

**The Weather**  
Generally fair Thursday and Friday. Temperature above normal with moderately low humidity. Wednesday Temp. Max. 76, Min. 41. Rain 0. River .1 foot. NW wind.

**Sunday Features**  
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# North Santiam Relocation Fund in Budget UMW Reject 'Last' Offer but Some Mines May Reopen Soon

## Steelman Asks Firms to Sign, Avoid Shortage

"Union Shop" Feature Is Only Stumbling Block Before Conference

Lewis Agrees to Opening on Union Terms, but Not 8-State Area

NEW YORK, May 11.—(Thursday)—A spokesman for the bituminous operators announced early today the United Mine Workers had rejected their "last proposal" for reopening the soft coal mines of 26 states.

In an attempt to avert a further fuel famine, Dr. John R. Steelman, federal mediator, asked individual companies to sign separate contracts with the United Mine Workers union.

He said he believed enough individual operators were willing to comply with the UMW terms for a closed shop to ease the present national emergency.

CIO President John L. Lewis, spokesman for the miners, immediately announced such an arrangement was satisfactory with the mine union.

"Today the bituminous districts in the outlying area will be notified that the UMW are prepared to execute contracts to reinstate the production of coal," he said.

Doesn't Apply to Appalachian Region

Lewis said no individual contracts would be made in the 8-state Appalachian region, however, pending the outcome of another conference at 4 p.m. today.

R. L. Ireland, the spokesman, said the operators had proposed immediate resumption of the operations stopped at the expiration of the old contract last March 31, when nearly a half million miners stopped work.

He said the operators had sought an agreement for resumption at the wage and hour scale of the expired contract.

The announced breakdown of negotiations came after joint and separate sessions of the CIO miners and the operators who renewed their meetings at the demand of President Roosevelt in the face of an industrial fuel famine.

"It's now up to the miners," said a spokesman for the operators. "Negotiations are being continued."

The spokesman said the only new offer in the operators' final proposal was to reopen the mines, as the president requested.

Previously, John L. Lewis, president of the Mine Workers, declared he had proposed returning to work four times but had been rebuffed by the mine owners.

The operators' spokesman said the conferees had come to terms on every point except the UMW demand for a "union shop."

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 10.—(AP)—Declaring "the people of Kentucky and the nation have become weary of this controversy," Gov. A. B. Chandler said today he would send national guardsmen into Harlan county Monday if no labor contract has been signed for the Appalachian coal field by then.

In a 1,500-word statement, he said the troops would have instructions to give protection to every citizen of Harlan county who desires to work in the mines upon terms and conditions acceptable to him and his employers.

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## Methodists Proclaimed United, Final Ceremony Of Historic Convention

10,000 at Service Bringing Eight Million Into one Church; Peace Resolution Leaves Room for "Honest Difference of Opinion"

KANSAS CITY, May 10.—(AP)—In worshipful ceremony the Methodist church was proclaimed one united body tonight by the 900 delegates and 56 bishops who have spent two weeks in perfecting its government.

## Portland Harbor Will Close Today Dock Men Fail to Work on Luckenbach by Time Ultimatum Set

PORTLAND, Ore., May 10.—(AP)—Portland harbor, crowded with ships, was scheduled to be closed at 8 a. m. Thursday.

The waterfront Employers association threatened Tuesday to close the port at that time unless CIO longshoremen went to work on the freighter William Luckenbach by 8 a. m. today. But the dock men continued to respect a non-existent picket line today.

The boat was tied up last week by pickets of the CIO maritime office union, who charged the Luckenbach company had failed to comply with a national labor relations board order to reinstate three members with back pay.

An injunction dissolved the line but not until one picket had been arrested for continuing his vigil at the Luckenbach's gangplank. He was charged with contempt of court. The restraining order held that the pickets violated Oregon's union-control law, a constitutionality test of which is now being heard.

The longshoremen hiring hall sent four gangs to the ship today but none appeared to work cargo. The longshoremen asserted the protest was still in effect.

There were more than 20 boats in port tonight and several more are due before the 8 a. m. deadline.

## Green Insists on Law's Amendment Six Fundamental Changes Listed; Conference Is Under Way

WASHINGTON, May 10.—(AP)—President William Green declared tonight that the American Federation of Labor had given no thought to compromise in its drive to amend the Wagner act, and listed six changes which he considered "fundamental."

He expressed his views at a press conference while two of his associates, General Counsel Joseph A. P. Fawcett and John P. Frey, of the metal trades department, were closeted with labor board members in an attempt to reach an agreement on some of the AFL amendments.

The AFL-labor board conference was called, Green said, "to explore the situation to see if an agreement can be reached on certain amendments."

Green included among the six changes a proposal to abolish the present three-man board and replace it with a five-man agency.

He conceded that there was little likelihood of the board's agreeing to this.

The other "fundamental" amendments he said, included restricting board powers to fix the appropriate bargaining unit and invalidate contracts, permitting appeal to the courts in representation cases, fixing the time for complaint hearings, and permitting employers to petition for employee elections.

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## Prayers Don't End Church Arguments

PORTLAND, May 10.—(AP)—Circuit Judge J. A. Mears gave two disputing factions of the Gospel Light tabernacle some advice from the scriptures as he ordered them.

For the second time, to go home and try to solve their disagreements with practical Christianity.

A week ago he ordered the two groups, both seeking possession of the church, to try prayer, but they were back in court today.

"Apparently your prayers were not directed to the right subject or you would not have been here today," the judge commented.

He ordered them to ponder the matter further with this counsel: "Agree with thine adversary quickly, while thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer and thou be cast in prison."

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## Centennial of Church Set at St. Paul Today

Pontifical High Mass at 10, Blanchet Service 2:30 in Afternoon

Pageant at Vancouver Is Impressive; Scene of 1839's Is Recalled

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 10.—(AP)—The Port Vancouver that Dr. John McLoughlin ruled over came to life for an hour today in a pageant that marked the second day of the celebration of a century of Catholicism in the Pacific northwest.

The pageant included a depiction of the landing 100 years ago of Father Francis Norbert Blanchet and Father Abbe Modest Demers, who brought the Catholic church to the northwest wilderness in 1839.

Federal theatre project actors took the roles of famed pioneer characters. Harold Peterson as Dr. McLoughlin rode out of the restored gateway of the old stockade under the flag of the Hudson's Bay company.

Scores of high churchmen from all over the nation witnessed the show.

Pope's Representative Has Seat of Honor

The seat of honor was occupied by the representative of Pope Pius XII, the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani. Surrounding him were Bishop Gerald Shanahan, Seattle; Bishop Edward D. Howard, Portland; Bishop Charles D. White, Spokane.

When the cannon in the fort fired a shot designating the start of the ceremony, an estimated 600 spectators were massed along the railroad embankment and overflowed the 2000 seats provided.

Director of the picturesque event, sponsored jointly by the Catholic centenary committee and the Vancouver Stockaders, was Edwin G. O'Connor, Seattle.

The second day of the centennial.

## World Terrible Mess", Governor Informs Students

EUGENE, May 10.—(AP)—Instead of getting the world with a pink ribbon tied around it, university graduates more likely will get a world in a bucket, "for it's in a terrible mess," Gov. Charles A. Sprague told the University of Oregon student body last night.

Attending exercises at which John Dick, The Dalles, was installed as president of the student body, the governor remarked that students today must look forward to sterner discipline if the world is to be returned to economic normalcy but he warned them against panaceas.

## Lindbergh Reaches West Coast, Aircraft Facilities Inspection

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## Family Ignores Claim of 'Ross'

Gustave Blair, 69, is decreed to be Charley Ross, who was kidnapped at age 4, 65 years ago, by an Arizona superior court. The Ross family of Philadelphia didn't contest the suit, but announces it will continue to ignore the claimant.—AP Telegram.

## School Leader Selection Due Before June 1

Smith, Durham, Several Others Mentioned as Possible Choices

Mrs. Agnes Booth, Also Two Connected With Office Mentioned

The Marion county court probably will appoint a successor to Mary L. Fulkerson as county school superintendent before June 1, Judge J. C. Stegmund said late yesterday.

"We are going to take our time because we want to find someone if possible who can carry out Mrs. Fulkerson's program during the rest of her term," Judge Stegmund added.

Mrs. Fulkerson's term expires December 31, 1940.

While no formal applications for the position have been received by the court, which by law must fill the vacancy, several persons' names have been mentioned by friends. Among them has been William M. Smith, whom Mrs. Fulkerson succeeded as superintendent of the state department of education. In 1936 he was defeated at the primary election by Mrs. Fulkerson in a contest for the office.

Durham, Mrs. Booth Receive Mention

Outside the courthouse two other possible candidates for the county superintendency were being mentioned, H. F. Durham, retiring principal of Parrish junior high school, Salem, and Mrs. Agnes Booth, principal of Salem Heights school. Durham next month will terminate many years of service to the Salem school district as he becomes subject to the compulsory state retirement act.

Mrs. Booth has been in the teaching profession for 15 years, principal at Salem Heights for the last five years, has held several offices in the state and county teachers' associations and, friends said (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

## Damage to Crops By Drought Seen Only .01 Inch Rainfall in May to Date; Federal Report Is Issued

A drought record for May following the one set here in April appeared well on the way for Salem and vicinity yesterday with a third of the month gone and but .01 inches of rain recorded in the 10 days.

Compared to this almost unmeasurable precipitation, .65 inches had fallen in the first 10 days in May of last year. The Willamette river is showing the drought's cumulative effect, yesterday's river stage being a trifle .1 foot as compared to 3.3 feet just a year ago.

Cloudiness forecast yesterday failed to appear and the outlook for the rest of the week is for more fair weather.

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## Half Million Sure, More Possible With House Voting Boost

Amount Recommended by Committee Is Increased; Three Valley Project Dams to Receive Allocations

Cottage Grove, Fern Ridge, Dorena Reservoirs on List; Amounts for Oregon Work Revealed

WASHINGTON, May 10.—(AP)—The house, overriding the recommendation of its appropriations committee that funds for flood control and navigation projects be confined to budget estimates, voted today to increase them from \$177,000,000 to \$227,000,000 for fiscal 1940.

It adopted the view of the subcommittee which prepared the annual appropriation bill for the war department's civil functions that the item for New York on navigation projects should be increased from the budget's \$30,000,000 to \$55,000,000; that for general flood control from \$110,000,000 to \$133,000,000, and that for flood control on the lower Mississippi river from \$37,000,000 to \$39,000,000.

During hearings on the bill, army engineers told the subcommittee that allocations under a general flood control appropriation of \$130,000,000 would include the following (they said today they were preparing a new list of allocations to reflect the further increase of \$3,000,000):

Cottage Grove reservoir, Willamette basin, \$1,480,700; Dorena reservoir, Willamette basin, \$1,505,000; Fern Ridge reservoir, Willamette basin, \$1,489,300; Willamette river, \$150,000; Tualatin river, Willamette basin, \$110,250; Santiam river, Willamette basin, \$60,000; Detroit reservoir highway relocation, Willamette basin, \$500,000; open river improvement, Willamette basin, \$100,000; Sauvie Island, Columbia basin, \$655,000; Multnomah drainage district No. 1, \$398,000; Scappoose drainage district, Columbia basin, \$207,000; Youngs river dikes, Columbia basin, \$27,000; John Day river dikes, Columbia basin, \$2,000; Wallowa river dikes, Columbia basin, \$89,000; Sandy drainage district, Columbia basin, \$115,000; Deer Island area, Columbia county, \$153,000; Prescott area, Columbia county, \$33,000; Peninsular drainage district No. 2, \$127,000; Westport district, Columbia and Clatsop counties, \$34,000.

For new work on navigation projects the engineers made (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

## Cotton Program Suffers Setback

Senate Refuses to Attach Rider; Proposal now in Muddled State

WASHINGTON, May 10.—(AP)—A plan for a government subsidy to increase exports of American cotton suffered a setback in the senate today when the chamber refused to suspend its rules in order to attach a rider dealing with the program to the pending \$1,218,000,000 agriculture department appropriation bill.

The plan was a modification of the original Roosevelt administration proposal for subsidies to facilitate sales abroad of the United States' huge cotton crop. After some northern senators had vehemently objected that under the Roosevelt proposal, huge portions of the 11,000,000-bale supply which the government holds as security for loans would be released on the market and drive down the price for new crop cotton, Senator Brewster (D-Ind.) stepped forward with a compromise.

Under his proposal, the subsidies would apply only to the forthcoming 1939 crop. He asked the senate today to suspend its rules to approve this form of subsidy to suspend senate rules.

The adverse vote left the cotton export proposal in an admittedly muddled status. Both critics and opponents of the bounty plan conceded that existing law and some \$60,000,000 of funds already in the farm bill would enable the administration to ignore the senate vote, if it wished, and carry out the plan anyway.

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## Claude Gatch Is Called by Death; Ex-Salem Mayor

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For many years he was cashier of the Ledds & Busher bank at Salem and active in Oregon politics; later federal bank examiner in the northwest, examiner and director of the federal reserve bank in San Francisco.

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## British Proposal Clarified But Russia Remains Enigma

(By the Associated Press)

The enigma of the position of Soviet Russia in Europe's tentative diplomatic maneuvers dominated news from abroad Wednesday.

Speaking in the house of commons to make clear Great Britain's stand on proposed security arrangements, Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain assured Russia that Britain's proposals to Moscow asked for military aid in eastern Europe only after British-French forces have taken the field in any future war.

Chamberlain spoke to allay Soviet doubts about the British proposals, but nevertheless the feeling persisted in some quarters that the Soviet union might reject the British plan.

In Moscow it was observed that British and French pledges to Poland and Rumania have lessened considerably Russia's need for an alliance in the west. Some observers felt there was no reason for Russia to join in any fight at all, now that Poland, a buffer between Germany and Russia, has automatic British and French aid coming in event of trouble.

Russia's relations with Poland were regarded as improved as a result of a conference in Warsaw between her assistant minister P. Potemkin, and Foreign Minister Joseph Beck.

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