

It's All Here
Look for news of the American Legion department convention, in interesting detail and in resume, in The Oregon Statesman daily.

The Weather
Generally fair today and Friday; fog coast and scattered thunderstorms. Max. temp. 99, min. 52; riv. -3.5 ft., north wind.

EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

Legion Conclave Swings Into Full Stride

Fires Raging Unabated

Fog May Come To Aid Fight On Coast Fire

Weary Fighters Hopeful; Rich Siuslaw Forest Defense Planned
Coast Range Residents, Vacationists, Flee Menacing Flames

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It's Warm Here But They'll Play Football in South

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—(AP)—An all-star grid team from Texas—minus two of its outstanding men—held a workout today in preparation for a battle with the Treasure Island all-stars here next Saturday night.

US, France Make Claims in China

TOKYO, Aug. 10.—(Thursday)—United States and French representations declaring an interest in economic questions affecting China were authoritative reported today to have been made to Japan.

Honeycut Leaves Sheriff's Force

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.

Coast Lumber Sabotage Plot Eyed in String of Blazes

SEATTLE, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Fire Chief William Fitzgerald revealed tonight that authorities had been investigating what he believed to be a coastwide sabotage plot directed against the lumber industry.

Keegan to Be Quoted Again On Testimony

PORTLAND OFFICER WON'T SAY HE ASKED THAT THORNE TESTIFY

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 signature on a letter purportedly sent to a chief of the Los Angeles police department asking an interview with a prospective witness here.

Mississippi Vote Calls for Run-off

JACKSON, Miss., Aug. 9.—(AP)—A woman who had assured today when tabulations showed Paul B. Johnson of Hattiesburg led a seven-man gubernatorial field but failed to gain a majority in yesterday's state democratic primary.

Workers Alliance To Fight Orders

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—The Workers Alliance announced tonight a national campaign in behalf of what the alliance said was 650,000 WPA workers who would be dropped because of the new order requiring a furlough after 18 months on relief rolls.

Threat of new 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 of war.

Belgrade informants said Premier Dragisa Cvetkovich would fly from the Yugoslav capital today to tell Italian leaders that his country was determined to maintain strict neutrality—with arms if necessary.

The German and Italian demands, reported to have been made "unofficially," called for Yugoslavia to promise to place her railroads at the disposal of the axis powers in the event of any European outbreak.

Here is how Yugoslavia fits into the European picture. On the north she is bounded by Italy, Germany and Hungary, partners in the anti-communist pact.

To the east is Rumania, whose rich oil and wheat fields have figured largely in Adolf Hitler's dreams of drang nach Osten—drive to the east.

Her southeastern neighbor is Bulgaria, who has not yet lined up definitely with either of Europe's opposing camps.

On the south is Greece, holder of a guarantee of independence from Britain, and Albania, the little Adriatic kingdom Italy conquered with a Good Friday invasion last April.

The narrow Adriatic washes her western shores. Meanwhile, against a background of feverish continental preparations for an autumn showdown, nazis in Danzig announced Albert Forster, their party district leader, would answer tonight to 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.

40-8 BRINGS WAR-SCARRED MARNE TAXI



The Salem municipal airport is expected to draw the greatest crowd in its history today with arrival of more than 70 airplanes comprising the 1939 Oregon Air 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. Admission 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 a Boeing-247 luxury liner, flagship of the tour. The ships will go on inspection at 10:30.

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

Promptly at 1:30 a demonstration of aircraft maneuvers and spectacular stunts and parachute work such as tour leaders claim, has never before been seen at the Salem field.

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By WALLACE A. SPRAGUE
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ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 9.—(AP)—A coordinating committee representing seven fishermen's unions today asked canners to meet with it Friday and reconsidered the \$160 a ton demand for tuna. Packers offered \$90 a ton.

Opening Hours Busy, Full Day On Sked Today

Memorial Service, Air Circus, Business to Highlight Events

Highlights of Legion Convention for Today
All day—Registration at headquarters of courthouse grounds; carnival, street parade, stunts, drum corps, bands on downtown streets.

8:45 a. m.—Arrival of Seventh Infantry.
9:15 a. m.—Flag raising, Seventh Infantry, courthouse square.
9:30 a. m.—30 min. memorial service, Elsinore theatre.

10 a. m.—Arrival of planes in 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 airport.
2 p. m.—Retreat ceremony, Seventh Infantry, courthouse square.

6:15 p. m.—Softball, Sweetland field.
7:30 p. m.—Junior drum corps and band contests, Seventh Infantry exhibition, Sweetland field.
8 p. m.—Convention dance, Crystal Gardens.
11 p. m.—Auxiliary midnight matinee, Grand theatre.

By RALPH C. CURTIS
Fulfilling earlier than was expected the promise of the commission in charge, Salem's biggest downtown night crowd in history turned out for the opening public 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.

Mid-Ocean Blaze Quenched on Ship
BOSTON, Aug. 10.—(Thursday)—The American freighter Pipestone County radiored early today that it had won a battle with fire that broke out in one of its holds in mid-ocean and that it had resumed its journey toward France.

Two Colored Newspaper Ad Salem's First
Two color newspaper printing makes its debut in Salem with the publication in today's Oregon Statesman of the second "bleed" advertisement for Shell Oil company.

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The innovation of two-color printing marks another important step in the Statesman's program of continuing improvements in the service and facilities available to advertisers.

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Press equipment heretofore 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.

Air Thriller Staged Today

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

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Plaza at Capitol Building Planned

Marble Flagstones Will Be Used, Board of Control Decides

Travertine marble flagstones will grace the formal garden walks in the plaza fronting the new capitol and library buildings, the state board of control decided yesterday.

The bid, which Otten said was exceptionally low, was made possible by the fact that the company offering the marble had it in material rejected, because of variations in thickness, for use in the capitol corridors.

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Salem Policeman Upheld in Report

Officer Burgess Held Not out of Line When He Refused Arrest

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