

Nighttime News
The morning newspaper's columns are open until 3 a.m., assuring readers of late night and early morning news coverage.

The Weather
Generally fair today and Sunday, temperature normal to interior. Maximum Temp. Friday 80, minimum 45. River 2.1 ft. NW wind.

EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

27 Perish as Heat Wave Blasts Over Nation

Oregon WPA Strike on 1000 Affected Are Mostly on Road Projects

Walkout Starts as Eight Men Leave Mechanical Earth Movers
Thousands of Union Men Go off Jobs as WPA Protest Grows

PORTLAND, Ore., July 7-(P)—A strike of 1000 unionists employed on Oregon WPA projects apparently had started tonight when eight men walked off the job on the Wilson River highway project.
Earlier in the day the Portland building trades council informed its men they "must receive the prevailing scale" of wages. The notification affected about 1000 workers on WPA jobs mainly in the Portland area and on the Wolf creek and Wilson river roads to the sea.
The first walkout involved crews from two power shovels. E. J. Griffith, state WPA administrator, said any men quitting would be replaced in five days. He said no other projects had been threatened as result of the extension of WPA hours without wage increases.
Eight thousand men are employed on the two highway jobs but less than 1000 were affected by the order.

(By The Associated Press)
Works projects administration employes in unnumbered thousands left their jobs throughout the country yesterday in protest against lengthened hours, while the New York WPA administrator asked the US attorney to determine whether law violations were involved.
Estimates of those idle ranged beyond 100,000, but WPA officials generally disagreed with American Federation of Labor and Workers Alliance reports on the extent of the strike, which grew from the new federal relief act fixing flat wages for a 130-hour month irrespective of union scales.

In Washington, Col. F. C. Harrington, head of the WPA, said the work stoppage was "growing, but not very rapidly." He and others of the WPA declined to refer to the situation as a "strike."
The AFL Building Trades union declared at a meeting in Washington would use their political power and economic strength to force payment of union wages.
The rival Congress of Industrial Organizations joined in demanding amendment to the relief act.

Act Change Proposed
Among some members of congress, revision of the act was considered. Senator Murray (D-Mont) said he would propose elimination of 30-day dismissals for those employed by the WPA for 18 months and restoration of the prevailing wage system.
Col. Brehon Somerville, administrator for New York, where the largest number of relief workers is employed, disputed the statement by Thomas A. Murray, president of the AFL building and construction trades council, that 60,000 of the 75,000 on construction projects were idle.

"That is absolutely, utterly and completely ridiculous," asserted Colonel Somerville, fixing the number at about 15,000.
"A great many men are working today that were not working yesterday," he added, and similar reports were made from other points in the country.
Critical of material vendors and contractors whose men he said had quit even though they were non-WPA, Colonel Somerville said he had asked US District Attorney John T. Cahill to determine if this and picketing were law violations.
He said vendors who refused to deliver materials to WPA projects might be guilty of actionable boycott.

Asked what he would call the WPA situation if it were not a strike, he replied, "I'd call it incomprehensible. You can't strike against relief. It's fantastic."

Talmadge to Have Operation on Eye

D. H. Talmadge, better known as the "Sage of Salem" through his philosophical columns written for The Statesman, will undergo an operation at the Deaconess hospital this morning for the removal of a cataract of the eye, it was learned yesterday.
Mr. Talmadge, who is 72 years old, discontinued his writing a few months ago because of the eye trouble, of about a year's standing.

Navy Secretary Victim of Death Chief of Navy Swanson Dies At Age of 77



CLAUDE A. SWANSON

Senate Bloc May Delay Neutrality Revision Plans Dampened by Statement That 34 Senators Opposed

WASHINGTON, July 7-(P)—The administration campaign to revise the neutrality act at this session of congress suffered a stunning, if not fatal, blow today with a statement from the opposition that an organized group of 34 senators stood ready to fight such legislation to the bitter end.
In the opinion of many persons at the capitol, the development amounted to a death knell. It was immediately assumed that the group would filibuster if necessary. And it was pointed out that 34 senators, or half that number, could keep a filibuster going for months, if not indefinitely.
Administration leaders, while disposed to consider the 34 an over-estimate of the strength of the opposition, nevertheless could not conceal their gloom.
"I'm going right on, of course," (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Labor Board Head Blasts Sit Downs

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., July 7-(P)—William L. Lelerson, new member of the national labor relations board, told the University of Virginia's institute of public affairs tonight seizure of owners' property by sit down strikers could not be permitted and that "we must feel outraged at such acts."
On the other hand, he said, "When an employer proposes to seize and trespass upon the rights of the workman we should feel just as outraged as when the employer has suffered at the hands of the workman. We should feel that this property right of the wage earner to collective dealings to protect his wages and conditions of work is just as sacred as our own property right."
Lelerson predicted labor struggles would continue until employers and the public recognized that the workman's right to bargain collectively was as much a property right as his right to own property.

Albany Sheriff Donates Hat and Shirt to Thief

ALBANY, July 7-(P)—Sheriff Herbert Shelton may miss his old hat and shirt, but he isn't kidding.
They were the only things missing after an audacious burglar ransacked the sheriff's house last night, even stripping mattresses from the beds. Guns and valuables were untouched.

Bricklayer May Be Slayer Wanted for Torso Killings

CLEVELAND, July 7-(P)—A short, heavily-muscled bricklayer tonight signed a confession of one of Cleveland's 15 "torso murders," Sheriff Martin L. O'Donnell announced. Authorities continued to grill the prisoner in an effort to solve the deaths of other butchered victims.
"We think he is involved in at least two more," O'Donnell said. "He signed a confession but I don't think all of it's truthful. When he signs one we're satisfied with, we'll charge him with first degree murder."
The prisoner is "Frank Dolezal, a Bohemian," the sheriff said.
He and county detectives manacled the 53-year-old unmarried man and took him to point out where parts of the body of Mrs. Florence Polillo, 42, were thrown on a rubbish heap, and then to the shore to show where her head and other parts were tossed into Lake Erie.
"He showed us where he threw the torso on the rubbish heap," O'Donnell said. "Then we got neighbors to point out where it was found, and it was right at the very spot."
"I really think he's in on some of the other torso murders. We think he is involved in at least two more—Mrs. Rose Wallace, 46, (a negro) and Edward W. Andrassy, 25. He knew them both."
Twelve headless dead have been found in Cleveland since September, 1935. Parts of the body of Mrs. Polillo, a 160-pound waitress, were found on the rubbish dump Jan. 26, 1938. She was victim No. 3. Andrassy, No. 2, was found Sept. 26, 1938, and Mrs. Wallace June 8, 1937.
Coroner S. R. Gerber and some (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

No Action Is Made to Pick New Manager

Water Body Head States Action May Be Held up Month

OLSON RESOLUTION OKHEKED TO AUDIT WATER BUY TRANSACTION

The Salem water commission took no action last night toward appointment of a manager to succeed the late Cuyler VanPatten. Chairman I. M. Doughton said after the commission meeting that the selection might be delayed for a month or longer.
Names of two additional applicants for the position were disclosed by the chairman. One is Edward Rostein, member of the commission for several years before and 2 1/2 years after the city bought the water system. The other is Walter Chiene, manager of the water system at Marshfield. Others are Clifton M. Irwin, Ira Darby, C. E. Guenther and Lee A. McCallister.
Without a dissenting vote, the commission adopted Commissioner O. A. Olson's resolution asking the state division of audits to make a detailed report on the city's financial transactions leading up to purchase of the water system and on to the time in October, 1937, when all water department affairs were turned over to the commission by the city council.
Second Big Well Proves Failure
Hopes that the second large well recently drilled on Stayton island would add another 2,000,000 gallons to the city's water supply were cooled by the report from R. E. Koon, consulting engineer, that the well had proven a virtual failure. The first large well is now in operation and producing in excess of that amount.
Since the unsuccessful well was not located on the course of the old river channel across the island, while the producing well was, it appears, Koon said, that "any (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

75 Are Overcome By Chlorine Gas

CHANGING WIND IS CAUSE OF FUMES GOING OVER SWIMMING POOL

UTICA, N.Y., July 7-(P)—Seventy-five persons including 60 children, were overcome by chlorine gas which a change of wind swept across the new Addison C. Miller municipal swimming pool late today.
Officials at Faxon hospital where the victims were treated, said William Rubin, 60, New York City; Leonard Nunno, 42, and Clarence Mosher, 17, both of Utica, were in serious condition.
Forteen others were kept in the hospital overnight, the remainder were released after receiving inhalator treatment.
The victims, many of whom were in the water, became affected when a gust of wind swept them with the fumes from a nearby storage tank which attendants had opened preparatory to connecting it with the pool chlorinating system, a method to purify water used by similar pools throughout the nation.
Several persons sitting and standing on the pool promenade (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Capitol Flagpole Buying Is Muddled

Senator Dean Walker, Independence, chairman of the state emergency board, conferred with Governor Robert M. Duncan here Friday in connection with a request for an emergency board appropriation of \$20,000.
The money would be used for the installation of two flagpoles in front of the new capitol building, landscaping the state library grounds and for other less costly projects. Part of the state funds would be matched by federal money.
Officials said state funds on hand were inadequate for the improvements.
Walker said he would defer calling the emergency board until detailed figures were available, probably next Tuesday.

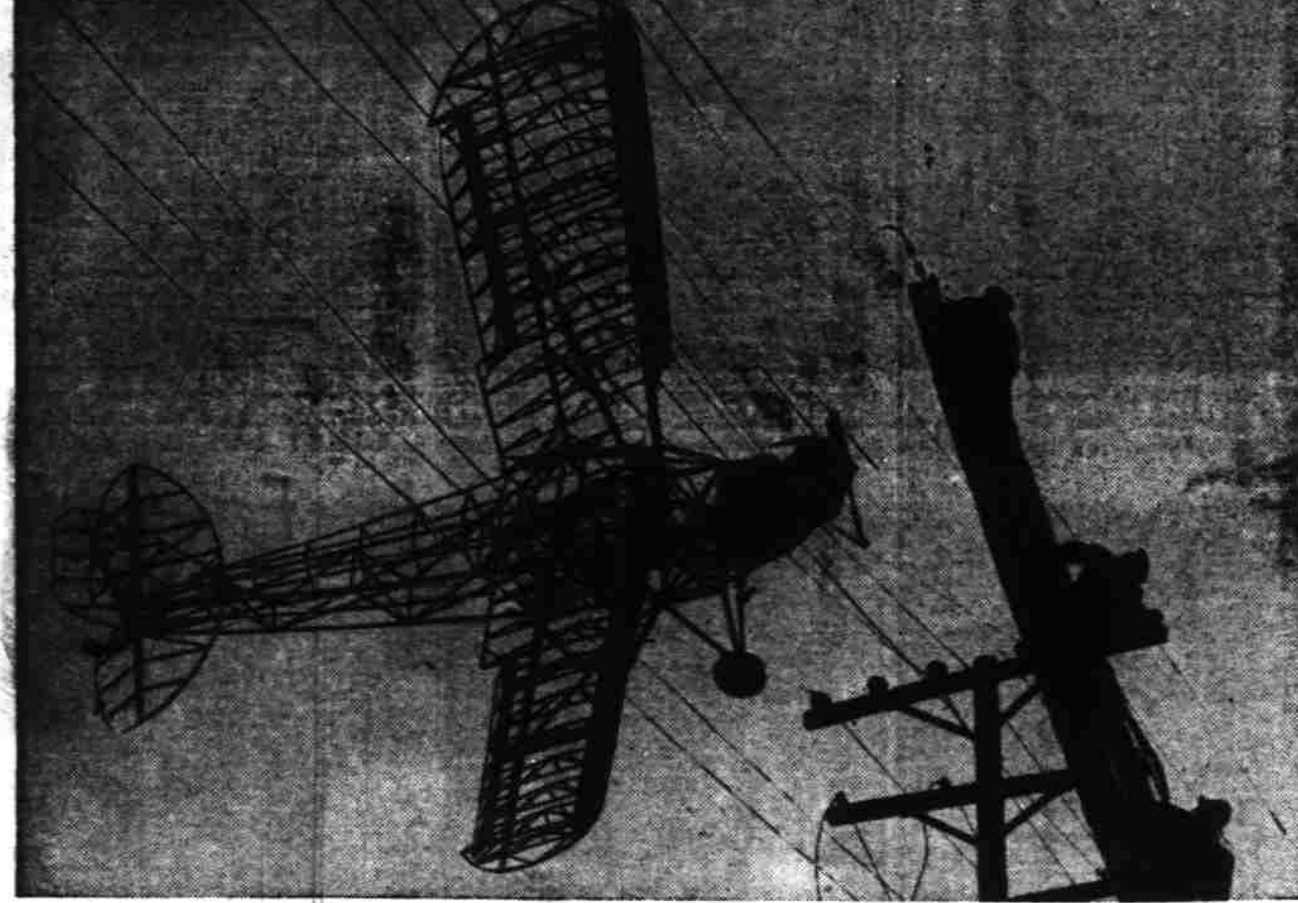
One Killed, 1 Hurt In Highway Crash

Edward Leland Ranford, 6841 Southeast 50th street, Portland, was killed, and William W. Weiss, 1430 East 14th street, Portland, sustained minor injuries when an automobile in which they were riding skidded off the Salem-Dal highway near the Oak Knoll golf course early yesterday morning.
Both were brakemen employed by the Southern Pacific company, with headquarters at Black Rock, out of which they worked on logging trains.
The accident occurred on what is known as Dead Man's curve, just west of Oak Knoll. Mrs. William Ashby of Oak Knoll, who with her husband summoned aid for the wreck victims, said it appeared that the car was going too fast to make the curve.

Dayton Paper Is Bought by Biggs

DAYTON, July 7-(P)—The Dayton Tribune, owned and managed for the last 12 months by Milo Taylor, changed ownership when J. M. Biggs, Jr., of Pendleton purchased the plant this week.

PLANE BURNS IN WIRES; FLIER UNHURT



Unusual photo above shows the skeleton of a plane rented by a US seaman, C. B. Thomasson, who crashed the ship into high tension wires while attempting a land in San Diego. Thomasson crawled along wires to miraculous safety after the power automatically went off. Meantime the plane was burning beside him. In photo are shown firemen attempting to extricate remains of the huge "fly" caught in the giant spider web.—(I.N.)

Flood Death Toll Now Stands at 61

12-MILE DISASTER REGION IS UNDER QUARANTINE TO HALT DISEASE

JACKSON, Ky., July 7-(P)—The death toll in the eastern Kentucky mountain "flash" floods rose to 61 tonight with recovery of 14 bodies here.
By counties the total of reported bodies was:
Breathitt 24, Rowan 25 and Lee 2.
Thirty-five persons were reported missing.
While health authorities, fearful of disease that usually follows a disaster, put a 12-mile area around this stricken community under quarantine, Gov. A. B. Chandler appealed to Kentuckians to contribute money and clothing for relief of the sufferers.
"More than 4,500 families in 11 counties have been stricken by what I believe is the worst calamity of its kind ever to visit Kentucky," the governor said in a statement.
"It is impossible to describe conditions. All of the state's facilities are being used to alleviate and rehabilitate..."
State police guarded the quarantined area as volunteers, CCC enrollees and natives afoot and on mule back scoured the Frozen creek and quicksand districts of Breathitt county for missing residents.
Estimates of property damage in the disaster ran into the millions and aid of the federal government was sought for residents and merchants.

Car Was all out Of Gas, so Went Window Shopping

PORTLAND, Ore., July 7-(P)—Mrs. Josephine A. Greenburg, Portland, discovered her automobile was out of gasoline so she pushed it out of the garage onto the sloping runway.
Before she could reach the wheel the car took its head and rambled across busy Sandy boulevard through a plate-glass window beyond.

Late Sports

LOS ANGELES, July 7-(P)—Portland's last game Beavers and Los Angeles staged a wild slugfest tonight and the Angels finally got the nod, 13 to 12.
Jimmy (Ripper) Collins hit his 19th home run of the season for Los Angeles and Charley English added another four-base blow in the Angel cause.
The Beavers batted Al Epperly off the mound early and continued the assault on Jess Flores and Joe Berry, but the Angels saw nothing puzzling about the slants of four Portland hurlers.
Portland 12 19 3
Los Angeles 13 16 1
Radnitz, Pickrel (4), Hilscher (6), Birkhofer (9) and Hernandez; Epperly, Flores (3), Berry (8) and R. Collins.
SACRAMENTO, Calif., July 7-(P)—Night game:
Hollywood 3 10 3
Sacramento 4 6 0
Fleming and Brenzel; Sherer and Grill.
OAKLAND, Calif., July 7-(P)—Night game:
Seattle 3 10 2
Oakland 3 5 4
Gregory and Hancken; Gay and Raymond.

Bee Sting Causes Man to Die, Says Attending Doctor

DILLON, Mont., July 7-(P)—Frank A. Hazelbaker, 61, former lieutenant governor of Montana, was dead today, victim of a bee sting.
Hazelbaker, who was the unsuccessful republican candidate for governor in 1936 and served Beaverhead county and Montana in public office for many years, died suddenly at his home yesterday.
Dr. W. E. Stephan said death was caused by a bee sting and said Hazelbaker was "allergic" to bee stings.
Hazelbaker had been in his garden, gathering flowers for the dinner table.
Walking into the house, he said to his wife: "I feel funny. I've been stung by a bee. You know, I'm very allergic to bee stings."
Mrs. Hazelbaker said she started toward an upstairs bedroom then collapsed. He died 20 minutes later.
Dr. Stephan, after a conference with two other physicians, said:
"We figure it an accidental death, due to an allergy to the bee sting."

Hurley Files Suit Against Milk Body

ALTON D. HURLEY AS PROPRIETOR OF CAPITOL DAIRIES OF SALEM FILED SUIT IN CIRCUIT COURT YESTERDAY AGAINST THE OREGON MILK CONTROL BOARD ASKING THAT THE BOARD BE ENJOINED FROM COLLECTING APPROXIMATELY \$5400 FROM HIM UNDER THE SALEM POOL ORDER AND FROM REVOKING HIS LICENSE AS A MILK DEALER AND DISTRIBUTOR. NOTICE WAS GIVEN THAT A TEMPORARY INJUNCTION WOULD BE APPLIED FOR BEFORE CIRCUIT JUDGE L. G. LEWELLING ON JULY 18.
The milk board has voted to conduct a hearing today regarding the plaintiff's operations and intends to revoke his license, thereby to destroy his business, the complaint asserts.
Hurley alleges the board conducted a hearing in 1936 without giving him or other dealers a fair opportunity to present their arguments and thereafter invoked its order No. 107 requiring dealers and distributors to pay certain differentials. This order required the dealer-distributors to pay the producer 5 1/2 cents per butterfat pound, subsequently reduced to 5 1/4 cents.
The orders, the complaint avers, were arbitrary and unreasonable.

Vista Commission Has new Proposal

The Vista Heights water commission last night obtained a new proposal from the Salem water commission to supply their district with water.
The Salem commission offered to supply the suburban district from the city's gravity pipeline near Indian Hill farm on Fairview home road at the inside-the-city rate on condition the Vista Heights customers would not be charged less than the city system's patrons served outside the city. The inside-the-city rate was offered because the Vista Heights district would have to pump the water through much of its system.
The water district is still interested in buying Salem water produced the price is not higher than it can afford to pay, W. R. Newmyer, Vista Heights commission chairman, said.

Prosecutor Request Awaits Attorney-General's Return

Further executive department action on a request for designation of a special prosecutor to conduct the investigation of the Marion county court's auditing procedure of past years will await the return of Attorney General I. H. VanWinkle, who is in California. Acting Governor Robert M. Duncan announced yesterday.
"Due to the absence of the attorney general, who must approve the appointment, the matter is being held up," the acting state executive explained.
Duncan's statement followed a series of conferences with District Attorney Lyle J. Page, members of the Marion county court and Francis E. Marsh, McMinnville attorney who was appointed assistant attorney general last February to direct the grand jury investigation of the county treasurer's office here.
"Members of the county court

Explosive Rained On China Capital

CHUNGKING, China, July 7-(P)—Repercussion from Japanese bombs blew in doors of the British gunboat Falcon and kicked up water over its lower deck today when the invaders ushered in the second anniversary of the Chinese-Japanese war with a moonlight air raid on the Chinese capital.
Four bombs exploded near the Yangtze river anchorage of the 400-ton Falcon and others fell near the United States gunboat Tutulla, but the latter was undamaged.
Additional explosives narrowly missed the residences of United States Ambassador Nelson T. Johnson and Embassy Counselor Willis R. Peck and the Canadian hotel mission, where more than a score of foreigners are quartered.
The raid, carried out by five successive flights of warplanes, caused 50 casualties among celebrating Chinese who heard a message from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek that the war probably would be decided within the next 12 months.
Chiang Kai-Shek told his people the enemy "already has dug his own grave and it remains for us only to push him in; our enemy is making a last struggle and we may now inflict the most severe and final blow."

Daughter of Film Magnate Is Jailed

LOS ANGELES, July 7-(P)—Calling her a "spoiled child," Municipal Judge Byron J. Walters today sentenced Arlyne Sherman, 22, daughter of Harry Sherman, film producer, to serve six months in jail.
Miss Sherman pleaded guilty February 8 to charges of driving without a license and other traffic violations. She was fined \$250, which she paid, and as a condition of probation was instructed to have a psychiatrist examine her.
Tearfully she told the court today her mother, Mrs. Lillian Sherman, divorced from the film producer, is traveling in the east and her father refused to advance her the \$50 examination fee.
Miss Sherman's lawyer filed notice of appeal, but she went to jail.

Youthful Chemist Is Cyanide Victim

PORTLAND, July 7-(P)—Coroner R. M. Erwin said today an autopsy showed Delbert Nelson, Jr., 21, Portland, died of cyanide poisoning.
The youth was found Thursday unconscious in the yard at his home. A student of chemistry, he had a well equipped laboratory in the basement. He had intended to enter Oregon State college next fall.
De Valera Due in Fall
DUBLIN, July 7-(P)—Prime Minister Eamon De Valera tonight announced he would arrive in the United States Sept. 23 for a visit replacing the one cancelled last spring.
Pensions for Indians
WASHINGTON, July 7-(P)—Senator Hayden (D-Ariz.) proposed today extension of social security benefits to all Indians.

Midwest, South Are Worst Hit By Heat Perils

Iowa and Ohio Each Have Five Dead as Mercury Hits new Highs

Thunder Showers to End hot Spell in Midwest Is Prediction

(By The Associated Press)
Collar-wetting heat plagued most of the nation yesterday.
Thermometer watchers in scores of communities in New England, the east, the south and the middle and southwest saw the mercury columns begin an early ascent and rise into the high 80's or 90's by lunch time.
Twenty-seven deaths were attributed to the abnormal warmth but forecasters predicted thunder showers moving eastward across the prairie states and shifts in the wind would bring relief to the Midwest overnight and today and to states farther east during the weekend.
Most of New England sweltered for the fourth successive day. No break in the hot spell was expected there until Sunday. Augusta, Me., reported a reading of 95 at noon. That was only slightly higher than temperatures recorded in other cities in Massachusetts, Vermont and New York state.
Parts of Midwest Cooled by Rain
Rain refreshed sections of Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota and the Dakotas. It was somewhat cooler in that region in the wake of conditions so oppressive that 17 steers dropped dead in a feed yard at Papillion, Neb. Topeka, Kas., reported 109 before rain checked the mercury's ascent.
The breeze veered from south to southeast and the temperature dropped from 88 to 82 in one hour at the University of Chicago observatory but, farther west at the municipal airport, it rose to 92. It was estimated approximately 300,000 Chicagoans took refuge along the lake shore. The early arrivals replaced a "night shift" of hundreds who had slept in the open.
Readings around the 90 degree level were numerous in the south although showers afforded a respite, to some districts. Sarasota, Fla., reported a 24-hour rainfall of 6.46 inches. St. Petersburg, Fla., was drenched by a 3.58 inch downpour. Youngsters enjoyed swimming and boating in some streams.
Deaths by states included: Iowa 5, Ohio 5, Wisconsin 3, Illinois 4, Minnesota 2, Michigan 3, Missouri 1, Massachusetts 1, Indiana 1, Kansas 1.
The 101 at Springfield, Ill., was the hottest since Aug. 26, 1936. The 92 at Champaign, Ill., was the season's peak. Louisville's 91.5 was only a degree and a half above the current summer's record.