EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

The Weather

Generally fair today and Friday; fog on the coast and scattered thunderstorms.

Max. temp. 99, min. 52; riv. er -3.8 ft., north wind.

Legion Conclave Swings Into Full Stride

It's Warm Here Fog May Come To Aid Fight On Coast Fire

Weary Fighters Hopeful; Rich Siuslaw Forest Defense Planned

Coast Range Residents, Vacationists, Flee Menacing Flames

PORTLAND, Aug. 9. - (P) - A forecast of fog on the coast gave weary fire fighters slight hope today as they doggedly fought against continued spread to the south of fires on the North Oregon coast range.

A searing August sun and deadly high winds gave impetus to the flames during the day, and elaborate plans were made to defend the rich Siuslaw forest from the 20,_ 000 - acre - plus Saddle mountain conflagration.

Ray Headley of Washington. D. C., chief of the forest service fire control, ordered barriers constructed along the northern reaches of the Siuslaw forest. Equipment was mobilized for trail and road construction.

Blind Cabin ranger station and the 14-building Yambill Log and Lumber company's camp No. 2 were destroyed today. Heavy log. ging machinery was moved out ahead of the flames.

The fire was crowding in on a 20,000,000-foot stand of virgin fighters reaching Cherry Grove at noon said. Many families fled. Six Persons Are

Reported Stranded Summer homes were menaced and one shingle plant was reported destroyed by the 12,000-acre Dutch canyon fire. Thirty-five families evacuated homes and took refuge in green atfalfa and corn fields. Fighters saved the

Six persons, two of them women, were reported stranded late today on a quarter_acre island in the heart of the fire.

Fire wardens, who dispatched emergency crews to the Pumpkin Ridge road vicinity, identified the endangered forest dwellers as the "Miller family."

The family kept vigil all day over two horses, a barn, cabin and small shingle mill.

The Saddle mountain blaze was reported within 11 miles of Tillamook, coastal Oregon city, after spreading to the west. Hasty backfiring saved the Converse-Hick-

man Logging camp last night. The Eisie blaze along Wolf creek was still burning brightly but under control.

Vacationists were abandoning sections of the Trask and Wilson

No material damage was done by fires that burned near the west Honeycut Leaves

city limits of Portland. Washington Lucky With few Fires Despite continued high temper-

atures and dry forests, Washington had comparatively few fires today and none were large.

Loggers and their families fled

three summer cabins which were

burned. The families set up camp

on the beach near Port Angeles.

About 100 CCC men were fighting

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NP Train Kills

the blaze.

Two fires near the seacoast at Grays and Willapa harbors were out of control and threatening green timber and summer homes. plus-300 acre fire in the Colum-

Sheriff Burk issued a statebia national forest near Willard. Wash., and another half a mile from the Olympic national forest were only partially controlled. The fire near the national for- said he was undecided about the est was three miles wide and a appointment of a successor. mile long, but firefighters brought it under control late today. J. M. Gibson, operator of the Deep tigations during his tenure as 1936 Bilbo backed Conner against

Football in South SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9-(A)-An all-star grid team from Texas—minus two of its outstanding men-held a workout today in preparation for a bat-

But They'll Play

tle with the Treasure Island all-stars here next Saturday There were 23 in the visiting delegation which arrived earlier today. Ki Aldrich and I. B. Gale, center and tackle respectively from Texas Christian, left the group at Los Angeles when ordered to report in Chicago to

there later this month. Aldrich and Hale, along with Roland Young, Oklahoma end who will play here, were prominently mentioned on all-American teams.

prepare for an all-star game

The visitors will line up against a team chosen principally from employes on Treasure Island-site of the Golden Gate international expositionwhich includes former grid stars from universities in California, Oregon and Washington.

US, France Make

Interested in Matters of **Business There**

(P) - United States and French representations declaring an in-TOKYO, Aug. 10-(Thursday)fecting China were authoritatively reported today to have been proceedings. made to Japan.

foreign office spokesman A foreign office spokesman said Japan was unequivocally opposed to including third powers in the Anglo-Japanese conversations which have been under way here since the middle of July to settle problems growing out of the blockade of Tientsin foreign concessions.

It was believed by observers that the question of considering third powers in the conference was proving to be a new stumbling block to early resumption of the negotiations.

British Ambassador Sir Robert Craigie has been awaiting further instructions from his government, which has insisted it could not agree to Japan's demands to drop support of the Chinese national currency because other powers were concerned.

On the other hand the foreign office spokesman declared "Japan will not yield her position that economic questions are solely between Britain and Japan. We cannot support any opinion (Turn to page 2, col. 8)

Sheriff's Force primary.

B. G. Honeycut, deputy sheriff here since early 1935, turned over his badge, credentials and keys to Sheriff A. C. Burk at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. "Any statement is up to the boss," Honeycut said.

ment saying the deputy, who has yesterday's vote, but in an August been in charge of criminal work, had "asked for and received an indefinite leave of absence." He several important criminal inves- The ironical twist was that in Creek Logging company near deputy, said he would remain in Harrison for the senatorial nomination.

Que. ed Again On Testimony

Portland Officer Won't Say He Asked That Thorme Testify

Anonymous Letter From 'Gang' Threatening Him Revealed

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.-(AP) The Harry Bridges deportation hearing recessed in a flurry of challenges on the testimony of Captain John J. Keegan tonight, as the witness declined to identify as his the signature on a letter purportedly sent to a chief of the Los Angeles police departof the Los Angeles police depart-ment asking an interview with a maintain strict neutrality—with arms if necessary. prospective witness here.

The Portland, Ore., officer, who shortly before had declared he had received an anonymous questioned repeatedly regarding any European outbreak. Claims in China day and which the defense sought testimony given earlier in the to show was at variance with material in copies of other letters borders. Japan Told Third Powers read into the records. It was indicated he would be

called to the stand again tomor-

Keegan, gray-haired and handsome, said he did not recall hav-

The copy which he was asked by Defense Attorney Richard Gladstein to identify was on "flimsy" paper. Then Goldstein produced that which purportedly refused to acknowledge the signature was his and said he would ask his Portland office to see if any such original was in his files. The defense late today at- western shores. tacked Keegan's previous testi-

(Turn to page 2, col. 1) Mississippi Vote Calls for Run-off

thur James Kent, alias Scott; pro-

Johnson Leads in Demos' **Gubernatorial Primary** but Falls Short

JACKSON, Miss., Aug. 9.-(P)-A two-man runoff election with an ironical twist became assured today when tabulations showed Paul B. Johnson of Hattlesburg led a seven-man gubernatorial field but failed to gain a majority in yesterday's state democratic

Johnson, attorney and former ongressman, bore the endorsement of U. S. Senator Pheodore Bilbo and ran up 67,092 votes in unofficial returns from 1,227 to Dictation by US 1,660 precincts, well ahead of former Governor Mike Sennett

Conner at 50,129. Conner had no official backing n the dull campaign preceding 29 runoff for the nominationtantamount to election in oneparty Mississippi-was expected to have the active support of Senior Senator Pat Harrison and The big Texan, identified with his ally, Governor Hugh White.

Coast Lumber Sabotage Plot Eyed in String of Blazes

Temperatures were high again in Oregon. Portland got 97, Med-Chief William Fitzgerald revealed dale, Deming, Forks and Selleck. tonight authorities had been in- Wash. vestigating what they believed to be a coastwide sabotage plot di-rected against the lumber indus-the work of an organized ring

He blamed today's \$55,000 fire Pair at Yakima here, which destroyed the Pankratz Lumber company and damaged two adjoining industrial YAKIMA, Aug. 9.-(P)-Hurled 69 feet through the air when plants, on a "firebug ring operating up the entire coast from Calitheir truck was struck by a fornia to Washington." Northern Pacific passenger train at a crossing in Yakima today, Theodore E. Slagle, 22 of Selah was instantly killed and Jess M.

Fitzgerald said he based his belief that the Seattle fire was incendiary on the fact the plant was

was instantly killed and Jess M. Byerley, 46, also of Selah was attachman discovered it. The two men were tastly injured. Byerley died in three different places when a watchman discovered it. Thousands of collars worth of property has been destroyed during the last month in fires in seven washington cities. Last Simulate when it was struck by the was struck by the Eastern Railway and Lumber compressor which was struck by the Eastern Railway and Lumber compressor motor.

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Other fires occurred at Golden-

"It is the belief of fire chiefs of saboteurs, who for some unexplained reason, are directing their attacks on the lumber, as Workers Alliance in each of the fires a mill is involved," Fitzgerald said. An entire business block a

Wenatchee was destroyed today by fire, with damage estimated at \$200,000. Fire Chief H. W. Bryson said he believed the blaze started from a hardware store's

Fires Raging Unab ted Threat of new Crisis Viewed Crisis Viewed In Yugoslavia

Reports Say Country Refuses Axis Upon Neutrality Stand

Germany and Italians to Be Informed of Decision Today

(By the Associated Press) The threat of a crisis from a new direction bobbed up in Europe last night when it was learned on highest authority that Yugoslavia had refused flatly Italian and German demands for "benevolent" neutrality in case

Belgrade informants said Premier Dragisha Cvetkovich would fly from the Yugoslav capital today to tell Italian leaders that. his country was determined to

The German and Italian demands, reported to have been made "unofficially," called for Yugoslavia to promise to place letter saying a waterfront gang her railroads at the disposal of planned to "dump" him, was the axis powers in the event of the axis powers in the event of If the demands were granted,

the axis powers would have access to Rumanian and Bulgarian Here is how Yugoslavia fits into the European picture: On the north she is bounded by Italy, Germany and Hungary,

partners in the anti-comintern To the east is Rumania, whose rich oil and wheat fields have fig. that James Thorme, communist ured largely in Adolf Hitler's dreams of drang nacht osten-

drive to the east Her southeastern neighbor t Bulgaria, who has not yet lined up definitely with either of Europe's opposing camps.

On the south is Greece, holder a guarantee of independence was a photostatic copy. Keegan from Britain, and Albania, the little Adriatic kingdom Italy conquered with a Good Friday invasion last April. The narrow Adriatic washes her

Meanwhile, against a back mony that he did not know Ar- ground of feverish continental preparations for an autum showdown, nazis in Danzig an nounced Albert Forster, their party district leader, would answer to night what one spokesman termed "the unbelievable threat

> of Poles to shoot Danzig down with cannon." Nazis in the Free City sudden. ly arranged a mass meeting for Forster's address following his return from a visit to Adolf Hitler at Berchtesgaden.

Poland's preparedness for a possible new "period of crisis" late this month was indicated by reports that no leaves of absence would be granted in the Polish army after Aug. 15.

The Polish telegraph agency reported a Polish frontier guard shot at and apparently wounded one of three German soldiers who crossed the frontier of northern Pomorze (the Polish Corridor) last Sunday night.

Agency Resented

A demand by the federal security administration that the state treasurer's office discharge employe who handles funds for the state unemployment comnsation commission, brought protests from members of the state board of control Wednes-

day.

The federal security administration telegraphed that the employe must be replaced by person of its choice. Governor Charles A. Sprague said the present employe was competent and should remain on the treasurer's payroll. Ralph Campbell, attorney for the unemployment compensation

commission, was told to draft a telegram to the federal security administrator conveying the protests of the board of control. "I'll sign the telegram," Gov-

To Fight Orders

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9-(A)-The night a national campaign in behalf of what the alliance said was electric compressor motor.

Fitzgerald said battalion fire chiefs visited every lumber plant der requiring a furlough after 18

40-8 BRINGS WAR-SCARRED MARNE TAXI





'To the Marne" went above now-battered Paris taxicab 25 years ago; "On to Salem" and the 40 et 8 society grand promenade it came yesterday bearing members of Portland volture 25, its proud owner. Pictured left to right are B. E. "Kelly" Owens, chef de gare of Marion voiture 153; "Scotty" Fraser, Grand Conducteur Danny Robinson (seated) and Carl Moser, legion department adjutant, all of voiture 25; Dr. Ben F. Pound (seated), Hugh Resson and Dr. V. E. Hockett, Marion voiture; Rex B. Parelius, voiture 25, and Irl S. McSherry, Marion voiture. Below, left to right, Col. Carle Ab. rams, Salem, Ralph Ward, Max "Pickles" Goldstaub and Charles Dussler, Portland, attend to convention registrations.

out of Line When He

Refused Arrest

That Officer Lou Burgess was

dicated yesterday he would place

in the hands of city councilmen.

Kruger appeared before the

council Monday night and asked

action of a sort not specified be-

cause the policeman had refused

a complaint against the man in

question, the latter replied he

would not do such a thing," Chief

know with any certainty whether

bits of wire which the man had

to arrest the man.

Salem Policeman Plaza at Capitol Building Planned Upheld in Report

Marble Flagstones Will Officer Burgess Held not Be Used, Board of Control Decides

Travertine m a r b l e flagstones will grace the formal garden guilty of no violation of normal walks in the plaza fronting the police procedure when he failed new capitol and library build- recently to arrest a man whom ings, the state board of control de- Edward C. Kruger, 1415 North

Bid of a Portland firm to sup- thievery around his premises, was ply the material for \$627, or 11 the burden of a report which port. cents a square foot delivered, was Chief of Police Frank A. Minto inaccepted after George Otten, state highway department landscape engineer, reported it would be ideal from the standpoint of developing a garden appropriate as a setting for the marble capitol

exceptionally low, was made possible by the fact that the company offering the marble had it as material rejected, because of vari. ations in thickness, for use in the Minto said. Since there was insuf- starting last Saturday at Albany apitol corridors.

Flat rock from the Stayton quarry was considered but found not available in sufficient quantities up to the specifications required for a formal garden, Otten told the board.

Pastor's Daughter

vestigators seeking to trap the slayer of Wanda Dwosecki, 17year-old minister's daughter found strangled in a muddy lane two days ago, revealed tonight they were following a lead that was 'plenty hot."

We know who we're after, but we don't know when it will break," Larry C. Doran, chief of Camden county detectives declared upon his return from a sixhour stay in Chester, Pa.

Staged Today Oregon Air Tour Ships to Land at 10, Show at 1:30, City Field

Air Thriller

The Salem municipal airport is expected to draw the greatest field. rival of more that 70 airplanes and band contests, Seventh Infancrowd in its history today with arcomprising the 1939 Oregon Air try exhibition, Sweetland field. tour and presentation of the tour's stunt circus, one of the prime features of the American Legion department convention.

The Marion county legion host posts are prepared to park 14,000 automobiles near the airport grounds free of charge. Admis-sion to the air show will be free to holders of official convention

registrations. The amateur and professional birdmen will begin dropping out of the sky at 10 a.m. in craft ranging from tiny "flivver" planes to speedy, costly sport ships and Boeing-247 luxury liner, flagship of the tour. The ships will go on nspection at 10:30.

Preceding the show, airport-goers will dine between 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the legion barbecue King Bartlett of Salem and a crew of two dozen assistants.

Promptly at 1:30 a demonstration of aircraft maneuvers and About 15 "goofs" were to underspectacular stunts and parachute go the initiatory rites. work such as, tour leaders claim, has never before been seen at the the 40 et 8 were to be selected Salem field. Ace of aces, Oregon's subject to assured confirmation at own Tex Rankin and his crew of the formal promenade this after. fliers will perform new varieties of rolls, dives, spins, loops and up- hour. Informal discussion of cansidedown flying. The same show drew thousands to Portland's sup-

er-airport last Sunday. kin's troupe include Dorothy Barden, Dick Rankin, Putnam Humphries, George Cook, Bud McCaf-Fourth street, accused of petty ferty and George Bormet.

The 1939 tour visit will bring more than 300 fliers to the air-

Air Tours Sued By Irked Flier ward France.

ALBANY, Aug. 9 .- (AP)-Arthur . Davis, eastern stunt flier, filed suit in circuit court today, asking know whether Kruger would sign action against Northwest Air a complaint against the man in Tours, Inc.

Davis complained he was engaged to take part in an air tour ficient evidence for the officer to but the contract was cancelled to the freighter with its crew wihout his consent.

Carl Curlee, tour manager, Dr. were actually the property of Kru- Paul Sharp of Klamath Falls, ger, or whether he were in truth member of the state board of guilty of other minor thefts, he aeronautics, and Allan D. Greenacted in accordance with official wood, state aeronautics inspector, policy in declining himself to sign all incorporators, were named de-the complaint."

Death Tip Found 40 et 8 Takes "Goofs" for Ride; Thousands See March

By WALLACE A. SPRAGUE Gleaming white Salem Cherians were followed in quick succession by glowering Cavemen locomotives" from Albany, Portland, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington last night as a record crowd watched mem-bers of the American Legion's 40 et 8 fun and service organization cavort through their annual

menaced their way along the streets brandishing clubs and bone weapons at members of the 40 et 8 who made bold to bring from Grants Pass and snorting them to order in their eccentric 20th century surroundings, From with club and look brought thrills of excitement and satisfaction.

Wholly different were the re-sponses of hundreds lining State

Opening Hours Busy, Full Day On Sked Today

Memorial Service. Air Circus. Business to **Highlight Events**

Distinguished Visiting Officials Join Many Fellow Members

Highlights of Legion

Convention for Today All day-Registration at headquarters on courthouse grounds; carnival; Streets of Paris; stunts, drum corps, bands on downtown

8:45 a. m .- Arrival of Seventh 9:15 a. m.-Flag raising, Seventh Infantry, courthouse square.

9:30 a. m.—Joint memorial service, Elsinore theatre. 10 a. m.—Arrival of planes in 3 air tour. Public opening ceremony

at Elsinore theatre. 11 a. m .- Parade of Legion and Auxiliary delegates from Elsinore theatre to capitol. Convention business sessions open, Legion in hall of representatives, Auxiliary

in senate chamber. 11:30 a. m .- Grand barbecue at airport. 1:30 p. m .- Air show at air.

6 p. m .- Retreat ceremony, Seventh infantry, courthouse

6:15 p. m .- Softball, Sweetland 7:30 p. m.—Junior drum corps

Crystal Gardens. m.—Auxiliary mighight matinee, Grand theatre.

9 p. m.-Convention dance,

By RALPH C. CURTIS Fulfilling earlier than was expected the promises of the comnission in charge, Salem's biggest downtown night crowd in history event of the American Legion convention, the 40 et 8 parade—a crowd containing a surprisingly large percentage of men wearing the Legion caps, indicating that members of the organization had congregated here in unprecedented numbers. The same was true of the Legion Auxiliary and 40 et 8

insignia. Another promise was fulfilled when 350 members of the 40 et 8 pit presided over by Chairman crowded into the Elks temple for the gathering of that organization, participating in the buffet supper and the "wreck" which followed.

> The caucus at which officers of noon got under way at a late

r-airport last Sunday. Famed air performers in Ran- Mid-Ocean Blaze Quenched on Ship

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BOSTON, Aug. 10 .- (Thursday) (AP)-The American freighter Pipestone County radioed early today that it had won a battle with fire that broke out in one of is holds in mid-ocean and that it had resumed its journey to-

Two coast guard cutters that had been speeding to the aid of the vessel, which reported its position as 770 miles out on the tails of the crew's battle with the

fire or of the damage caused. The cutters began their dash of 35 men after picking up radio message that said: "Fire in number four hold, Net

The 5,000-ton, 390-foot Pipestone County, commanded by Captain L. J. Nordskog and owned by the America-France line, was bound for Havre, France, with a general cargo of scrap rubber, pigs of copper, boxed machinery, oil burners and

Two Colored Newspaper Ad Salem's First

Two color newspaper print-ing makes its debut in Salem with the publication in today's Oregon Statesman of the sec-ond "bleed" advertisement for

Shell Oll company,

The innovation of two-color princing marks another important step in The Statesportant step in The States-man's program of continuing improvements in the service and facilities available to ad-

Press equipment heretofore allowed the use of black and allowed the use of black and only one color. Additional equipment was purchased and installed making two-color printing an actuality. Only recently, The Statesman had made extensive alterations of its presses to accommodate bleed advertising.