

Weather: Generally fair today; Sunday cloudy with rain. Max. temp. Friday 63, min. 39. Rain .51 in. River 4.5 feet. South wind.

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NINETYETH YEAR

In One Ear

—Paul Hauser's Column

The rummage sale season, we suppose, never ends and a man never knows when his favorite pair of old trousers, his ragged but lovable old sweater or his most comfortable shoes are going to disappear without end and will doubtless continue to suffer it. But something happened yesterday that is at least partial revenge.

There was a rummage sale yesterday, we have it from one of our agents, in which Mrs. William Anderson had a hand. Mrs. Anderson arrived early on the scene. She had other errands, however, and with her carried a package. The package contained Mrs. Anderson's party slippers and she was to take them to the cobblers to have the heels repaired.

The package Mrs. Anderson put in a safe place and went about the business of disposing of rummage for the good of the order. Presently business slackened off and Mrs. Anderson bethought herself of her errand to the cobblers. She went to get the package. It was gone!

Worried, Mrs. Anderson asked one of the other ladies if she had seen the package. "You mean the one that was over there?" the lady inquired. "Oh, yes, I unwrapped it. Such a nice pair of shoes for a rummage sale! I sold them right away and for twenty-five cents, too."

We wrote the other day that the fruit of the Oregon Grape is not a grape and not edible. It may not be a grape, but it is edible. Ben Titus of the highway department travel bureau informs us. The juice of the berries when well diluted with apple juice makes the finest jelly you ever had. Ben says. We don't know whether he's willing to divulge the recipe.

OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES: You rarely find the Fourth Estate listed in the court of probate; most reporters, before they're dead, are nearly always in the red.

MARITIME NOTE: The Wheatland Ferry is back at her berth and reports only frantic zig-zagging kept her from being torpedoed on her last patrol. "We had such a close shave," the commander told reporters, "that none of the crew will be worth a darn for the Salem Centennial."

Buchalter Handed Second Hard Jolt

NEW YORK, April 5.—(AP)—Louis "Lepke" Buchalter, a young-old man of 43, whose career symbolized and paralleled the rise and fall of American industrial gangsterism, today drew another in a series of sentences almost certain to mean that he will never be a free man in his life. Already under a 14-year federal term for heading \$10,000,000-a-year narcotics syndicate—a sideline to his older vocation as a racketeer—he was sentenced in state court to from 30 years to life in Sing Sing for extortion in the bakery and trucking industries. This penalty will become operative only after Leavenworth has done with him.

Willkie Company Under SEC Probe

WASHINGTON, April 5.—(AP)—A big unit in the utilities system headed by Wendell L. Willkie, was reported today to be undergoing a securities commission investigation as Willkie sometimes mentioned as a "dark horse" republican presidential possibility, accused the government of "smearing" business. Word passed here that the SEC was investigating financial statements filed with it during several years by the Georgia Power company, \$280,000,000 unit in the \$1,200,000,000 commonwealth and southern utilities system. Meanwhile, President Roosevelt entered the controversy between Willkie and administration officials. Asked at a press conference what he thought of a statement by Willkie yesterday that government officials had threatened to "get" him, the president said of course anybody takes things like that seriously.

School Boundary Change not Made

The boundary between Brush Creek and Evergreen school districts near Silverton will not be altered, the district boundary board decided yesterday. New protests from the Evergreen district were received before the meeting. The consolidation of Mountain View, Davis, Hull and Porter districts was affirmed in a canvass of the vote by the board.

McNary Lauds Vandenberg Farmer Friend

Capper Also Told in Nebraska Record Mentioned

WASHINGTON, April 5.—(AP)—Two senators, Capper of Kansas and McNary of Oregon, endorsed Senator Vandenberg (R. Mich.) as a friend of agriculture today as the W. A. R. forces launched a last-minute drive for votes in the Nebraska presidential preference primary next Tuesday.

The Michigan senator will be on the ballot with Thomas E. Dewey, New York district attorney, to whom he lost all of Wisconsin's 24 republican delegates in a contest last Tuesday. Vandenberg's friends made no secret of the fact that the possible influence of the Wisconsin results on other states had caused them to step up the tempo of their Nebraska campaign.

In messages similar in phraseology, McNary, the senate's republican leader, and Capper said they felt that the American farmer would be "safe" with Vandenberg. McNary, a predominantly agricultural state, will send 14 delegates to the national convention, morally but not technically bound to support the winner of the preference primary.

Dies Would Carry Case to Country

Arrest of two Agents for Alleged Violation of Rights Is Ordered

WASHINGTON, April 5.—(AP)—Chairman Dies (D-Tex.) of the House committee on Un-American Activities, two of whose agents were ordered arrested today because of their raid on Philadelphia communist headquarters, appealed to "the people of this country tonight to decide whether his anti-communist drive is right." Federal District Judge George A. Walsh of Philadelphia ordered the issuance of warrants for Agents George F. Hurlie and Chester Howe after Carl Reeve, communist candidate for the United States senate, complained that his civil rights were violated in the raid. Dies said he was refused his right to summon a lawyer.

Mauretania Upon High Seas Again

HONOLULU, April 5.—(AP)—Clocked in wartime secrecy, Great Britain's Light Cruiser Mauretania turned her prow into the high seas again today after a brief stop here for supplies on a voyage believed destined for Australia and troop transport service. Captain Ernest Edkin, who talked freely about his voyage from New York but was silent as to his ship's destination, said he was sailing under sealed orders. Those orders are known only to himself, nine navigating officers and officials of the British admiralty, he added.

Scout Exposition Attracts Attention; new Chief Here

Craft was the word for the Boy Scout merit badge exposition at St. Joseph's hall last night, and continuing through two shows today. Twenty four troops of the Cascade area council were entered in 30 booths, each covering a single field of scout work. Fingerprints were taken by boys from the deaf school troop, ciphers were making ornate wood work on laches, one group took pictures of the exhibits, and signal flags were waving all over the place. Arriving in Salem yesterday to assume his duties as executive of the area was Ronald R. Ruddick, for the past eight years executive of the inland Empire council at Spokane. A telegram giving best wishes was received from J. E. Monroe, who recently left the executive position here to

Blossoms to Be Prime For Cherrian Orchard Tours Here on Sunday

Iron Hill Orchards and High Vantage Point Are Added to Marion County Route; Blossom Week to Close With Cherrian Dance

Salem and the Cherrians will play hosts to thousands of Oregon visitors Sunday, annual Blossom day and beginning of Blossom week. The route mapped by the Cherrians for this year's event, the 28th Blossom day, was selected as the best to show spring blooms as they will be at their best. It includes the tulip and cherry blossom district south of Salem and the prune orchards south to the old Fairbury district, varied this year with a turn past the Iron Hill orchards and Prospect school.

Byrd Expedition Support Sought

Accomplishments of Party Detailed by Officials; FDR Prods Solons

WASHINGTON, April 5.—(AP)—President Roosevelt prodded congress today to make another appropriation for the government's Antarctic expedition by suggesting that 50 men now in Antarctica might have to remain there unless further funds were voted. Mr. Roosevelt's observation was made at a press conference at which he announced that Rear Admiral Richard F. Byrd, the expedition's leader, reported that the first year's mission had been carried out satisfactorily. Congress originally appropriated \$350,000 for the expedition. When the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1 was presented, it included a request for an additional \$250,000.

Industrial Power Rate Cuts Listed

27 Large Users Will Save \$106,000 Annually, Companies Aver

Olds Is Second, Extempore Test

Willamette university came near to a second straight victory in the extempore speaking contest of the Pacific Forensic league at Corvallis last night, when Glenn Olds, sophomore, won second place. William Thomas won the competition last year. Olds, who spoke on "A Great Novel Written in the Last Two Years," developing "Grapes of Wrath," was tied in total points with Carter Ide of Pomona college, but the California speaker had received more firsts. The finals in after dinner speaking will be tonight and Williamette will be represented by Thomas, winner of many contests on the circuit, and three years of college competition. Other schools entered at the tournament are University of Southern California, University of Washington, College of the Pacific and Oregon State college.

First Quarter Tax Total Sets Record, Multnomah

PORTLAND, April 5.—(AP)—First quarter tax collections in Multnomah county zoomed upward to \$12,817,111 today, the highest in several years. Sheriff Martin T. Pratt said the revenue was 71.75 per cent of the current \$17,948,332 roll, compared with 67 per cent a year ago.

Boy Breaks Arm; Two Fire Trucks Answer Aid Call

Five year old Earl Akers got plenty of attention when his arm was broken while scuffling with an older brother yesterday afternoon. Two fire trucks and the first aid car went to 2204 Simpson street to see what the trouble was. Earl's mother, Mrs. Ursula E. Akers, called the fire alarm number in trying to get the first aid car. A truck from the central station and another from the east Salem station answered the call. Both boys in Earl's left arm were broken, first aid men found and applied emergency aid. Fire Chief Harry Hutton pointed out that persons wishing first aid attention should call 5445 or east Salem station, 4635. Mary Lou Samwell, 845 Hood street, was treated for a lacerated cheek and lip.

Federal Land Bank Policies Hotly Debated

Totalitarian System Is Seen by Spokesman of Banker Group

WASHINGTON, April 5.—(AP)—An American Bankers' association spokesman described pending legislation to revamp the government's farm credit system as "the most serious threat that has yet been offered to the credit structure of the nation." A. L. M. Wiggins, Hartsville, S.C., chairman of the ABA federal legislative committee, made the statement during hearings before the house agriculture committee and added:

"It is an interesting fact that all totalitarian economic systems in the world today under the control of dictators have used such devices as this bill proposes to enable them to take over the agricultural system and eventually all types of private enterprises." Personal Liberty Abolition Opposed. Wiggins said these three features of the bill led him to criticize it so strongly: 1. Substitution of the guarantee of government in place of the collateral underlying the bonds of the land bank system. 2. Destruction of the integrity (Turn to page 3, col. 1)

Big Gain Listed, State Income Tax

Payments 29 Per Cent Over Those of 1938; 19,305 More Returns Filed

An increase of 29.5 per cent in state income tax returns filed this year over the amount of 1938 was reported in the same period. In 1938 was shown in a preliminary analysis made by the state tax commission yesterday. Total assessments on 1939 incomes are \$4,858,788 as compared with \$3,751,212 for 1938. Actual collections to April 4, 1940, were \$4,477,440 as compared with \$2,680,179 for the same period in 1939 and \$2,887,667 in 1938. The number of taxable returns filed showed an increase of 19,305 or 25.6 per cent. Second installments due the first of next October are \$1,391,325. At this time last year unpaid installments were \$1,071,023.

Quotas Upon Nut Imports Favored

WASHINGTON, April 5.—(AP)—The agriculture adjustment administration notified Senator McNary (R., Ore.) it would consider proposals of the North Pacific Nut Growers association that quotas be placed on the foreign nuts because of the loss of the English market due to the war. "We are aware of the possible danger to the domestic nut industry," an agriculture official wrote McNary, "which might result from dumping brazil nuts on this market."

Late Sports

CHICAGO, April 5.—(AP)—Eleventh-seeded Tom Kelley, of Portland, Ore., sprang a major upset in the western indoor tennis tournament tonight when he eliminated Chicago's top-seeded Bobby Riggs, national indoor champion and No. 1 amateur of the nation. Riggs fell by scores of 6-1, 6-4 in a quarter-final test. PORTLAND, Ore., April 5.—(AP)—Grant high school captured the first Portland interscholastic track meet of the season today with 25 points. Washington high won a "B" division meet with 23. EUGENE, Ore., April 5.—(AP)—University of Oregon freshman romped to a 14-4 baseball victory over Grant high of Portland today. SAN FRANCISCO, April 5.—(AP)—Gunnar Berndt, Finnish heavy-weight contender scored a knockout over Sonny Boy Walker, Phoenix, Ariz., in the eighth round of a scheduled 10-round fight here tonight. VANCOUVER, B. C., April 5.—(AP)—Vancover Lions failed to hold the powerful Chicago Blackhawks of the National Hockey League here tonight as the latter came through with a 4-2 victory to mark up their first win in a four-game exhibition series with the champions of the Pacific Coast league. Lions won the first two games and the fourth is slated Monday.

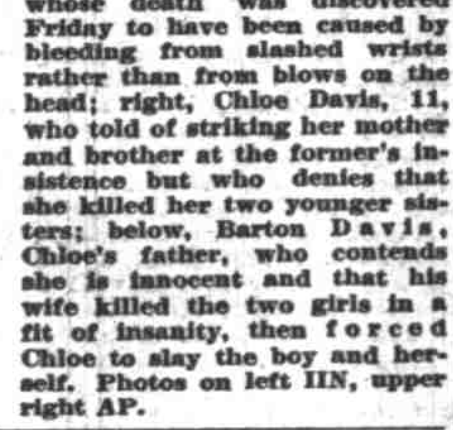
Trade Agreement Bill Goes to White House

Bizarre Quadruple Slaying Still Mystery; Father Believes Story



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Garner Bested, Skirmish With Roosevelt Upon Tariff Question

By JOHN W. HENDERSON WASHINGTON, April 5.—(AP)—The senate, by a vote of 42 to 37, passed a three-year extension of the trade agreements program today thereby giving President Roosevelt a major victory over Vice President Garner who had striven to limit the bill to one year. The senate's action sent the key administration legislation to the White House, the house having previously approved an identical measure. Besides being a triumph for the president in what had been heralded as perhaps the congressional session's biggest test, the result also elected Secretary of State Hull, because the program of reducing tariffs and other trade barriers in return for concessions from other nations is the cornerstone of his foreign policy. Some considered that the result might enhance his chance for the democratic presidential nomination, although others thought that the sharp division of opinion within the democratic party on the trade issue might have the opposite effect. Every Republican Present Votes "No" Hull said: "The passage through congress of the act containing the trade agreements program in force for the next three years will afford profound satisfaction to all those who have been observing and appraising the operation of the program from the standpoint of our best national interests." On the final roll call all republicans present voted against continuation of the program and were joined by 15 democrats, mostly from the west. The Garner-Roosevelt skirmish, resulting in a 46-to-34 administration victory, came on an amendment offered by Senator Walsh (D-Mass) to limit extension of the program to only one year. Fourteen democrats and twenty republicans voted for the proposal while forty-three democrats were joined by Senator Danaher (R-Iowa) to limit extension to only one year. (Turn to Page 10, Col. 6)

Lumber Shipment Aiding Railroads

PORTLAND, Ore., April 5.—(AP)—Lumber shipments from the Pacific northwest are bolstering railroad incomes, Henry A. Scandrett, trustee of the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific railroad, said here today. "These increased eastern rail movements of lumber and pulp are due to some extent to the fact that the shippers are unable to get space on the steamers that operate through the Panama canal between the west and east coast," Scandrett said. "The fact that eastern companies are unable to get their pulp supplies from Europe has caused this business to go up here."

Release of Three Is IWLU Demand

NORTH BEND, Ore., April 5.—(AP)—Freedom for three California labor prisoners was demanded today by delegates to the International Warehousemen's and Longshoremen's convention here. Although no resolution was adopted, delegates indicated it would be pushed. They asserted the trio was "framed" in the slaying of an officer aboard the steamer Point Lobos two years ago. The Portland local No. 125 of the Maritime Office Employees' union asked to surrender its charter. Members said they would back the ILWU "spiritually but not actively." San Pedro and Stockton, Calif., bid for the 1941 convention. Ray Gill, Oregon grange master, is scheduled to discuss Tuesday the grange's views of a CIO farm labor union drive to put farm produce on a union basis.

Centennial Has No Slogan Yet; \$5 up for Best

The Salem Centennial hasn't a slogan yet. Because of the dearth of suggestions offered thus far, five dollars await the person who submits the snappiest, most appropriate slogan for the five-day celebration to start July 31. All entries must be postmarked no later than midnight Wednesday, April 19. The rules state that the slogan must contain not more than five words and must express the spirit of the Salem Centennial, representing 150 years of progress, a maximum of 100 suggestions may be submitted by one contestant. Entries are to be sent to Publicity Committee, Salem Centennial, 909 State Library building, Salem. Tons of Hail at Heppner HEPPNER, April 5.—(AP)—Tons of hail on a narrow county lane yesterday during a violent electrical storm which dropped 35 of an inch of moisture in 30 minutes.

British Go to Steeplechase While top Nazis See Movie

(By The Associated Press) New blockade steps to "choke Germany more and more" were promised Friday night by Britain and France, while signs pointed to the next theatre of action by the allied leaders of the economic war against the reich. The allied decision to step up the campaign of strangulation against the nazis was disclosed in a brief comment by the French minister of blockade, Georges Monnet, after a conference in London with Britain's economic warfare chief, Ronald Cross. Monnet also said: "We are very satisfied with the result of the measures taken up to the present." The principal military news yesterday (Friday) was a day old. The British air ministry reported that British bombers on Thursday scattered four German destroyers and another warship with bombs in a raid on the Nazi naval base at Wilhelmshaven. On the western front, the French reported the capture of a German officer commanding a sharp raid against a French outpost. The German high command said yesterday about 15 French soldiers were killed by Nazi shock troops in a raid near Saarbrücken. So calm was the war that the 103rd grand national steeplechase at Alintree, England, captured the lion's share of English interest. The race was won by Bogskar, a long shot. German bigwigs, topped by Field Marshal Goering and Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, went to the movies—a sensational motion picture account of the German aerial conquest of Poland. Also present at the Berlin show were United States and other foreign diplomats and military attaches. In Washington the state department moved to break a two-year impasse by proposing to Mexico arbitration of the controversy over Mexican appropriation of American Oil properties. From Mexico City came a statement by a government official that "many questions other than the right to appropriate might be laid themselves" to the Hall proposal to arbitrate. It was emphasized that Mexico would stand on her contention that her right to take the properties cannot be arbitrated. (Turn to Page 3, Col. 5)