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Weather: Partly cloudy today and Saturday, showers. Max. temp. Thursday 56, min. 47. Southeast wind, max. 46 m.p.h. Rain .27 inch. River -6 feet.

PWA to Investigate Crash of Narrows Span

Japan Expects United States To Be Warlike

Italians Intensify Push in Two Sectors, Make Definite Headway

Greeks Admit Retreat in Coast Sector, Think Defense to Hold

TOKYO, Nov. 7 (AP)—(AP)—The United States, both in politics and in armament, will try something in the next few months which will make the world sit up and take notice, the Tokyo newspaper Asahi declared today.

(The Japanese wireless, quoting the Tokyo newspaper Nichi Nichi in a broadcast heard in New York by NBC, went even further, asserting the opinion that "we shall have to conclude that his (Roosevelt's) administration will continue to intensify its present policy and eventually drag America into war.")

Asahi called on the Japanese government to prepare for any American move, declaring "having spent much of her resources in the past three years (of war in China) Japan cannot complete the task of reconstruction in East Asia with mere verbal bravado and wishful thinking against a United States bent on national aggrandizement."

(By The Associated Press) The Italian invaders of Greece put new force into their blows Thursday, hammering away on two rugged fronts—the Epirus area near the Ionian coast and 100 miles farther north in the Phlorina sector.

The Epirus drive gathered speed after the Italians declared they had achieved a notable wartime feat by bridging the turbulent Kalamas river.

This thrust and the one toward Phlorina appeared to be twin efforts to divert Greek pressure from Koriza, fascist base undergoing a merciless pounding from artillery established at the head of a Greek salient into Albania.

Ioannina (Janina), Greek industrial town 30 miles from the Albanian frontier, also was an objective of the Epirus campaign.

Greeks Retreat but Remain Confident The Greeks said merely that they had made a "slight" retreat near the coast and had come in contact with the main body of the invaders at some points.

In the battle for Britain, the German scatter-gun fire and explosive bombs over London in their regular nightly air assaults, Berlin declared the aerial siege would be matched soon by an even fiercer counter-blockade of Britain by the German navy.

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Zurcher, Neuberger, Adams Elected in Late Reversals PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 7 (AP)—Final results in Oregon tonight gave President Roosevelt the state's five electoral votes with a 56,854 vote margin over Wendell Willkie.

The home state of Charles L. McNary, republican vice presidential candidate, gave Roosevelt a total vote of 158,263. Willkie polled 231,609.

Only one remote precinct in the mountain area of eastern Oregon had failed to report. The state's other 1893 precincts were in with the heaviest vote on record.

In One Ear ..

Rainy Day Items: Can't help but wonder about the longevity of campaign pictures, especially republican ones.



Some automobiles now have automatic signalling devices which indicate which way the driver is going to turn. What the country really needs is a similar device for women's umbrellas.

Pitter Patter—Rain on the river makes the Willamette look slippish and treacherous.

Council to Study Airport Proposal

Special Meeting Set for Tonight; Improvement Estimate Prepared

A special meeting of the city council to discuss further the possibility of federal improvement of the Salem airport as a defense measure will be called tonight by Mayor W. W. Chadwick.

Mayor Chadwick said last night he would call the meeting if a majority of the council members petitioned him to do so.

J. H. Keffe, civil aeronautics board engineer, has been working on an estimate for possible \$200,000 improvement of the airport since last Monday's council meeting when the council voted to cooperate with the CAB.

Keffe has informed Chairman Lloyd Rigdon of the council airport committee that it may be necessary for the city to acquire 70 acres of additional land and discussion of this matter will probably be a chief item before the council tonight.

Estimates on cost of field improvement must be in army hands in Washington, DC, before November 23, which accounts for the necessity of a special council meeting.

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Hard Problems Facing Resident After Election

Willkie Takes Michigan, Crowding 22 Million in Popular Vote

Higher Taxes, Boosting Debt Limit, Defense Speed-up Issues

By RICHARD L. TURNER WASHINGTON, Nov. 7 (AP)—Facing the big question of higher taxes, an increase in the national debt limit and the whole broad subject of defense and assistance to Great Britain, President Roosevelt returned to the capital today, received a roaring welcome from Washingtonians and engaged in a long series of conferences.

He talked with the defense commission, with Arthur H. Purvis, British purchasing agent, received a letter of resignation from Secretary Ickes—tendered to give the president a free hand if he wishes to reshape his cabinet—and found himself at once facing a fight on the question of the debt limitation.

Secretary Morgenthau, saying that "we've just begun to rearm," announced that the treasury would request that the statutory restriction upon the size of the debt be raised from \$49,000,000 to \$60,000,000,000.

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First Snow Falls On Santiam Pass

Seven Inches Reported at Summit; Road Will Be Open All Winter

The season's first snow in Marion county was reported yesterday by the radio department of the state highway commission, which told of a seven-inch snowfall at the summit of the North Santiam pass with more falling yesterday.

The snow extends for roughly nine miles down on the North Santiam highway west of the divide. It was reported, with rain being substituted in the lower altitudes.

Under an agreement between the federal bureau of public roads, the state highway commission and the Marion county court, the Santiam road is being kept open during the winter season, and motorists were assured that the present snowfall would not hinder travel over the pass.

A maximum wind velocity of 34 miles per hour yesterday slanted .57 inch of rain on Salem and vicinity bringing the river up to within 6 foot of normal, weather officials reported.

The rain and overhanging clouds, though, kept the temperature above 47 degrees Fahrenheit with a peak of 56 degrees.

Many small "rivers" ran in Salem streets and water gathered in low spots and with occasional rains forecast for today and tomorrow no definite letup was seen.

Fee Enjoins Firm On Labor Violation PORTLAND, Nov. 7 (AP)—Federal Judge James Alger Fee issued an injunction today ordering the Lebanon Lumber company to cease violation of the fair labor standards act.

The company, which was accused of failing to pay overtime wages, agreed to give \$700 in back wages to employees. It was the third such action brought here by wage and hour officials.

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Armistice Day Closing Urged By Legion Men

But They Do not Concur in Compulsion Move, Officers Declare

Special Need to Observe Patriotic Holiday now Is Cited

Officers of Capital post No. 9, American Legion, sponsors of Salem's Armistice day celebrations, last night issued a statement urging local merchants to close their shops on Monday but taking a stand against the use of any form of compulsion in bringing the closing about.

The Legion statement followed issuance of a manifesto by the Federation of Patriotic Orders, of Salem, Wednesday night in which it was declared the federation proposed "that Salem either observe Armistice day in the true traditional spirit . . . or else."

The Salem Merchants association through Dan Hay, executive secretary, gave out a countering statement yesterday, saying it "understands Americanism and democracy, thinks there is no place for this 'or else' business."

The association advised the merchants to remain open on Monday, explaining that Portland stores were not closing for the day.

Present and Past Commanders Speak Commander Ray J. Stumbo of Capital post No. 9 and A. M. Johnson, immediate past commander, issued the Legion statement following a meeting of the post's Armistice celebration commission, consisting of Carl Gabrielson and Tom Hill, with other post members.

The group met later with President Herman Lafky and other representatives of the Federation of Patriotic Orders.

"The Legion does not concur in the federation's statement," Stumbo declared. "We weren't even invited to the meeting."

The Legion statement read as follows: "Armistice day came into existence as the closing day of the first World war and as such was designated as a day for rejoicing (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

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'Galloping Gertie' Fate Is Puzzle to Engineers

San Luis Rey Tragedy Is Almost Paralleled

Weaving, Buckling Motion Noticed Soon After Its Completion but Explained Away; Designers and Consultants Aghast, Lack Answer

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 7 (AP)—In jest, they called it "the Bridge of San Luis Rey" and tonight two gothic towers, sticking aloft like grotesque arms, bore mute testimony to how close the cognomen came to being true.

A lot of nicknames were hung on the Tacoma Narrows bridge after the \$6,400,000 structure opened last July and commuters found it had a rocking rhythm.

A few who recalled Thornton Wilder's novel of the Peruvian bridge—the Bridge of San Luis Rey—called it that.

Today the ribbon of concrete and steel collapsed, but the few persons that were on it when it began twisting like a live thing tried to disintegrate scrambled ashore, robbing "the Bridge of San Luis Rey" of its tragic Wilder ending.

Some called it "Galloping Gertie." Others referred to "taking a roller coaster ride" when they crossed.

The nicknames started soon after the bridge opened and persons, crossing the structure on a windy day, reported feeling wavelike motions. Engineers went to work to correct the bounce. They tried clamping it down with cables sunk in tons of concrete.

Still it bucked. Crossing at Tacoma, Nov. 7 (AP)—The new \$6,400,000 Tacoma Narrows bridge, world's third largest suspended span, swayed and cracked in winds of near gale force today and then in sections fell with a terrific roar into Puget Sound.

No lives were lost, but one automobile and a logging truck plunged into the water along with big chunks of concrete, guy wires and cables.

Only the two 425-foot high steel towers which supported the 2,300-foot suspension span withstood the forces which reduced the rest of the bridge to ruins.

Leonard Coalworth, driver of the automobile, abandoned his car 500 yards from one end of the bridge and crawled off the crumbling mass on his hands and knees.

Two other persons were on the bridge bearing Coalworth. Arthur Hagen said he had just driven onto the bridge from the west end when it began to sway. Riding with him was his partner in a transit concern, Mrs. Rudy Jacox.

Hagen said he slammed on the brakes and the two jumped from the truck and alternately crawled and ran to a tower to be helped ashore by workmen. Mrs. Jacox suffered shock and Hagen was taken to a hospital and treated for bruises and scratches.

The coast guard cutter Albatross reported a piece of the crumbling bridge hit the ship as it passed beneath the structure.

Lieut. W. C. Hogan, officer in charge, said "We saw the roadbed above us twisting and turning and pieces of it had begun to tear and chip off. A small piece hit the deck but did no damage."

First Girders Are Possible Cause C. E. Andrew, chief engineer of the bridge, said the collapse probably was due to the fact that flat, solid girders were used on the sides of the bridge, offering resistance to the wind. He said original plans called for open trusses but that plans were changed by another engineer. He said that as far as he knew the bridge, fully insured, would be rebuilt.

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Martin and Burk Elections Are Affirmed and Conceded

Hannah Martin was officially declared the victor yesterday for the office of city recorder at the end of one of the closest, hardest fought campaigns in Salem city political history.

At the same time Sheriff A. C. Burk's 219-vote majority in his race for reelection against Earl Stelwer, Jefferson farmer, was declared official.

The canvass was completed in record time by the county clerk's staff because of the warm interest in the recorder and sheriff contests. As other races were not in doubt, the remainder of the canvass was not to be finished through County Clerk U. G. Boyer said.

Mrs. Martin defeated opponent A. Warren Jones, recorder for six years, publicly congratulated her in a statement which said his "interest in the welfare and development of the city will not diminish."

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