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# US Navy Denies Greer Started Sea Fight

## Saturday Record

#### Largest Saturday **Packs** Grounds

Lights burned in the state fair midway until 2 o'clock this morning as remnants of a crowd unofficially declared largest Saturday attendance in the big show's history milled among concessions.

A total of, 22,398 persons paid admissions throughout the day, with a large share remaining for the night attractions. Thousands of children, admitted free, swelled the crowd.

Saturday's gate, larger by 4852 than that of the last Saturday of 1940's fair, generally considered large, brought attendance for the week to within 1200 of the record set for the first six days of the 1940 fair.

Announcement of a 25-cent admission charge and a full program of entertainment for today are expected to bring the Sunday attendance above the 10,450 recorded last year.

Crowds turned away from the night show "Funzapoppin" Saturday night after even standing room had been taken will have an opportunity to performance tonight, for the entire show has been held over.

Heavy rains, which cut attendance early in the week, were credited by exhibitors with holding up quality of perishable exhibits. and flowers and vegetables, although not garden fresh, remain attractive.

Although there will be no pari mutuel wagering, exhibition harernoon on Lone Oak track.

Pari mutuel ticket sellers handled \$138,528 during the week of racing, compared with \$116,664 last year. Saturday's total of \$35,998, larger by \$9684 than that of Saturday of the 1940 fair, set a new daily high for the track and completed a new seasonal high.

Fraternal organizations gathering at the fairgrounds today will find the usual free circus-type shows and complete exhibits. In addition, they will provide considerable of their own entertainment, with a fraternal picnic scheduled, a drill team competition and a program at which Secretary of State Earl Snell is billed as principal speaker.

Editors, honored Saturday, were taken on a tour of the grounds arranged by George Angell, editor of the Oregon Farmer, and Lee U. Eyerly.

As guests of Governor Charles A. Sprague they were enter-(Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

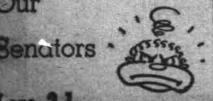
#### Farm Leaders Will Convene At Salt Lake

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 6 .- (AP) -Farm leaders and government experts from 10 western states will gather here Sept: 15 and 16 to discuss war-time price increases and the prevention of harmful after-effects resulting from necsary reductions after the cur-

rent emergency. Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard and mem-bers of his staff from Washing-ton, DC, will be speakers. The ference is one of four sponsored throughout the nation in September by the department

Attending will be representaives of departmental agencies, tate defense board members and organization officials from tah, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, rado, Nevada, Washington, regon, California New Mexico

Senators



## Fair Sets Outstanding 4H Boys and Girls Selected Germans Claim Sub Capacity Throng Sees Final Horse Show Answer in Air Talk

#### Crowd in History Four Oregon Young People Take Awards

#### Salem Girl Sets Mark In Complete Projects; Others Equally Good

Outstanding 4H club boys and girls at the 80th Oregon state fair closing today, named Saturday, are Coralee Nichols of Salem, Virginia Burkhart and Robert Marsh, jr., of Albany and Bert Denham of Eu-

Selection was based on size of projects and volume of 4H club work including exhibits and activities at fairs, leadership and all-round 4H activities, according to H. C. Seymour, state leader. Miss Nichols, 16 years old, has

#### Program

Sunday, September 6 FRATERNAL DAY

6:00 a.m.-Gates open. 10:30 a.m.-Fraternal picnic. 11:00 a.m.—Free circus, stadium plaza.

I:00-Fraternal parade. 1:30 p.m.—Fraternal program and drill team competition; Earl Snell, main speaker.

1:36 p.m.—Exhibition harness races and circus acts, race frack. 7:00 pm.-Free circus, stadium 8:00 p.m.—"Funzapoppin," grand-

had eight years of club work, having this year carried and compleness races are slated for this aft- ted projects in clothing, cooking, canning, room improvement and (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

#### Call for New Harvest Help

Portland Rushes Aid; Situation Improved Though Unsteady

With sorely needed help already arriving from Portland and with clear skies expected today, Salem people were urged Saturday to again "come through" and work in bean, fruit and hop harvests of the Willamette valley, by William H. Baillie, manager of the Salem employment office.

The crops situation is "much improved," Baillie stated, but still serious. Hope was expressed this weekend might relieve the pressure caused by the shortage of pickers.

Salem Cherrians are to be out in uniform today, Baillie announced, to act as escorts and guides for persons wishing to go out and pick. The employment office, at Cottage and Ferry streets, with telephone number 9287, is to be open all day to furnish names and locations of growers needing help.

A big response has been given to calls for aid in picking hops, Baillie said. Pickers of pears and prunes are also urgently needed.

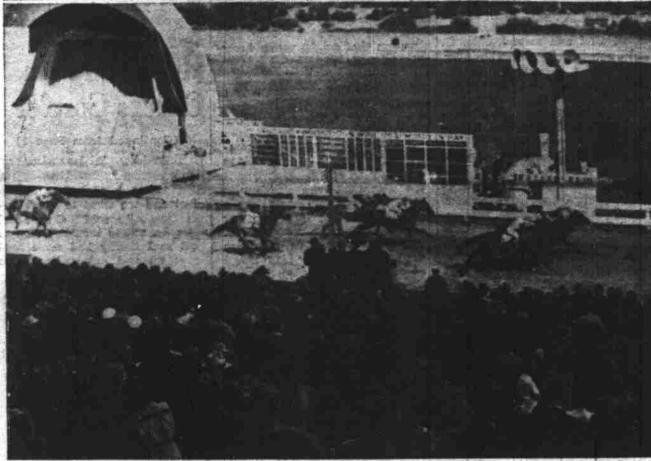
PORTLAND, Sept. 6-(A)-The state employment service reported Saturday that Oregon's critical harvesters' shortage was "somewhat eased" but large portions of some crops still would be lost (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

#### NYA to Aid 2060 **Oregon Students**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6 .- (A)-Approximately 450,000 students in all sections of the United States will be helped to continue their educational careers in the academic year just beginning, the National Youth Administration announced Saturday.
In Oregon, the NYA will aid

#### Winners at Oregon's Greatest Fair





Above are boys and girls adjudged "outstanding 4H club members at the 80th Oregon state fair." Reading left to right, they are Coralee Nichols, 16, Salem; Virginia Burkhart, 17, Albany; Bert Denham, 17, Lane county, and Robert Marsh, jr., 18, Albany. Below—a typical race and a typical crowd at Lone Oak track during the week at the state fairgrounds.

#### \$100 Sought By USO for Fort Lewis

"One hundred dollars given before Thursday will mean comfortable and much-needed clubroom furniture for our boys at Fort Lewis before next Sunday,' declared Dr. Henry C. Morris, chairman of the United Hospitality association, Saturday night. Heavy army trucks slated to go through Salem on either

Thursday or Friday will pick up whatever Salem folk have ready to send in the way of furniture, Dr. Morris said he had been noti-More than \$100 was raised by

benefit ball game to provide similar accommodations for Salem men at Fort Stevens, Morris pointed out, emphasizing that Fort Lewis men have been promised "something from home." Contributions can be made

through him or other members of

the association, Morris declared.

#### On Willamette Use of Force Willamette river log rafting

set a new record last month. Salem firm doubles its log output this month, Read an expert's summary of valley loging on today's Statesman feature page, section 2, page 6.

#### Coast Blonde Wins Annual **Beauty Prize**

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ, Sept. 6 (P)-The crown of Miss America of 1941 was placed Saturday night on the pretty blonde locks of Miss California, Rosemary La Planche, 19, hazel-eyed Los Angeles resident and a runnerup in last year's Atlantic City beauty

She broke into tears as the award, goal of attractive girls from coast to coast for many months, was made in Convention hall as the climax of a (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

### Logging Booms Willkie Asks On Sea Lanes

NEW YORK, Sept. 6-(AP)-Wendell L. Willkie Saturday called on the United States to use "determination and force" to meet Germany's challenge to its policy of freedom of the seas.

Speaking on a CBS radio program celebrating the 18th birthday of the exiled King Peter of Yugoslavia, the 1940 republican presidential nominee declared "once again, savage and bestial might has challenged the right of America to freedom of the seas."

"I know I speak the overwhelming sentiment of my fellow Americans in urging the president to meet the challenge with determination and fore," Willkie said. "I hope, and I know you hope, that the presi-dent of the United States serves notice on nazi Germany that the United States expects its ships to go unmolested in their passage across the North Atlantic and those interfering with them (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

#### Rivalry Keen For Numerous Stake Prizes

Equines Are Shown

By MAXINE BUREN

Guard, Salem riding posse, appeared again in the final night's horse show Saturday at the Oregon state fairgrounds, before the biggest audience of the week. Their drill drew unstinted applause.

Prizes were awarded in several classes where stakes were given on accumulated winnings for the week.

In the first event, "touch and go," horses are eliminated on touching the jump. Hebe, owned by Mrs. Harry Kerron and ridden by Don Dryer took blue ribbon, while Ne Touche owned by the Portland riding academy and ridden by Helen Bacon jumped to second place. Marijane Churchill, owned by Ryta Esh and ridden by Erroll Ostrum took third.

Lady Vagabond, Roy Simby, and Georgia Dale's gelding, Shamrock, ridden by Raymond Harrison were judged best of the three gaited pairs, Rey Vancendor, owned and ridden by E. S. Duniway, and Tarsan, owned and ridden by Gale (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

#### Russ Mission Chiefs Confer

Visit Air General at Spokane; Party Will Fly in US Bombers

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 6-(AP)-Leaving as unexpectedly as they arrived, five members of a Russion aviation mission returned late Saturday afternoon to Seattle aboard a commercial plane after an all-day conference with Brig. Gen. John B. Brooks, acting commander of the Second air

The men were leaders of a group of 47 who flew to Scattle from Nome, Alaska, earlier in the week. The entire party was not expected to reach Spokane until Monday, flying in chartered commercial planes.

The United Air Lines office here reported Saturday the charters had been cancelled and the party would fly in army ships. Whether the scheduled Monday stop here has been cancelled or the mission would fly directly to the national capital could not be learned.

Heading the advance party was Brig. Gen. Michael M. Gromov, famous for his flight over the north pole from Russia to California.

With him were Anton N. Fedetov, attache of the Russian embassy in Washington, who joined the mission at Nome, Alaska; (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

On the Air For Defense

W. J. Hunt, Woodburn area chairman of civil defense, is to be guest speaker on the Marion county civil defense council's program Monday night at 9:15 o'elock over KSLM. He is scheduled to tell of activities for civil defense in his area.

# Attacked; FDR Will

## Axis Pact; Russians Assert Leningrad Drive Repulsed

The United States navy Saturday night bluntly disputed a German claim that the American destroyer Greer was Governor's Guard Has the aggressor in a clash with a nazi submarine off Iceland Applause; Many Good and reiterated that the U-boat made the initial attack on

> With German-American relations deteriorating to a more critical stage as a result of the seagoing incident, the

#### House to Okeh **Income Change**

Amendment Lowering Personal Exemptions Expected to Pass

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6-(AP)-Belief that the house would ac-George (D-Ga) of

finance committee. George said his information was that many members of the house ways and means committee had regarded the amendment favorably when the revenue bill was before them. "At that time," he added, "the treasury was not so strong for it."

recommended a broader income tax base and the senate approved an amendment cutting personal exemptions from \$2000 to \$1500 for married persons and from \$800 to \$750 for single persons. The treasury estimated the change would pour an extra \$303,000,000 into the federal till and require an additional 4,911,000 persons to file income tax returns.

The \$3,583,900,000 revenue measure, passed after three days of debate by the senate Friday, will be considered by a joint senate-house conference committee next Wednesday. George predicted that an agreement would be reached in two or three days.

George said the senate corporation profits and increasing

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6-(AP)-Unified command of the nation's military forces-land, sea and air in remote areas to simplify administration and eliminate "friction" was suggested by Senator Brewster (R-Me).

As a member of the special senate committee investigating the defense program, Brewster wrote a formal report to Chair-(Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

#### **Nazis Reveal Europe Plan**

BERLIN, Sept. 5-(AP)-Dr. Hans Keller, president of the Academy for the Rights of Peoples, in an article distributed by the German high command Saturday blasted away any hopes that "Germany after defeating her opponents" will "resurrect all those states which the storm of war has swept

The new order in Europe can only be a German order, he said.

where he was born 52 years ago.

# Japan Hedges on Mutual Aid

The popular Governor's navy department issued this statement in Washington:

"Notwithstanding German contentions appearing in today's press that the Greer was the aggressor in its action

#### with the submarine, the facts are the same as originally stated by the navy department - namely, that the initial attack in this engagement was made by the submarine on the Greer. It was then, and not until then, that the Greer counter-attacked."

In phrases of interest to Japan

had depth-bombed the submersi-

There was a possibility that

William D. Hassett, acting

presidential secretary, announc-

ed at Hyde Park that the presi-

dent would deliver a 15-minute

speech of "major significance"

at that time and that the speech

would be translated for re-

broadeast by shortwave

throughout the world.

under the axis pact, official Berlin earlier Saturday in its version of the affair, declared that the submarine aimed two torpedoes at the Greer only after the Greer

cept the senate's most important change in the revenue bill-an President Roosevelt would reply amendment lowering personal in- directly by radio at 6 p.m. Pacome tax exemptions-was ex- cific Standard Time Monday pressed Saturday by Chairman night from the White House.

Asked whether the speech was Later, President Roosevelt connected with the Greer's encounter with the German submarine, Hassett answered: "I can't DNB, official German news agency, distributed a nazi communique that a German U-boat 'was attacked" by the Greer about 200 miles southwest of Iceland. The U-boat loosed two torpedoes in reply two hours and nine minutes later, the agency

said, and then moved off under depth bomb pursuit. "Mr. Roosevelt, in this way." DNB said, "is trying by all means at his disposal to provoke incidents in order to incite the American people into war against Germany." Denunciation of President Roo-

changes likely to cause the most sioned little surprise in Washcontroversy were those knocking ington. Chairman Connally (Dout a special 10 per cent tax on Tex) of the senate foreign relations committee said "the fact surtaxes on corporation incomes. that the nazis admit a German submarine was involved amounts to an admission that it was act-

> The German communique declared President Roosevelt had, contrary to his published statements, issued "general orders to American destroyers not only to report positions of German ships and U-boats but, beyond that, to attack them."

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ernment in firing on our destroy-

Japan is pledged under the German-Italian-Japanese treaty of Berlin signed Sept. 27, 1940, to help the axis "with all political, economic and mili-tary means when one of the three contracting powers is attacked by a power at present not involved in the European war or in the Chinese-Japanese

The Greer incident was dismissed, however, by the Tokyo newspaper Hochi as "nothing but that a belligerent destroyer was attacked by a submarine in belligerent waters." The newspaper declared the United States gave up neutrality in the occu-

pation of Iceland. Vigorous counter-attacks were declared by the Russians to be in progress at the metropolitan objectives of three German drives, Leningrad, Odessa and Kiev, and the invaders were said to have been hurled from vital approach-(Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

### Wallace Seeks Demo Gubernatorial Nomination

"Rumors have arisen and

first of the year, he added.

By STEPHEN C. MERGLER

two developments in the 1942 election talk that has alternately murmured and chattered ever

Mulinomah county's equalization board against following the state tax commission's rul-ing for assessments on a uniform ratio basis and in favor of returning immediately to that county's old variable ratio me-

seem to persist suggesting that I may be a candidate for some office other than the governorship in the 1942 primary elec-Ten RAF Ships Downed
BERLIN, Sunday, Sept. 7-(P)—
Ten British planes were shot down Saturday night during the course of RAF raids on western Germany, authorized sources said today.

In the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have ship in the 1942 primary elections despite the fact that I have a dount ready to produce a care-fully-prepared statewide demand for Latourette to permit himself for Latourette of Portland, for whom a dount ready to produce a care-touries defined a "In the 1942 primary elections of the following and the s

nation as its candidate for gov-

Thus Wallace beat to the draw

After receiving his education, in law, he moved to Portland and entered the life insurance busi-National Committeeman Howard ness in 1914. He served in the Latourette of Portland, for whom Oregon house of representatives