

## Special Prosecutor Sought to Probe Court

### WPA Strike Threatened

#### Union Builders On WPA Jobs Are Affected

Strike Recommendation to Be Made Today, Says Mathis  
Thousands Leaving Jobs in Nation as Longer Hours Decried

PORTLAND, July 6.—(P)—B. R. Mathis, secretary of the Oregon Building Trades council, said today a strike recommendation, affecting a number of building tradesmen on WPA projects in Oregon, would be made Friday morning. Mathis predicted the unionists, about 1000 of whom are at work in Portland, would join the "protest strikes" elsewhere in the nation as result of longer hours and less pay on WPA.

Portland, July 6.—(P)—Robert M. Duncan of Burns, president of the state senate, became Oregon's governor last night at the moment when Governor Charles A. Sprague crossed the state line into California to attend "Oregon Day" at the world's fair Saturday. Under the Oregon laws the president of the senate steps up when the regularly elected governor leaves the state or is incapacitated. Duncan arrived in Salem yesterday to assume charge of the state executive department.

#### He Is Governor Of Oregon now



Portland, July 6.—(P)—Soviet Russian papers reporting great victories on the Mongol front.

#### Soviets now Win In Border Battle

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#### British Plan Aiding Allies in Arms

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#### Credit Fund Established for Loans to France and Others

These moves included: 1.—Introduction of a measure in parliament to provide a £50,000,000 (£234,000,000) credit fund to help her allies buy arms.

#### British Air Force Will Show off in France During July

Although it was first reported that Prime Minister Chamberlain would make a statement tomorrow in the house of commons, informed sources said later that he would not speak since the government was anxious to refrain from making the international situation more difficult.

#### M. E. Klinger Loses Jewelry to Thief

Theft of watches and jewelry valued at close to \$100 was reported to city police yesterday by Maurice E. Klinger, 2010 North 17th street.

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### Flood Toll 53 As Red Cross Hastens Help

Search Is Kept up for 47 Persons Reported as Missing  
Damp Weather Is Hamper to Searchers in Beds of Silted Creeks

JACKSON, Ky., July 6.—(P)—Bodies of 53 persons trapped in their eastern Kentucky mountain homes and drowned when a night cloudburst poured tons of water into small streams had been identified today.

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### Bridges Set Back On Charge Details

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6.—(P)—Legal counsel for Harry Bridges disclosed today he had received a setback in trying to obtain particulars of the charges against the west coast CIO leader in the immigration service deportation hearing starting Monday on Angel island in San Francisco bay.

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### FLASH FLOOD BRINGS DEATH TO HILLS



Floods that followed a Fourth of July cloudburst took the lives of 53 persons in eastern Kentucky's mountain regions and left 47 yet unaccounted for. The flash flood swept over creek banks, over farmlands and through villages and hamlets. Photo from air shows the flooded countryside near Morehead, Ky.—(HN).

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### President's Mom Off for Europe—Unscared by War

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### Duncan States Request Being Given Thought

District Attorney Talks Over Matter With Executive  
Possibility Is Seen That Marsh May Be Asked to Take Job

The state executive department confirmed rumors late yesterday that a request had been made for appointment of a special prosecutor to conduct the investigation of the Marion county court's auditing practices, with which the new grand jury was charged by Circuit Judge L. H. McMahan last Saturday.

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