

Ferry Strike End Looms at Seattle

Puget Sound Navigation Company Announces Agreement Made

SEATTLE, Aug. 23.—(P)—Officials of the Puget Sound Navigation company announced shortly after 9 p.m. tonight settlement of the strike which has paralyzed ferry service on the sound for 23 days.

The announcement followed a lengthy conference between leaders of the Inland Boatmen's union and company officials. They said all matters of working conditions and wages would be submitted to a board of arbitration, with each party agreeing to abide by the verdict.

Capt. John M. Fox, division secretary of the union, said the accord is subject to approval by the membership, but the union's negotiating committee would recommend ratification.

Three hundred members of the Boatmen's union were on strike. An estimated 10,000 Puget Sound commuters were caught with only improvised means of water transportation during the prolonged deadlock.

Sixteen ferry runs of the Black Ball line were involved in the shutdown.

The company announcement said the ferry Kalakala would start for Bremerton at 6:30 a.m.

Light Rains, Fog, Aid Fire Fighters

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determine the principal danger points on Saddle mountain. The fire broke out August 2 in the Connahee logging operations 14 miles northwest of Forest Grove. It entered the Siuslaw protective region, penetrated the Trask and Wilson river watersheds, destroyed logging equipment and homes and now threatening to join the Wolf creek fire.

After a three-day battle, fire fighters from the northeastern Oregon fire patrol headquarters smothered the 1000-acre Glass hill flames.

Silver Lining Is Seen by Hop Men

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will be counted early in September.

Contract prices ranged from 20 to 25 cents a pound on regular hops and 24-27 cents on seedless. That narrow fluctuation and the similarly narrow one last year after war market control got under way, were new in the notoriously erratic hop market. So unstable has this commodity been that many jokes have been poked at it, linking the hop with the skip and jump of the price.

Takes Second Sailing

COQUILLE, Aug. 23.—(P)—Two-year-old Donald Stockhoff was back in the hospital today recovering from a second plunge into scalding water. He first fell into the tub last winter.

Nazi-Soviet Pact Casts Shadow Over Europe



Possibility of a fourth partition of Poland, which has been defying Germany on the Danzig and Polish corridor questions, was presaged by the projected Russian-German non-aggression pact. This map shows the territorial origins of the partitions. Speculation was that the soviet might regain Bessarabia; Bulgaria take the Dobruja territory; Hungary regain Transylvania, and Russia take the Baltic states. Italy, already with a non-aggression pact with Russia, has claims on the Dalmatian coast.

Fir Flagpoles Good Enough for Oregon

Decree of Emergency Board Backs Home Products So \$6000 for Bronze Staffs Is Denied

Oregon fir poles are good enough to hoist flags on in front of the new capitol building, the state emergency board decreed yesterday.

The board rejected a proposed \$6000 appropriation for bronze flagpoles and instead allowed \$500 for the fir flagpoles.

Landscaping Fund Lopped

Other capitol grounds requests were likewise cut out. Rejected

The board approved expenditure of \$165 for installing sliding controls on the legislative chamber curtain fixtures.

Duncan new Chairman

Robert M. Duncan, president of the state senate, was elected chairman of the board and Senator Dean Walker, Independence, was named secretary.

Edward F. Main Dies at Age 88

INDEPENDENCE — Edward Franklin Main, age 88, an 11-year resident of Independence, passed away at the home of his son, Charles, Wednesday afternoon.

He is survived by three other children. Funeral services will be held from the Smith-Baun Funeral parlors Friday, August 25, at 10 a. m. Rev. William Mahon of the First Presbyterian church will officiate.

Interment will be in the IOOF cemetery.

Landing in Oily Water

Fatal to 23 Wood Ducks

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—(P)—Twenty-three gaily plumaged wood ducks have lost their lives in an oil spill near Portland storage tanks.

Stanley G. Jewett, biological survey, reported the wild fowl were trapped when they took shelter in a willow thicket near the river.

Another in order to inform each other regarding questions of common interests.

"Article four—Neither of the high contracting parties will associate itself with any other grouping of powers which directly or indirectly is aimed at the other party.

"Article five—In the event of a conflict between the contracting parties concerning any question, the two parties will adjust this difference or conflict exclusively by friendly exchange of opinions or, if necessary, by an arbitration commission.

"Article six—The present treaty will extend for a period of ten years with the condition that if neither of the contracting parties announces its abrogation within one year of expiration of this period, it will continue in force automatically for another period of five years.

"Article seven—The present treaty shall be ratified within the shortest possible time. The exchange of ratification documents shall take place in Berlin. The treaty becomes effective immediately upon signature.

"Drawn up in two languages, German and Russian.

"Moscow, 23rd of August, 1939. (Signed)

"For the German government Ribbentrop,

In the name of the government of the USSR Molotov."

55 Sheep Kill Selves

After Cat Attacks One

ELLENBURG, Aug. 23.—(P)—Frank Reed, federal hunter, was searching the hills north of Kittitas valley today for a cougar that killed 56 sheep with one blow.

The mountain cat knocked down one sheep—the 55 others died in a pile-up when the hand stamped.

Klamath Horses Ill

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 23.—(P)—Nine horses have died and 25 to 30 others have been stricken by a sleeping sickness in Klamath county. Approximately 500 animals have been given vaccine.

Dutch Recall Vessel

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 23.—(P)—The Dutch steamer, Simon Bolivar, cruising in Scandinavian waters with 200 holiday passengers, was recalled tonight because of the tense international situation.

Mount Victoria's Crest Is Gained

Two Mountaineers Tell Thrill of Standing on Remote Peak

VANCOUVER, B.C., Aug. 23.—(CP)—Arthur Dalton and Percy Easthope, both in their 50's today described the "thrill" of accomplishing the first recorded climb of 7,452-foot Mount Victoria at the head of Jervis inlet about 100 miles north of Vancouver.

They made the climb last Thursday.

"When we got to the top Easthope and I shook hands," Dalton said. "I felt like hugging him."

"We placed a small glass vial containing the date, our signatures, weather conditions and a photograph of King George and Queen Elizabeth and also a photograph of 80 Vancouver children in a group, in a safe place on the summit," he said.

Dalton and Easthope made a previous attempt to climb the peak in 1932 but were turned back by a dangerous snow ridge. They crossed this ridge in their climb last week.

It took them four hours to reach the summit from their base camp which they established at the foot of the peak after a three-day hike from the head of Jervis inlet.

Both men have been members of parties which have made first ascents of many peaks in British Columbia's Coast range.

Oddities in the News

ELIZABETH, N.J., Aug. 23.—(P)—Because he committed a "technical assault and battery" in hanging heavy iron chains on the ankles of two "teen-age wayward sons to keep them home and out of trouble, Joseph Naturlie, 48-year old grave digger, was put on probation for a year today.

Four minor children were taken out of the Naturlie home after a "Modern Black Hole of Calcutta" by Judge Henry S. Waldman—and put in charge of the state board of children's guardians.

The father, explaining he put the chains on the boys to impede but not prevent their walking, said "I did it in an effort to shame them into staying home."

WICHITA, Kas., Aug. 23.—(P)—Ralph Baker, 65, whose misinterpretation of a signal from his commanding officer in the Spanish-American war reputedly caused him to start the battle of San Juan hill, died today.

Baker, a substitute bugler, blew the call to charge July 1, 1898, sending waiting American troops up the hill to victory. The incident was brought to light more than a year ago by John Schoenboard, historian of the Parsons, Kas., Spanish-American war Veterans camp.

Baker, who lived at Parsons, was a captain during the World war.

Democrat Swats GOP 'Swallowing' Of Pension Plan

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—(P)—Rep. Robert Ramspeck (D-Ga.) told democrats here today republicans gained strength in the house at the last session of congress "very largely by swallowing the Townsend plan."

Ramspeck said many failed to vote for the retirement plan and "some of the boys are going to have to do a lot of explaining back home."

He asserted it was the difficult role of a congressman to "sit on the fence and keep both ears on the ground," predicted a demand for changes in the neutrality law if war broke out in Europe; favored leaving foreign affairs in the hands of the president and state department, and opposed elimination of WPA workers employed continuously for 18 months.

Hospital Lockup Recommended by Portland Police

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—(P)—Three lock emergency wards were authorized by the city council today for ill or injured prisoners.

The action followed Saturday's gunfight at the Good Samaritan hospital where Allen Brumfield, alias Helen Presley, a convict, killed a nurse and wounded a doctor and officer.

Police Chief Harry Niles reported one major hospital had declined to accept prisoners as patients.

Baker County Sportsmen Back Cow Elk Season

BAKER, Aug. 23.—(P)—The Baker county sportsmen's association endorsed the state game commission's open season on cow elk today. Commissioner George Allen, Ontario, answering complaints western Oregon has been favored, explained 284 tags were issued east of the Cascades compared with 116 in the west.

Sawmill for Linnton

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—(P)—Construction of a \$100,000 sawmill to employ 75 men was announced today by the West Oregon Lumber company. The new Linnton operation will be confined to small stuff not produced by big rig equipment at the main plant.

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Coordinator for Salem's Schools

Walter E. Snyder, elected by Salem school board Tuesday night to fill new position of curriculum coordinator. He's now principal of La Grande high school.

Key Spokesmen Broadcast Today

Radio Waves to Be Full of European Matters as Leaders Talk

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—(P)—Radio talks by key figures in the European crisis will be heard throughout tomorrow from Pacific radio stations.

British Prime Minister Chamberlain's speech before the special session of parliament will be broadcast by both networks of the National Broadcasting company from 5:45 a. m. to 6:30 a. m. (PST). A transcript of the address will be re-broadcast over blue network (KGO, KECA, KFSD) at 9:45 a. m.

Both NBC networks and mutual broadcasting system will carry a ten-minute address by British Foreign Secretary Halifax beginning at 12:30 p. m.

Between 6:30 and 7 p. m. Senator Gerald P. Nye will talk on "Neutrality and Foreign Affairs" over the NBC blue network, and the same channel will carry a transcript of the European situation from London at 7:45 p. m.

Englishman Here Discusses Events

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strengthened their cellars as a precaution.

But Hitler's bombers will raid England only once, if at all, in Lord's opinion, because "not over a third of his planes would get back home."

"We're Ready," Says

England's coasts are patrolled day and night, he emphasized, "and you can bet we're ready for them."

War "sooner or later" is expected but it's the visitor's "personal opinion it will not be everybody's war."

Economic as well as military adversaries menace the German dictator, Land declared, explaining that "what Hitler has done is a capital expenditure and it is not made productive he's ruining his country."

Business and employment in England were reported "good." While wages are not particularly high "compared to your men—my carpenters, brick masons and electricians receive about a third less—the cost of living is lower."

Comments Unions

Although a strike of railway engineers and firemen is now threatening, the visitor ventured the statement that "in England grievances are largely settled by the unions" and the English working man "is not harassed so much" by labor troubles "as you are."

Mr. Land arrived in New York August 13 "to visit the fair," saw one there, then flew west to see his brother. They left by auto yesterday on a quick trip to the San Francisco fair. Returning here Monday he will take a plane for the east where he will board ship for home next Wednesday.

R. W. Land came to the northwest in 1913 when he was 12 years old and stayed. He has returned to England once on a visit.

Keystone, Montana Is Safe From Fire

SUPERIOR, Mont., Aug. 23.—(P)—The tiny community of Keystone, about 10 miles north of Superior, was populated again tonight after a roaring grass fire last night had made it a deserted village.

The fire, thought due to a match or cigarette tossed from a passing car, started near United States highway No. 10 and spread over 20 acres of grazing land toward Keystone. It was controlled by 250 CCC enrollees.

Missouri Club Meets

The Salem Missouri club will hold its monthly meeting at 246 1/2 North Commercial street at 7:30 o'clock Friday night, according to J. L. Cutler, president.

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France Puts Two Classes in Arms

Almost two Million Troops Partially Mobilized in Empire Force

PARIS, Aug. 24.—(Thursday)—(P)—Posters calling two French classes to arms were plastered on government buildings early today as France increased her empire forces to almost 2,000,000 men in a partial mobilization against a feared clash with Germany.

Announcement that a German-soviet Russian non-aggression pact had been signed in Moscow caused deep pessimism in France.

Government sources had said prior to the Moscow announcement that signing of the pact would make it "almost impossible to avoid war over Germany's Danzig claims."

Requisitioned taxis early today in Paris carried "bucket brigades" to various government buildings where they posted up the posters. Automobiles and trucks also were requisitioned.

The first to be posted were the requisition orders which read: "The right of requisition is opened in the commune of Paris beginning Thursday, the 24th of August, 1939, at zero hour."

Little knots of early morning home goers dearly read the posters. They winced, then made their way home darkly mindful of the repetition of the exhausting death struggle of 1914-1918.

A few wept in the rain-washed streets.

French government officials had clung to the hope the German-soviet pact would not be signed but would drag into endless negotiations.

France took no chances.

4H Show Opening, County Building

The main floor corridor of the Marion county courthouse will take on the appearance of a home products shop this morning as exhibits are set up and judging begun for the advanced 4H club home economics show being conducted there today and Friday.

Exhibits will cover the club workers' projects in canning, room improvement, home making and upper division clothing.

The show canning judging contest will be held at the courthouse a 1 o'clock Friday afternoon and the style revue at 2:30. Winners of these contests will exhibit at the state fair.

State Sets new Gas Use Record

Gasoline consumption in Oregon during July aggregated 25,264,032 gallons, the largest for any month in the history of the state, Secretary of State Earl Snell announced here yesterday.

Tax collections on gasoline sales during July totaled \$1,263,201.64, an increase of \$121,082.29 over that in July, 1938.

For the first seven months of this year the gasoline consumption aggregated 134,089,419 gallons compared to 126,485,864 gallons for the same period in 1938.

Tax collections this year amounted to \$6,703,471.03 as against \$6,324,293.30 last year.

Youth Tries Purse Snatching, Hotel Looting at Fiesta

INDEPENDENCE (Special)—A youthful purse snatcher unsuccessfully attempted to take several purses at Independence Tuesday night while crowds thronged the streets to witness the closing of the queen contest for the Hop Fiesta and attend the street dance.

The boy, about 15 years old, after failing to get 15 purses, went to a local hotel for easier loot. He was found in the room occupied by E. A. Browning, whose amusement company has a concession near the Hop Bowl.

The boy had in his possession some toilet articles taken from one of the rooms. Browning decided not to have the boy held.

Oregon State College May Get Air Courses

CORVALLIS, Aug. 23.—(P)—The Oregon State college students may be accepted for special courses this year under the civilian pilots training act, Professor B. F. Ruffner, engineering department, reported today from Washington, D. C.

Bonneville Boss



Dr. Paul J. Raver (above), of Illinois, was named power project administrator at the Bonneville, Ore., plant by Secretary Ickes. Raver is to assume his new duties September 15. He fills the vacancy created by the death of J. D. Ross.

Sidney C. Howard, Playwright, Dead

Pulitzer Prize Winner Killed by Tractor Mishap in East

TYRINGHAM, Mass., Aug. 23.—(P)—Crushed under the wheels of a tractor with which he was tinkering, Sidney C. Howard, leading American playwright and Pulitzer winner, died today on his summer estate.

The 48-year-old writer had left the tractor in gear as he cranked the motor, and it started up so suddenly he could not scramble out of its path.

Howard was outstanding as an adapter of literature to the stage and screen, as well as creator of original plays. His first play was "Swords," produced in 1921 and starring Clara Jennes Eames, of Cleveland, Ohio.

A year later he married Miss Eames, and in 1925 his serious play "They Knew What They Wanted" won the Pulitzer prize. Critics at that time hailed the play as an indication American playwrights had outgrown a "self-conscious" stage. The play was, they said, neither arty nor highbrow.

His first wife died in 1930, and in 1931 he married the daughter of Walter Damosch, New York conductor and music educator.

One of Howard's most recent successes was "The Ghost of Yankee Doodle," a play he wrote for Ethel Barrymore.

Canadian Legion At Nation's Call

VANCOUVER, Aug. 23.—(CP)—Brigadier W. W. Foster, Dominion president of the Canadian Legion, said today he had wired Prime Minister MacKenzie King, renewing the Legion's offer to place 60,000 registered war veterans at the disposal of the Dominion in time of emergency.

"In the present crisis, as in the last, the entire resources of the Canadian Legion are placed at the disposition of their country," Brigadier Foster said in an interview in which he disclosed he had sent the telegram to the prime minister.

Sixty thousand members of the Legion and sister organizations who served in the last war have already registered to insure internal security and are immediately available if required."

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