for the 20 or more affected unions, announced the withdrawal of all compromise offers made on behalf of the workers prior to the beginning of the strike Wednesday against 35 stores. About 6,000 workers were affected. This was taken to mean they again would press their original demands for a "union shop," a 35-hour week and "store-wide seniority."

The plan, said to have the approval of the official British mediation mission headed by Viscount Runciman, would leave foreign policy, finances and national defense under control of the central government at Prague.

In the event of the acceptance by the Sudetens, the plan would be submitted to parliament for approval, thus refraining from any dictatorial establishment of a new governmental system.

Envoy of Nippon May Be Replaced

TOKYO, Sept. 10.—(Saturday)—"The newspaper Nichi Nichi today reported Hiroshi Hiroshi Saito, Japanese ambassador to the United States, would be replaced by Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kensuke Horinouchi in Washington.

Though the foreign office insisted the matter was still pending, the newspaper asserted Saito would be recalled if a new request because of ill health.

French Planning Wholesale Distribution of Gas Masks

PARIS, Sept. 9.—(AP)—The French government turned anxious attention today to civilian defense measures, now that French fighting forces—army, air force and navy—are prepared for any emergency that might arise from the Czechoslovak-German crisis.

Distribution of gas masks to civilians, a measure promised but postponed for many months, was planned by the interior ministry.

Tons of sand were trucked into Paris bulwark shelters and public buildings in the capital against bombs which Parisians pray will never fall.

The threat of war gradually was being brought home to the French. A certain amount of nervousness was evident among Paris civilians and it was not allayed by

Cabinet Makes Decision After Midnight Meet

Formal Note to Declare Britain not to Abide Czech Invasion

Daily Mail Says Envoy Will Deliver Hitler Note in Person

LONDON, Sept. 10.—(Saturday)—(AP)—The Daily Mail said today the British government decided at midnight to tell Germany "in precise and formal terms" Great Britain would not stand aside if Czechoslovakia were attacked.

The newspaper said a diplomatic note to this effect would be delivered by Sir Neville Henderson, British ambassador to Berlin, "probably to Adolf Hitler himself" within the next few hours at the prime minister's residence.

Henderson Delays Leaving Nurnberg
Sir Neville postponed his scheduled departure from Nurnberg last night, which the Daily Mail said was done on instructions from No. 10 Downing street, the prime minister's residence.

(In Nurnberg, it was said the British government was understood to be desirous of keeping Sir Neville there to urge the gravity of the international situation on the German government.)

The fourth day of the adoption by the British admiralty of some virtual wartime precautions because of the situation created by the Czechoslovak-German conflict.

Decision Reached After Many Hours
The government's decision to take a firmer stand with Germany, the newspaper said, was reached "after many hours consultation" between Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, Foreign Minister Viscount Halifax, Sir John Simon, chancellor of the exchequer; Sir Robert Vansittart, chief diplomatic adviser to the government; and Sir Alexander Cadogan, permanent undersecretary of foreign affairs.

Their activity was hastened, the Daily Mail added, because of "information reaching yesterday" that the admiralty ordered full crew complements aboard the first mine-sweeping flotilla composed of seven ships and declared that four mine-sweeping destroyers be brought to full commission from a reserve status.

Admiralty Move First Admission
Although the British home fleet is engaged in maneuvers in the North Sea off Scotland, tonight's move was the admiralty's first admission of precautions because of the central European crisis.

Previously the admiralty stoutly insisted the maneuvers were routine.

The admiralty's order came close on the heels of reports France had asked Britain to take defense measures publicly which might have a restraining influence on Germany to head off any military move against Czechoslovakia.

Public Opinion Favors Warning
Just before the admiralty announcement, Britain's "inner cabinet" held a meeting to consider all phases of the central European situation while British public opinion seemed to be hardening in favor of a blunt warning to Germany "before it is too late."

The naval vessels affected by the order are all at their home ports. In ports elsewhere they could steam quickly to defense of the British Isles in an emergency.

Only recently the admiralty strengthened the number of naval vessels at Gibraltar, gateway to the Mediterranean.

The "Cabinet"
Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax and Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir John Simon—considered possibility of the 11th hour warning to Germany that invasion of Czechoslovakia was imminent.

Britain to fight, according to informed sources.

The manner of delivering such a warning presented a main stumbling block in the government's deliberations. Efforts of Sir Neville Henderson, British ambassador to Germany, to interview Reichsfuehrer Hitler casually at Nurnberg's Nazi party congress have failed.

It was felt in informed quarters here that if Sir Neville should formally request an interview with Chancellor Hitler and then deliver a strong warning, the fruer, influenced by the emotional atmosphere of Nurnberg, might react violently.

Union Chiefs, Storemen Mum on Safeway Pact

PORTLAND, Sept. 9.—(AP)—Neither union officers nor Safeway store executives today would reveal terms of the settlement of the 56-day strike that ended yesterday.